

NEWSNOTE

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Happy Wednesday!

Our May Crowning Mass was beautiful. The students did an excellent job and our 3rd graders looked wonderful in their First Communion outfits. The Bishop was very impressed by our students and our school. He loved how much the students sang and participated during mass. I am so proud of all of SME!!

This Thursday our 7th and 8th graders will be going on their class trips. The 7th graders will be heading to Corning and the 8th graders are off to Pittsburgh.

I hope that everybody has a relaxing Memorial Day weekend. Hopefully, we will see the sun. During this long weekend, please take a moment to remember all of our servicemen and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.

If you have not sent in your registration packets, please send them in to ensure yourself a spot for the upcoming school year.

God's Peace and Love,
Mrs. Kwitowski

MAY CROWNING



4TH OF JULY PARADE

We are thinking of warm weather and have already begun to plan for the 4th of July parade! We are in need of a trailer for this year's parade float. If you are able to help, please contact either our HSA team at hsa@smeschool.com or Mrs. Forsys at lorigforsys@yahoo.com. The flyer that went out last week is attached electronically for your convenience.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 5/23 - STREAM Pledges due
- 5/24-5/27 - No School, Memorial Day Weekend
- 5/29 - NYS Science Performance Testing Gr. 4 & 8
- 5/30 - Ascension Thursday Mass, 8:30 in the Church
- 6/3 - 1:00 Dismissal, Dress Down Day, NYS Science Written Testing Gr. 4 & 8
- 6/5 - Spring Concert 9:00am
- 6/6 - Pre-K 3 last day
- 6/7 - Christian Witness Mass, 8:30; Pre-K 4 Graduation, 10am; Mega Raffle, 6pm
- 6/10 - Kindergarten Graduation, 10:30am, MP3 (Gr. K) Uploaded
- 6/14 - 1:00 Dismissal, Last School Mass, School Picnic

BY THE NUMBERS

SCRIP

From 5/14/19 to 5/20/2019, the Scrip rebate profit earned for the school was \$188.02

Monthly Scrip Sales Goal	Monthly Scrip Profit Goal
\$30,000.00	\$1,500.00
May Profit-to-Date	Year Profit-to-Date
\$512.33	\$9,926.55

Contact the Scrip office at scrip@smeschool.com to find out how you can support this fundamental program.

Candy Bar Sale

We still have candy in stock and will be able to distribute while supplies last.

Orders can be placed with Amanda Kuhn (secretary@smeschool.com)

Candy Left in stock: 62 Boxes
Profit to collect: \$3120

We are in the process of finalizing all remaining candy bar rewards.

If you have any questions please contact our candy bar sale team

Rob & Jackie Brodziak at candybarsale@smeschool.com.



MEGA RAFFLE

We are just three weeks away from our Mega Raffle Event and have less than 65 tickets remaining!!

As of May 20th we have sold **588** tickets!

There are just **62** tickets remaining – did you get yours??

We have sold out all 3 previous years, so be sure to get your tickets soon! So far, **213** of the tickets have been sold or purchased by school families – thank you for your support!!



We are currently selling **raffle chances (\$5 each)** for:
* signed, framed, Jim Kelly jersey
* \$250 SME tuition voucher for 2019-2020 school year
Raffle chances can be requested anytime with payment in a sealed & appropriately labeled envelope.

Prize winners will be announced at the live drawing on Friday, June 7th in the Parish Center. Flyers are available in the front office if you would like to bring them to your place of business to sell - people love a raffle!

If you wish to donate an item for our basket raffle, we have set up a wedding registry on Amazon.com under the name **2019 Mega Raffle**. All items purchased will be shipped directly to the school. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

We are seeking **volunteers** to work the evening of the event. To sign up please visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A4BA5A728ABFA7-service>

Do you love to bake?

We are looking for donations of baked goods to serve during the event. Items can be dropped off in the school office 6/6 or until 5pm 6/7.

Please contact me garaffle@smeschool.com with any questions/concerns.



HSA

Did you know that the online store from our Mixed Bag sale is open for the remainder of the school year? Order online and we will receive a 40% profit! They have a great clearance section too! Simply visit:

mixedbagdesigns.com/st-marys-elementary-school

SPRING UNIFORM POLICY

Effective 5/1, uniform shorts are now an acceptable uniform option. Please remember that shorts need to be knee length and must be worn with a belt.

Please refer to page 24 of the Parent/Student Handbook for a refresher of appropriate attire.

Just a reminder to please do any Amazon shopping at smile.amazon.com. The next major shopping holiday is Father's Day, on June 16. St. Mary of the Assumption is part of the AmazonSmile program and will receive a donation from them for purchases made.



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STREAM

Thank you to all of our students who participated in our STREAM Walk-a-Thon. Forms went home last week to any student/family who needs to collect any pledges that they received. We ask that the forms be returned by tomorrow.

All pledge money is utilized to further grow the STREAM supplies & academy kits as well as funding STREAM field trips & transportation.

PARISH PASSAGE

St. Mary's is offering Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion Training.

Eucharistic ministers may serve at Mass and/or visiting the Homebound.

If you find yourself called to this ministry, please attend one of two training sessions beginning in Room 140 of the School Building then moving to the Church.

Friday June 21, 2019 - 9:00 AM to Noon
OR

Saturday June 22, 2019 - 9:00 AM to Noon

All current Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion are strongly recommended to attend from 11:00 to Noon in the church on either day for updated information. You are also welcome to attend the full training to refresh your spiritual understanding of this ministry.



