

NEWSNOTE

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Happy Wednesday!

This past Friday night was our Mega Raffle event. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everybody who supported the event!

As we wind up this unique school year, I would like to offer the following prayer:

God of wisdom, we thank you for all the gifts you have given us throughout this school year.
We praise you for giving us life, for saving us in Christ, and for choosing us to be your people.

As we come to the end of this school year, we voice our gratitude for the good things you have done for us, and we praise you for all who have shared in the work of this school.

We ask you to bless them in your love and give them refreshment and peace.
We praise you, God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever.
Amen. (Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers)

Some of our grade levels are closed for the 21/22 school year. If you have not turned in your registration packet, please fill out the information and return the packet as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding registration, do not hesitate to call our office.

God's Peace and Love,
Mrs. Kwitowski



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 6/18: NO SCHOOL - Juneteenth
- 6/21 - 10:45 Early Dismissal - No After-school Care
- 6/22 - 1:00 Early Dismissal, Last day of School
- 6/23 - Graduation Ceremonies: Pre-K (9, 10 & 11 am), Kinder (12 & 1pm), 8th Gr. (4pm)



- 7/4 - Parade - See Electronic Flyer!



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Popcorn Fundraiser 6/19: There is still plenty of opportunity to help work the popcorn stand! If you are able to help, please use the following link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C4CADA923A2FF2-carls>
Questions can be directed to Kristie May (hsa@smeschool.com or 998-6504).

Thank you for your continued support!



BY THE NUMBERS

SCRIP:
May 1 - May 31, 2021

Collectively, St. Mary's goal is to sell \$30,000 in Scrip each month with a rebate goal of \$1,500.

May Sales Total	% Monthly Sales Goal
\$18,785.00	63%
May Rebate Profit	% Monthly Profit Goal
\$989.93	66%
Sales Year-to-Date	Rebate Year-to-Date
\$42,765.00	\$2,222.60

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

CANDY BAR SALE:

Expenses: (\$7766.79)
Deposits: \$11042.00
Profit/(Loss): \$3266.24

candybarsale@smeschool.com.
We are SOLD OUT!

SCHOOLSTORE.COM:

Total 2020-2021 Profit: \$386.28

This is an ongoing fundraiser, every purchase through the site earns us money!

SME YEARBOOK

At this time, we **do not** have an estimated date of arrival for the yearbook. Many companies are still feeling the effects of COVID delays, and unfortunately Inter-State is one of them.

We will have a total of **25** Yearbooks available for cash & carry at the cost of \$15 each. Payment (in the form of cash or check payable to SME) can be sent in and you will be added to the distribution list. Yearbooks are first come first serve.

Please keep your eye on your email as we will update you as we are able.



MEGA RAFFLE

This past Friday we held our 6th Annual Mega Raffle event and we truly missed being able to celebrate with you all in person! We sold out for the 6th straight year, with all tickets being paid for by June 5th. The recordings of the cash drawings and theme basket drawings can be viewed on the parish website: www.stmarysonthehill.com, and the parish Facebook page. Search the LIVE Stream Tab for Mega Raffle.

All prize winners have been contacted and the winning ticket numbers for the cash prizes are posted below. All of theme basket winners have been contacted.

The Green 50/50 prize of \$630 went to ticket **#574605**
The Gold 50/50 prize of \$670 went to ticket **#9103662**
The 20 \$100 prizes went to tickets **#935, #23, #443, #965, #381, #958, #603, #966, #877, #169, #506, #953, #55, #246, #569, #461, #610, #853, #990 and #450**
The 2 - \$150 prizes went to tickets **#457 and #543**
The 2 - \$250 prizes went to tickets **#634 and #434**
The \$500 prizes went to ticket **#197**
The \$1,000 prize went to ticket **#569**
The \$5,000 prize went to **#991** and
The **\$30,000 GRAND PRIZE** went to ticket **#958!!**

Congratulations

Thank you to everyone who helped sell tickets, especially those who went above and beyond by selling 10 or more tickets! 4 families tied for the sales contest, each selling 10 tickets, and they earned a ride to school on a fire truck last Friday.

As you are aware - the Mega Raffle fundraiser is critical to keeping the tuition costs down for our SME families. Thank you again for all of your continued support!

If you are interested in joining our committee for next year, please contact Mary Kate DeMarzio at megaraffle@smeschool.com.

CHIAVETTAS CHICKEN DINNER

St. Mary's is hosting a drive-thru Chiavetta's Dinner!

When: Saturday, July 3rd
Time: 12:00-4:00pm, or until we sell out
Cost: Dinners are **\$10 presale**/\$12 the day of



Purchasing tickets is easy:
Mail or drop off your payment of cash or check (\$10/dinner, made out to St. Mary's) to 1 St. Mary's Hill, Lancaster, NY 14086 and a receipt will be mailed to you.
Payment is also accepted via Venmo or Paypal - contact Mary Kate or Steve DeMarzio by calling (716) 253-7880.



ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2 St. Mary's Hill
Lancaster, NY 14086

Phone: 716-683-2112
Fax: 716-683-2134
www.smeschool.com



UPON THIS HILL,
WE DO GOD'S WILL



SCRIP CORNER

Scrip sales will continue in the Rectory this summer, Monday-Friday from 9:00-3:00. Orders can be placed online, dropped off at the Rectory any weekday, or left in the locked box in the vestibule of the church. Feel free to reach out with any questions: scrip@smeschool.com

The quarterly tuition credit report was run yesterday, June 15, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year.

There are thousands of dollars in tuition credit available to you!

Gift card updates:

- ◆ As of June 14th, the Amazon rebate is now 2%
- ◆ If you purchase Kohl's gift cards online, be sure to select the option with (SME) after the denomination to get the 5% rebate. Otherwise, the rebate is only 4%.

We thank you for your continued support in making the Scrip program a success for our school, our Parish, and our children!

****Please remember to return your brown Scrip envelope with your order. If you order online, please send your envelope in for us to return your order to you. Thank you!***

SCHOOL PICNIC

The HSA Team will be sponsoring a picnic lunch to close out the school year. The picnic lunch will consist of a hot dog, snack & drink.

There will also be a "cool" surprise or two!

If your child(ren) would prefer a grilled cheese or sun-butter & jelly sandwich, please submit your alternate lunch request to Mrs. Kuhn by tomorrow, 6/17.

We are in need of a few volunteers to assist with keeping lunch running smoothly. If you are able to help (10:00-1:00) on Tuesday, 6/22 please contact our HSA Team (hsa@smeschool.com).



Our Summer Care Program is FULL!

We are unable to accept any further registrations.

END OF YEAR DRESS DOWN FUN

Let's have some fun as we finish out our school year!

6/17 - Beach Day
6/21 - Neon / Tye Dye
6/22 - Shorts/T-Shirts/Flip Flops

If your child(ren) choose not to participate on any given day, they are expected to wear their uniform.



4TH OF JULY PARADE

We are looking for SME families to show your school spirit in this year's 4th of July Parade! Please see the flyer coming home electronically today for all the details!



HELP WANTED

Thank you to the families that have reached out to volunteer for upcoming events!
As you know, our success depends on you!

Active involvement of all our families is necessary to keep school expenses to a minimum, encourage community involvement, and assure continued success of our school.

We hope to promote the true spirit of participation and volunteerism by inviting you to get involved in one or more of our 3 main fundraisers:

Golf Tournament (July 26, 2021)

Fall Fest (Autumn 2021) - This event is 'under construction'! Keep your eye on the NewsNotes for more information which will be coming out soon!

SCRIP (year round) - Coordinator position



If you would like to join the committee for any of the events listed above, please reach out to our Events Coordinator, Mary Kate DeMarzio at marykate@stmarysonthehill.org or (716) 683-6445, ext. 12.

Your involvement is vital to the success of these events!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"Rise Up!" Vacation Bible School
Come join us for a fun-filled week!

Location: St. Mary's Parish Center
Dates: July 26 – July 30, 2021
Arrival Time: 5:45 p.m.
Session Time: 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
Closing Mass: Saturday, July 31 at 7 p.m. outdoors

Grades: Upcoming K- 5th Cost: \$15 (\$25 for two or more children)

Registration deadline: July 16th
For more information please call: 683-8564

We will enjoy learning about Jesus, arts and crafts, songs, and even flying kites!

Come and join the fun.
Bring a friend or a cousin!

Registration & volunteer forms are available on the St. Mary's website.

NJHS

St. Mary's Elementary NJHS students (represented here by 8th grade member Hope J. and 7th grade member Cameryn W.) delivered 30 packages that included items of comfort and for stress relief, personal care, snacks and a Tim Horton's gift card for each employee of the environmental staff at Catholic Health's St. Joe's campus. All grade levels Pre-K-5th grade wrote personalized handwritten thank you cards so our whole school could show their appreciation.

Our St. Mary's NJHS members wanted to celebrate the environmental crew at St. Joe's Hospital due to their designation as a COVID-19 hospital during the pandemic. Our students felt that they were not recognized for their efforts, bravery and dedication to our community through these very trying and dangerous times. They are beyond grateful for their commitment to service and humanity. True heroes, examples of Christ and our Catholic faith. NJHS feels blessed to have people like those on the St. Joe's team who selflessly served our community.



SUMMER FUN

Don't forget about the Pink Cow's Summer Fun Bucket List!

Work your way towards a free ice cream at Pink Cow located on Broadway in Alden!



Participate in activities such as:
making homemade pizza for dinner
spending the afternoon at the park
donating to a local food pantry!

Prize levels for completing 10, 20 or all 30 activities!

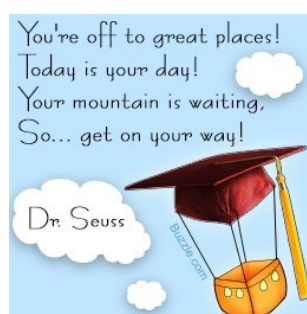
GOLF TOURNAMENT

When: Monday, July 26th

Where: Lancaster Country Club – NEW VENUE!

Tournament information & raffle tickets went out 3/10. The flyer is also available on the NewsNote tab of our website.

8TH GRADE



IT IS OUR CHOICES
THAT SHOW WHAT WE
truly are
FAR MORE
THAN OUR ABILITIES
-Albert Einstein

STAY IN THE KNOW



Save the Date: 6/18 No School

Save the Date: 6/21 10:45 Early Dismissal - NO Afterschool Care

Save the Date: 6/22 1:00 Early Dismissal

Save the Date: 6/23 Pre-K, K & 8th Grade Graduations

Save the Date: 7/4 Parade



4TH OF JULY



St. Mary's Parents and Students..... We need your help!!!

It's that time of year again! What better way to share our school family with the community than to participate in the biggest parade of the year? SME would like to have a float or decorated truck or just decorated bikes/wagons in Lancaster's 4th of July Celebration.

We need a parent or two who are interested in coordinating this for us. Time is of the essence. Please email Mrs. Kwitowski (kwitowskik@smeschool.com) or send back the bottom of this form if you are interested by this Friday, June 18th, 2021.

I would be interested in helping coordinate the parade on Sunday, July 4th 2021.

Name: _____ Phone #: _____ Email: _____

____ Yes, our family will have ____ adult(s) and ____ child(ren) participating.
(Must have at least ONE adult accompany their child or children).

Family Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Attn: Mrs. Kwitowski – School Office

St. Mary of the Assumption Presents:



“Rise Up!”

Vacation Bible School

Come join us for a fun~filled week!

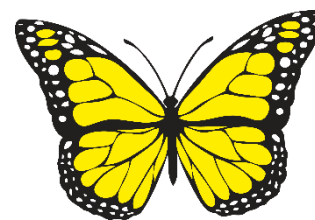
Location:	<i>St. Mary's Parish Center</i>
Dates:	<i>July 26 – July 30, 2021</i>
Arrival Time:	<i>5:45 p.m.</i>
Session Time:	<i>6:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m.</i>
Closing Mass:	<i>Saturday, July 31 at 7 p.m. outdoors</i>
Grades:	<i>Upcoming K~ 5th</i>
Cost:	<i>\$15 (\$25 for two or more children)</i>

A picnic for the entire family will take place on Friday, July 30th.

****Students in grades 6-12 can volunteer as teen helpers****

Registration deadline: July 16th

For more information please call: 683-8564



We will enjoy learning about Jesus, arts and crafts, songs, and even flying kites! Come and join the fun. Bring a friend or a cousin!

Hull Family Home & Farmstead
5976 Genesee Street, Lancaster, NY



HISTORY CAMP FOR KIDS

July 19-23, 2021

9AM to 4PM

For students entering grades 5-8

*Campers will experience
early pioneer chores, games, food, clothing,
crafts and trades,
Native American culture,
military traditions, and an archaeological dig*

\$160 per camper per week

For further information and application
Call 681-5494 or email sjacobs@hullfamilyhome.com

JULY 19-22
GIRLS BASKETBALL
9AM-12PM - \$150

JULY 26-30
GIRLS MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL
9AM-12 PM - \$150

AUGUST 2-5
BOYS BASKETBALL
9AM-12PM - \$150

AUGUST 9-13
GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL
9AM-1PM - \$190

AUGUST 16-20
BOYS SOCCER
6-9PM - \$75

AUGUST 17-20
GIRLS SOCCER
9AM-12PM - \$150

ST. MARY'S SUMMER SPORT CAMPS



For more information visit smhlancers.org
or contact Zach Weiss, Athletic Director at
zweiss@smhlancers.org.



Do you know a child who has trouble with ADHD behaviors in school?

Families with children entering 1st to 5th grade are now being recruited to find out the best ways to help.



- If a child qualifies for the study, the child will be randomly assigned to:
 - (1) assessment and progress monitoring of school performance
 - Or
 - (2) a coach will work with the child's teacher across the whole school year.
- Coaches will work with teachers and families to provide behavioral therapy, more intensive behavioral therapy, or medication treatment, if needed, based on the child's response to treatment across the school year.
- There is no fee for participating in this study. All progress monitoring reports and treatments are provided as part of the study.

To learn more, or to apply, call 716-359-7500