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January 19, 2024

If you haven't purchased your tickets for our Annual Macaroni Dinner – there is still time – please purchase your tickets by Monday, January 22. It's a wonderful night of good food, family & friends!

Catholic Schools Week is quickly coming up. A list of activities to celebrate Catholic Schools Week is attached. We will begin by celebrating Mass on Sunday, January 28 at the 9:30 Mass. This will be followed by Open House from 11:00-1:00 – please share this information with your family and friends! Poster Contest entries are due by Wednesday, January 24.

As part of our Catholic Schools Week celebration, we will be holding a "Career Day". If any parent or grandparent is interested in participating, please send me an email and I will forward it to Ms. Giampietro who is coordinating the day!

Our Afterschool Activities for the Winter/Spring is attached.

We are looking to find out how many of our families are military families. Please let us know if you are in the military or a family member is in the military.

If you have a child getting ready for PreK or K – please request a packet prior to Open House. We want to ensure our current families have priority.

Re-registration forms were sent home. For planning and budgeting purposes, please return the forms prior or our **Open House on January 28.** Spots will not be held for students without re-registration deposits. Facts Grant & Aid has been set up for the 2024-25 school year. Please apply for Financial Aid early for the best chance of receiving aid.

Our Middle School Dance will be held on Friday, January 26 from 6:00-8:00. (See attached flyer)

Reminder – Aftercare Bills are due upon receipt.

***Yearbook Club will meet on Monday, January 22 ***

Our 8th graders will be confirmed on Thursday, March 7 at 6:00 PM in St. Mary's Church.

Congratulations to Violet Hughes (Grade 6) and Lorenzo Knight (Grade 8) our two students who will represent St. Mary's School in the Regional Spelling on Wednesday, January 31st at 4:00 PM.

Parents – if you have any photos from any of our events would you send them to the following email addresses. Thank you! (We missed Grade 1 – still working on it ③) Grade Pre K, please email: submit+1655111@edophotos.com

Grade K, please email: submit+1655116@edophotos.com

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Grade 1, please email: submit+1655130@edophotos.com

Grade 2, please email: submit+1655131@edophotos.com

Grade 3, please email: submit+1655132@edophotos.com

Grade 4, please email: submit+1655134@edophotos.com

Grade 5, please email: submit+1655135@edophotos.com

Grade 6, please email: submit+1655136@edophotos.com

Grade 7, please email: submit+1655137@edophotos.com

Grade 8, please email: submit+1655138@edophotos.com

Holidays, please email: submit+1655172@edophotos.com

Middle school fun, please email: submit+1655140@edophotos.com

Parades, please email: submit+1655141@edophotos.com

Sports, please email: submit+1655139@edophotos.com

Please see our Basketball Schedule for this weekend below:

Come Out and Support our Basketball teams this weekend if you can!

| Sat, Jan 20 | 10:00 | Boys Instructional | Immaculate (Blue) | vs St. Mary | @ | St. Mary |
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| | 10:00 | Boys Junior | St. Mary | vs Fr. Doyle | @ | Fr Doyle |
| | 11:00 | Boys Grammar | St Rose of Lima | vs St Mary | @ | St. Mary |
| | 12:00 | Girls Grammar D2 | St Augustine | vs St. Mary | @ | St. Mary |
| | 1:00 | Girls Instructional | St John | vs St Mary | @ | St Mary |
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| Sun, Jan 21 | 1:00 | Girls Grammar D1 | St Mary | vs Bishop McVinney | @ | RI School Deaf |
| | 1:00 | Boys Instructional | St Joseph | vs St. Mary | @ | Cole Middle |
| | 2:00 | Girls Instructional | St Mary | vs St Joseph | @ | St Raphael |
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Have a great weekend!

Ms. Lepore

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Yearbook Club: Grades 5 to 8 Mondays 2:30-3:30 Ms. Chelsea & Ms. Theriza Room 5 No Fee

Description: Snapchats don't last forever BUT Yearbooks do!!! Calling writers, photographers, and creative thinkers. Come join the Yearbook Club and have fun designing and creating this year's school Yearbook. You will work w/ Ms. Chelsea & Ms. Theriza to develop the layout and look of the school Yearbook, taking the photographs, writing the copy, working with the software programs to create the page layouts for the Yearbook. Meetings will be held each Monday, 2;30-3:30.

Club Dates: The FIRST Monday of each month 0(.1The Yearbook Club will meet only ONCE EACH MONTH)

After School Architecture Program: Grades 4-8Wednesdays2:30-3:30Room 7\$60.00Architect John A Simonetti AIA LEED Green Associate.Room 77

In this program students will learn about Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Urban design. Candidates will be instructed on how to create architectural drawings such as floor plans, sections, and elevations by using a variety of media. We will also be making models, collages, and practicing free hand drawings. The class will focus on STEM, and Green Building concepts. We will be designing an Urban Project that ties to the local community.

The program will be taught by Architect John A Simonetti AIA LEED Green Associate (**Mrs. Peluso will be the faculty member**)

Club Dates: Dates – Wednesday – Feb 7, 14 March 6, 13, 20, 27 April 3, 10

Art Club:Grades 3-8Wednesdays 2:30-3:30Ms. TarroArt Room\$60.00Art Club is an opportunity for students who love art and are seeking a creative outlet beyond the classroom.Students will use a variety of art media to create and further their experience within the visual arts. Let's get
creative!

Dates – Wednesday – Feb 7, 14 March 6, 13, 20, 27 April 3, 10

"My First Piggy Bank": Pre- Grade 2 students – Offered through Spark Business Academy.See attached flyer.PreK Room\$145

They send in their instructors, but I will be in the building. Dates: Wednesdays Feb 7-April 10 (NO class 2/21,2/28)

Chorus: Grades 3-8Fridays 1:25-2:10Mr. Pare, Ms. TarroMusic RoomWe have decided to offer during the last period on a Friday.Students in Grades 2-8 are welcome to join.They will be responsible for any worked missed during the class they miss.

Description: If you like to sing, have fun, and be in a very special group of friends, then join our school choir. Students will have the opportunity to learn new and exciting music for school and parish events and many outside exciting events such as; Providence Bruins Night, area shopping Mall events, U.R.I. basketball games, Christmas community caroling, singing at rest and living assisted homes and a whole lot more!



Financial Literacy Programs at St. Mary School

After School Clubs | Spring 2024

Grades PreK - 2 My First Piggy Bank

Learn with SPARK! Our innovative programs give students an opportunity to learn by doing in a supportive environment!

Earn, save, spend, donate! Students learn about key financial concepts like money, budgeting and saving – and everyone makes their very own piggy bank to take home!

Wednesdays 2:20-3:20pm

Feb 7 - Apr 10 (no class 2/21, 2/28)

\$145



"Your program is wonderful! Great class, awesome content, and a happy child!" - Katy

To register for <u>My First Piggy Bank</u>, please fill out and submit to School Office:

| Student Name: | Grade: |
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| Parent Name: | Phone Number: |
| Individual Picking up Student: | |
| Extended Care After the Program: | |



Middle School Dance!

When: Friday, January 26 Time:6pm-8pm **RSVP by Monday, January 22** \$10 per child Come for dancing, pizza, and cupcakes. Sponsored by the PTG

Name:

Grade: