

Tuesday Update: March 6, 2018



Mass tomorrow at 9am: 7th grade grade will host us. Parents are welcome to attend. The Ancient Order of Hibernians will join us next week at Mass!

Diocese of Charleston Tuition Assistance Grant Application: Please note there are two steps to the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Scholarship Application process. The first was to complete the paper application and return it to the school by Monday, March 5th. *The second step is to complete the 2018-19 FACTS Grant and Aid Application that can be accessed on the FACTS Tuition Management Website.* Click on the Grant and Aid link at the top of the page. The FACTS Application needs to be completed by **Friday, March 9th**. Please contact the school if you have any questions or need additional help.

Congratulations to the Gandy Family: Big sister Elle in Kindergarten, her siblings Will and Jackson, and Mom and Dad welcome a new baby sister! Katherine Emery Gandy, born on 2/15/18 at 6 lbs. 4 ounces. May God Bless them all!

Students who earned at least 100 points during the month of February: Chrissi E., Giana L., and Evie D. Great job, Girls! Keep Reading!

Do you have an old patio umbrella you'd like to donate? Kindergarten would love to take someone's old patio umbrella and /or base for the umbrella. Mrs. Kosydar is planning to create a large sized Chicka-Chicka-Boom-Boom alphabet tree for the classroom!

Registration 2018-2019 is Open: All current school families received an invitation via email to register from RenWeb. *Registration for the next school year and records sent to high schools will be held until all fees and incidentals are rectified. If you have a question about your account balance, please call Kathy McCormick @ (843)-448-6062. Please be sure you have returned your Parish Affirmation Forms (for those Catholic families who applied for Parish subsidy). Thank you.*

Please note a \$50.00 late fee will be assessed for packets submitted after April 13, 2018. After the 15th of every consecutive month an additional late fee of \$50.00 will be assessed.

Tax Reform and Changes to 529 Plans: The dust is still settling on the recent *Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2018*. This change will now allow tax-free distributions, (up to \$10,000 per student), from qualifying 529 Plans to pay tuition for K-12 private schools. We are currently gathering information to share with parents concerning the use of these funds for payments made at St. Andrew. Please be aware although South Carolina has already announced they will align their legislation with the new federal changes, many states have not. If you started your 529 Plan in another state, this may affect your ability to use these funds at this time. We strongly suggest that you speak with your financial adviser or tax professional concerning your intentions.

Final PTO Meeting: Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 20th 6:00 pm for our final PTO meeting. We will share important information involving curriculum changes in Math for the 2018-2019 school year. We will also share plans for Taste of the Town money and thank many of you for your hard work and dedication this year.

Coffee Hour: Each month we will hold grade specific parent coffee hours in effort to visit with parents and receive feedback on school matters. We invite 4th grade parents for the first Coffee Hour on Monday, March 19th from 8:15-9:15am in the Religious Ed. Building. Look for the invitation in today's folder.

Help 4 Kids: Each class is collecting a certain item for Easter Baskets to be delivered to children before Easter. Aftercare will help us assemble the baskets. We always thank you for your generosity!

8th Grade Washington Trip: I'm happy to report our 8th graders are home safe and sound! Thank you to Dr. Prochaska and Mrs. Sedota for chaperoning our trip. An extra big thank you goes to Rina Klein, mom of Nathan an alumni of St. Andrew. Rina did a fabulous job scheduling and rescheduling tours and activities! We also appreciate the help of all the parent volunteers and chaperones. All made great lasting memories! Praise God for a safe return!

Scoliosis Screening: Parents of students in 6-8 grades, please pay special attention to the Scoliosis Screening OPT-OUT form today in your Tuesday Folder. McLoed Health is planning to come do a simple screening on March 20 for our middle school students.

S.T.R.E.A.M. School Wide, In-House Field Trip: We have a fabulous opportunity to work with Publix Grocery stores on a S.T.R.E.A.M. initiative. Representatives from Publix are coming to our school to do a special Mother's Day baking class for students. The cost is \$8.00 per student. Students will learn a bit about baking and will create a wonderful Mother's Day present! Please pay attention to the flyer enclosed in today's folder and stay tuned for details!

Yearbook News: Don't wait until it's too late ... order your child's yearbook today! It's easy, just visit www.TreeRing.com and place the order. You also have the option of customizing two FREE pages in your child's yearbook. **All orders are due by Monday, April 16th.** Please contact Mrs. Tyndall with questions.

We Need Your Pictures! *Please* send in any photos that can be used in the yearbook. Photos needed are: class events, school events, sports, club activities, field trips, etc. Photos can be emailed to ktyndall@standrewschoolmb.org, sent on a flash drive (will be returned), or uploaded to www.TreeRing.com. Please contact Mrs. Tyndall with questions.

2018 Lip Sync News: Mark your calendars for Friday, April 20th for our annual Lip Sync. 4-8th graders are invited to participate. Please email Coach at trollings@standrewschoolmb.org to sign up a group. *One parent per group has the responsibility of signing up the group. Please note, students are not signing up groups this year.* Coach will be looking forward to hearing from the parents. Thank you!

Boxtops 4 Education Update: CCU leads the pack with 662, Clemson has 420 and USC trails with 270. Keep those boxtops coming in. Which team will end the year in glory?

Carline Reminder: Please remember not to use your phone in carline.

St. Andrew Crusader Classic 5k & 1 Mile Fun Run: has been rescheduled for Spring 2019. Stay tuned for more details.

*"Act, and God will act, work and He will work."
— St. Joan of Arc*