*Congratulations to our
Christian Witness Recipients
for the month of April.*

*May you continue to be
"...visible examples of Gospel living"*

SCRIP

It is amazing to see our families supporting the program, yet we are now falling short of our monthly and yearly goals.

From September through April, we expected to reach \$12,000 in Scrip profit earned, which leaves us at a current deficit of \$2,585.78. We can make that up, but we need your help! If each family is able to purchase just \$200 in gift cards per month, the SCRIP program would be a HUGE success! Don't forget that you can pay for your purchases **ONLINE** as well – if you haven't heard of this option yet, please reach out to us – it is so easy to sign up!

The SCRIP office is open
Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 8-10 am

We are looking for additional volunteers to sell weekday mornings during the 2019-2020 school year. If you are interested in learning more please contact the scrip team at scrip@smeschool.com. A flyer is coming home today with more information on this opportunity!

Any questions about the SCRIP program please contact
Mary Kate DeMarzio at scrip@smeschool.com.



GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our annual Golf Tournament
will be held on
Monday, July 22nd
at
Chestnut Hill Country Club
1330 Broadway, Darien Center



The golf committee is looking for new members! Anyone interested is invited to a meeting on June 3 @ 5:30.
The meeting will be held at SME.

Additional 'super' raffle prize tickets are available in the school office. Contact Amanda Kuhn to request more!

HSA - SCHOOL PICNIC

Planning is well underway for our end of the year school picnic!

We count on our Room Parents to ensure a safe and enjoyable day for all of our students. If you are unable to help, please reach out to other parents in your class to see who may be able to fill in for you. If we are unable to secure enough parents to help work & supervise the different stations/bounce houses we will not be able to let the students use them.

Help is also needed with the picnic lunch

from cooking to serving and supervising. Grandparents/Guardians are also welcome to help!

Please contact the HSA team if you...

- Want more information on how to help
- Know you cannot make it, but are working on other arrangements
- Are interested in helping

hsa@smeschool.com

Thank you in advance for your support of our school & students!

JUNE CALENDAR REVIEW

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- 3** 1:00 Dismissal, Dress Down Day, NYS Science Written Test, Gr. 4 & 8
- 5** Spring Concert, 9am in the Gym
- 6** Pre-K 3 Last Day
- 7** Christian Witness Mass 8:30, Pre-K 4 Graduation 10:00am Mega Raffle 6pm
- 10** Kindergarten Graduation, 10:30, MP3: Upload (Gr. K)
- 10-12** Pre-K Screenings
- 11-12** Kindergarten Screenings
- 11-13** Middle School Exams
- 14** 1:00 Dismissal, Last School Mass 8:30, School Picnic
- 17-18** No SCHOOL, Recording Days
- 19** Awards Assembly, 9:15, **10:45** Dismissal, 8th Grade Graduation, 7pm in the Church, Reception to follow in PC
- 19** MP3: Report Card Upload (Gr. 1-8)

8TH GRADE INFORMATION

The bottle drive supporting our 8th grade class continues throughout the school year. There is a donation bin in the foyer. Donations can also be dropped off at Cash for Cans on William & Aurora. Thank you for your continued support!



STAY IN THE KNOW



Save the Date: 5/24-5/27 - No School, Memorial Day weekend

Save the Date: 6/3 - 1:00 Dismissal, Dress Down Day

Save the Date: 6/5 - 9:00 Spring Concert, Grades K-8

Save the Date: 6/7 - Last Christian Witness Mass of the school year

Save the Date: 6/17 - 1:00 Dismissal, School Picnic



The Scrip team is looking for volunteers to sell gift cards for 2-3 hours per day.

Shifts are available:

- Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings from 8:00-10:00
 - One Saturday a month from 9:00-11:00
 - After Masses on the weekends (10-20 mins)

The commitment can be as simple as one day a month, or as many days as you like!

Grandparents are welcome as well!

If you are interested in learning more, please contact the Scrip Team at scrip@smeschool.com

4th of July Parade – 2019

Want to Show Off Our Great School???

Want to be seen by the Community??

Available on the 4th of July???



We need you! HSA is currently recruiting SME Families to be in the 4th of July parade in the Village of Lancaster this year. We will supply everything – we just need **YOU!** This is a great opportunity for us to show off our school pride and make our school seen in the community.

Please send back this form if you would be willing to help us!

My family would be willing to participate in the parade.

_____ Family Name _____ # of People

_____ Email Address

We have a trailer that can be used in the parade.

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MOUNT MERCY ACADEMY
Basketball Camp 2019

Monday July 1st - Wednesday July 3rd
COST \$65 PER CAMPER,
INCLUDES A CAMP T-SHIRT!

Coached by John Glose & the Mount Mercy Varsity Basketball Team

SESSION ONE:

for girls entering 4th, 5th & 6th grade
 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

SESSION TWO:

for girls entering 7th, 8th and 9th grade
 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM



REGISTER:

Online at www.mtmercy.org/basketball-camp
 Please make checks payable to Mount Mercy Academy



Tennis Camp

Mount Mercy Academy



\$65

**For girls Entering
 7th & 8th Grade**

Monday July 8th - Wednesday July 10th

Camp will be held at Cazenovia Park
 Contact Tina Webster for more information at
twebster@mtmercy.org

Register at mtmercy.org/tennis-camp



CAMP MERCY

MOUNT MERCY ACADEMY

July 15-19, 2019



*A fun Summer Camp
 with something for every girl*

For girls entering grades 3-8. Incoming freshman welcome.

Visit www.mtmercy.org/campmercy or contact Tina Webster at
 (716) 825-8796 ext. 320 or twebster@mtmercy.org

