Tuesday Update: January 15, 2019



Mass tomorrow hosted by 7th grade. Parents are welcome to join us!

<u>MAP testing</u> began Monday for Middle School students. *Please be sure your iPads are charged!* Makeups continue through next week. Please arrive on time and eat a healthy breakfast!

<u>Congratulations to our classroom Spelling Bee Champions and alternates!</u> Congratulations to David H., 8th grader, who is the St. Andrew Spelling Bee Champion for 2019! Rachel P. in 6th grade gave him a run for his money and is the runner up after 46 rounds of competition! Congratulations to all the classroom winners as well! 5th: Mark H., Sophia R. 6th: Rachel P., Erin M. 7th: Seth R., Jake S. 8th: David H. and Jaden S.

<u>Congratulations to the Geography Bee Winners!</u> Sarah H. and Jack C. in 8th grade battled it out for over 20 rounds and Sarah is the Geography Bee Champion and Jack is the runner up. Great job! What an exciting competition. Sarah will take an online test to determine if she qualifies to go to the State competition in Columbia in March. Congratulations to all the finalists! 8th graders: Jack C., Sarah H., Lizzie M., Brey M., and Paul V., 7th graders: Gill B. and Summer S., 6th graders: Gaby D., Erin M., and Ben M.

<u>Freedom of Religion Speech Contest</u>: Congratulations to Paul in 8th grade, winner of the Catholics for Freedom of Religion Speech Contest. An Honorable Mention was awarded to Ava in 7th grade. Both students will be honored at the celebration in the CLC, 4:00pm on Wednesday, Jan. 16.

Help 4 Kids: The Help4Kids van will be parked outside the CLC on Friday, Jan. 18 from 8:00 am -3:00 pm. They are in need of warm clothes such as coats, scarves, mittens and hats. If you have some gently used items, or would consider purchasing some for those in need, they would be most appreciative. Thank you! <u>Please</u> check lost and found- all items will be donated on Friday.

Flu and Lice: Please be aware, we have had several cases of the flu and lice in the school. Lice love clean heads and flu germs love dirty hands! Encourage your children to keep their hands washed and hair up if possible. Lice do not like hairspray and mint spray. Spraying may help keep them away. Thank you! *Please note: we have also had a confirmed case of Mononucleosis.*

ARISE: Middle school students are invited to join Ms. Eleni Phelps for ARISE in the Spanish room, Tuesday, Jan. 22 from 7am-7:45 am. Ms. Phelps will provide a light breakfast and you will be watching a short video. It will be an uplifting way to begin your day!

<u>No Demerit Luncheon</u>: Kurbside Katering will be on the blacktop Thursday, January 24^{th} to provide a special lunch for middle school students earning 3 or less demerits for the 2^{nd} quarter. Students who qualify will receive the menu in today's folder.

<u>Hot Cookie Friday!</u> Hot, homemade cookies will be provided for students who met their AR goal for 2^{nd} quarter. Congratulations!

<u>New Aftercare Phone Policy</u>: Parents please text the aftercare phone number @843-582-6578 instead of calling. Please state your name and the child(ren) you are picking up. Thank you for your cooperation.

2019 Kindergarten Class: If your child will be 5 years old by Sept. 1, 2019, as a sibling of a current student, he/she will have priority status for this list. You must have an application on file. Please call Ms. Ferrari if you have any questions. Spread the word to your family members or friends that may be interested in enrolling their children at St. Andrew. This will also give them a priority status. *Applications are found on our website www.standrewschoolmb.com*.

Go Crusaders! Come support our basketball teams on Thursday (1/17) in our own CLC. Good luck Crusaders!

Basketball Pictures: Please have <u>FULL UNIFORMS</u> for practice on the following days for team basketball pictures. <u>Girls Basketball: TODAY (1/15) 2:45pm</u>, Senior Boys: RESCHEDULED FOR WED. (1/23) 2:45pm

<u>Catholic Schools Week 2019, Jan. 28-February 1:</u> Each year we join Catholic schools across the United States in celebrating the beauty and value of Catholic education. There is a flyer in today's folder listing the activities scheduled for that week. Parents are invited to join in as they can. You are an important part of our mission! *We will begin the week with the Children's Choir singing @9:15 Mass on Sunday, 1/27 under the direction of Kim Slawecki, we encourage all to attend!*

Beach Walk to fight Hunger, Wed., Jan. 30: Each year as a part of our mission and school wide service program, we organize a 1 ½ mile walk on the beach to demonstrate our solidarity with the poor and raise money for Helping Hand and the Community Kitchen. Students are asked to obtain sponsor donations before the day of the walk. The three students collecting the most money will earn a special prize. Start early to obtain donations from family and friends! Your sponsorship envelope went home last week in the Tuesday folder. Thank you for your support of this project!

Family Prom Friday, 2/1: Invitations are coming home today. *Please be sure to RSVP.* Dress up in anything you feel comfortable in and come join us in celebration of our families here at St. Andrew! Thank you to Caryn Coury and Laura Robertson for their work on this event!

<u>A Day of Giving</u>: St. Andrew Catholic School will be participating in a national day of giving from 9:00 AM on January $29^{th} - 9:00$ AM on January 30th. More information to come.

Important Financial Notice: Beginning January 3, 2019, a 3% late fee will be assessed each month if tuition or incidental charges are not paid by the due date. We recommend, if you have not already, enrolling in auto pay to pay incidental charges. Please be sure to have easy access to your account with FACTS Tuition Management and that FACTS has your correct email. FACTS notifies all families four days before a tuition payment is drafted, and there are two notices given before incidental charges are drafted. The first incidental draft notice is 10 days before the draft, the second is 4 days before the draft. If you ever need assistance accessing your account, or with a payment, please call the school or FACTS directly. FACTS has live chat between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00 pm Central, and a 24/7 phone line (866) 441-4637.

<u>2019 Lip Sync News</u>: Mark your calendars for Friday, March 1st 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!

Library Notice: Please check with your child to determine if he/she has any school library books that must be renewed or returned before the end of the quarter on Monday, January 14. *Report cards will be held for any books that have not been returned/renewed or paid for, if lost.* Thank you for your help. Each and every book means so much to us!

<u>Carline Rules</u> are in today's folder. <u>Remember your children's safety is our first priority</u>. Thank you to those who always follow the rules.

"Regardless of the best plan you can put together for yourself with the greatest of your imagination, God has something much greater planned. If only you will surrender." ~Matthew Kelly