

# NEWSNOTE

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## FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK...

Happy Wednesday!

Where is the time going? I can hardly believe that next week we will be celebrating Thanksgiving. We will only be in school on Monday and Tuesday so that our families can enjoy the holiday. On Tuesday, we will come together as a school for a Thanksgiving Mass.

Congratulations to all of our National Junior Honor Society Inductees. We will have a ceremony to officially induct them in during Friday's mass.

All of our families are entered into our emergency notification system. If an emergency arises or if I need to close school, you will receive a text, email and phone call. The number 761-27 will appear in the text message as the sender. If any of your contact information has recently changed, please contact the office so that we can update this information in the system.

"Give thanks not just on Thanksgiving Day, but every day of your life. Appreciate and never take for granted all that you have." -Catherine Pulsifer

God's Peace and Love,  
Mrs. Kwitowski

## MY LITTLE SWEETHEART DANCE

Photos from the My Little Sweetheart Dace are available for download until December 1st by visiting:

<http://www.kellytanskiphotography.com/>



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **11/16** - NJHS Induction @ 8:30 Mass
- **11/20** - Thanksgiving Mass, 8:30am
- **11/21 - 11/23** - **NO SCHOOL**, Thanksgiving
- **11/30** - Christian Witness Mass, 8:30am
- **12/3** - **1:00 Dismissal**, Dress Down Day
- **12/7** - **No FAST Club**, Merry Moose Shoppe, 9:30 - 2:00
- **12/14** - Living Nativity, 5:30pm



## BY THE NUMBERS

### SCRIP

From Nov. 6, 2018 to Nov. 9, 2018, the Scrip rebate profit earned for the school was \$451.55.

Monthly Scrip <u>Sales Goal</u>	Monthly Scrip <u>Profit Goal</u>
\$30,000.00	\$1,500.00

November <u>Profit-to-Date</u>	Year <u>Profit-to-Date</u>
\$660.37	\$2,460.27

When we work together on the \$1,500.00 monthly goal, it is less than a \$200 purchase in gift cards per family, per month, through the SCRIP program. Since SCRIP cards can be purchased for Tops Gasoline, Tops groceries, Amazon, Tim Hortons, paying your Kohl's bill, etc I am sure we can all find easy ways to help with this goal. Each week we will update what we have sold towards the monthly goal of \$30,000 in SCRIP sales. There is a locked box outside the Scrip office so that you can drop off orders whenever it is convenient for you! There is also one in the back of the church.

### Candy Bar Sale

Our candy bar sale is still running full steam! Boxes are available anytime and most often go home the same day as the order is submitted!



## VETERANS DAY

For Veteran's Day our middle school students were treated to a visit by a veteran whose family is near and dear to our SME family - Sgt. Trulin, husband of our Spanish teacher Mrs. Trulin! To prepare for his visit students learned the history behind Veteran's Day, the different branches of the military and the current role of our military around the world. Students came up with questions for Sgt. Trulin and were treated to an in depth talk with him about his life in the Army and how it relates to his family and everyday life as a civilian. We thank Sgt. Trulin, Mrs. Trulin and their family for their service to our country, and may God bless all of our troops and veterans.



## SCRIP

Thank-Scrip-ing Day is coming on November 20, and it's bringing huge bonus rebates just in time for Black Friday and Cyber Monday. St. Mary's families can earn on all of the eGift cards (ScripNow®) and reloads you need for your holiday shopping!! See the flyer in the NewsNotes to make sure you're ready for the big day!

### SAVE THE DATES:

Weekend hours: Saturday, 12/1 from 9:00-11:00; Sunday, 12/2 from 8:00-2:00.

### REMEMBER!!

Some vendors are offering low denomination gift cards through December 14th. The list of available cards is below and there will be a limited number available in the Scrip office (the cards that are in bold type). Please plan ahead and order soon!

**\$5 Cards:** Barnes & Noble, Blimpie, Cold Stone, Panera, Starbucks, Taco Bell

**\$10 cards:** Amazon, Applebees, CVS, Olive Garden, Home Depot, IHOP, Meijer, Out-back, Red Lobster, Target, Walmart



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LIVING..."

## X-STREAM GAMES

X-STREAM Games Showcase and Competitions will take place at St. Joe's Collegiate on Sunday December 2nd. Please come and show your support! Our students have been working diligently in their STREAM Academies. This is a day to celebrate their creativity, collaboration and hard work.

- We will have 2 robotics teams competing against many other diocesan schools
- Students will showcase 3 Arcade Academy games that they designed and created
- We will have a Science Scrimmage (CSI) team complete in a challenge against other diocesan students
- Artwork will be displayed by our Ignite the Power of Art Academy students
- Some SME students will demonstrate the work they created in the Google CS First Coding Academy

## MERRY MOOSE

Thank you to all that have donated wrapping supplies to our Merry Moose Shoppe.

Our merry helpers are in need of wrapping supplies such as:

- Wrapping Paper
- Gift Bags
- Gift Tags
- Tissue Paper
- Tape



Donations can be sent into the school office Attn: Merry Moose. Thank you in advance for your support of this shopping experience for our students!

## HOLLY HANGING

Thank you to all that have donated decorating supplies to our Holly Hanging team. We are looking forward to decking the halls for the season!

There is still time if you would like to donate wrapping paper, ribbon & bows.

Thank you,  
Holly Hanging committee



## GIVE UNTO OTHERS...

Our giving tree is up and is beginning to look great!

We are collecting hats, gloves/mittens & scarves to be delivered to the Lancaster Youth Bureau and will serve the need in our community.

We will also be collecting new toys to be delivered to Children's Hospital via Peyton's Toy Drive.



## HSA

Monday, 11/19 - Pie / Coffee Pick up day, 2:00 - 6:00pm.



## SAVE THE DATE

On Friday, December 14th, 2018 at 5:30 pm, Saint Mary's Elementary School students will present **JOY TO THE WORLD! – a Living Nativity Christmas Celebration**. This will be the only Christmas production taking place this year. This beautiful depiction of our Lord's birth will take place in the SME school gymnasium. **ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES K - 8** will be a part of this production! Students will be singing and acting with a backdrop of the manger including live animals, just as it was on that busy day in Bethlehem.



## MISSION POSSIBLE

**Challenge Period 1 takes place Oct. 2nd - Dec. 14th.**



Our minimum goal for this period is 750 cans/boxes of food donated! This equates to 3-4 cans/boxes of food per student donated. Last fall we exceeded our goal by over 200% and we accomplished this by donating more than our minimum goal.

Suggested Goals by grade:  
Pre-K- 2 = 60 cans each grade  
3-7 = 70 cans each grade  
8th grade = 100 cans  
Teachers/staff = 60 cans

## ATHLETICS

Fall Banquet Forms have been sent home with the athletes that participated in a fall sport.

Our Fall Banquet will be  
Tuesday, November 20th at 6:30 pm.

Banquet RSVP's were due back by FRIDAY NOVEMBER 11th. Girls Varsity Volleyball, Cross Country, Swimming, and Boys Baseball will all have team pictures that day as well. Times and details will be sent out soon.

BSN has opened up a new Online Shop for us for Christmas delivery. It's a new line of St. Mary's Knights gear to ROCK at all of your sporting events. These new options are not sports specific. They are general St. Mary's Knights apparel. Check them out and add them to your Christmas wish list!!

bsnteamsports.com  
Enter Team Access Code: Stmary18

## NED SHOW

Students in Pre-K - 5th grade had an assembly last week from NED Mindset Mission - the Yo Yo's from the show will be available until Thursday 11/15 during lunch.



## 8TH GRADE FIELD TRIP

Thanks to a grant through STREAM our 8th grade class had a team building day at Tifft Nature Preserve last week. They attended a "Wilderness Survival Camp" where they learned about edible plants, fire building and how to construct a shelter from almost nothing.



## 8TH GRADE INFORMATION

Parents wishing to have their child shadow at high school must coordinate that with the high school directly.

Please submit a copy of your Catholic High School application confirmation email to the school office once you have received it so that your child(s) transcript can be forwarded to the appropriate school(s).

<http://catholichighschoolswny.com/>



## STAY IN THE KNOW



**Save the Date:** 11/14 - Grandparents Mass (5th Grade)

**Save the Date:** 11/16 - NJHS Induction Mass

**Save the Date:** Monday, 11/19 2-6:00, Coffee / Pie Pick Up

**Save the Date:** 11/20 - Thanksgiving Mass, 8:30

**Save the Date:** 12/7 - Merry Moose Shoppe, 9:30 - 2:00





# Mark your Calendars!!!

5<sup>th</sup> Annual

# X-STREAM GAMES and EXPO!

INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF INNOVATORS, SCIENTISTS, and BELIEVERS!



## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2018

St. Joseph Collegiate Institute 12:00-3:30 p.m.

ENTRANCE FEE: One canned food item per person to support SJCI Food Basket Drive.

### EVENT SCHEDULE

- 11:15 Early Bird Robotics: Team Check-in and Staging
- 12:00 Robotics Competition Begins: Over 30+ teams every year!
- 12:00 All other STREAM ACADEMY Courses: Check in and Set Up 12-1pm
- 1:00 Science Scrimmage: CSI Forensics Presentation (Commons)
- 1:00 Lights, Camera, Action "Be the Light" Showcase (Black Box)
- 1:00 Academy Demonstrations until 2:30
  - The "Best of" Arcade Academy Games to Play
  - Video Gaming/Coding Stories Venue- Student Created!
  - Lip Balm Sales: Student Companies
  - "Ignite the Power of Art" Student Showcase
  - Other Academy Demos: PEAP, FUTURE CITIES, LITTE BITS, NEW ACADEMY INNOVATIONS!
- 1:30 "Shark Tank" for our Innovators (Library)
- 2:30 Kitchen Chemistry "Bread of Life" Bake-Off (Black Box)
- 3:15 Robotics Finals and Awards





EARN BONUS REBATES ON

# Thank-Scrip-ing Day

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Map out your holiday shopping list and take advantage of exclusive bonus rebates on eGift cards (ScripNow®) and reloads to your physical cards during Thank-Scrip-ing Day. Don't miss this chance to earn big on all the scrip you need for Black Friday and Cyber Monday shopping.

## Details for the Day of Earning:

- Bonus rebates are only available for online orders—create a ShopWithScrip account if you don't have one yet.
- Register reloadable gift cards you previously purchased from ShopWithScrip. If you don't have reloadable gift cards, order them now.
- Mark your calendar: participating brands and bonuses will be announced at 12 a.m. Eastern on the 20th.

## Use MyScripWallet.com to Earn On-the-Go

Easily order eGift cards and reload your physical gift cards right from your phone using our mobile website.

**Don't have a ShopWithScrip account yet? Sign up today to earn huge bonus rebates:**

1. Go to ShopWithScrip.com and select **Join a Program**.
2. Enter our organization's enrollment code:
3. Link your bank account to enroll in online payments (PrestoPay™).

Have a question? Contact our coordinator at: \_\_\_\_\_