

NEWSNOTE

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK...

Happy Tuesday!

Summer Blessing (Author Unknown)

May you walk with God this summer in whatever you do, wherever you go
Walking with God means...Walking with honesty and with courage, walking with love and respect
And concern for the feelings of others
May you talk to God this summer and every day and in every situation
Talking with God means...Praying words of praise for the beauty of creation
Saying prayers of thanks for friends and good times,
Asking God's help in all your decisions
May you talk with God every day
Amen

I would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe summer vacation. Enjoy the sunshine with family and friends and know that I cannot wait to see all of you back in September!! Based on the guidance given regarding the new school year, I will try to have a day for new families to come in to tour the school.

God's Peace and Love,
Mrs. Kwitowski

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!

UNIFORM EXCHANGE

We are now accepting items for our uniform exchange!
If your child has outgrown school uniforms you are welcome to donate them to the exchange. We will only accept items free of rips/stains.



Keep your eye on Facebook as we will post in August when the exchange will be set up to ‘shop’ for the upcoming school year.

NURSE NOTES

Just a couple reminders for next school. All students in Pre K, K, 1, 3, 5, and 7 and any new students to our school will need an updated physical/health appraisal form completed by their doctor. All students will need to be up to date with their immunizations. Please contact your child’s doctor to ensure they are. In addition to required vaccines, the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recently approved a vaccine against the virus that causes COVID-19 for emergency use for children ages 12 and over. Although fewer children have been infected with COVID-19 compared to adults, children can still become infected with the virus that causes COVID-19, they can become sick, and they can spread the virus to others. Increased COVID -19 vaccination rates amongst NYS’s school-aged children is critical in a continued return to normalcy in classroom settings this fall.

This school year has been anything but ordinary! Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we navigated a school year working through a health pandemic. It has not been easy but we made it to June and definitely learned a lot along the way! Stay healthy!

I hope everyone has a safe and fun summer break! Remember to use sunscreen and stay hydrated while playing in the sun. Be careful around water-use a life jacket if needed and make sure children are supervised by an adult at all time. Use bug spray as needed to minimize the chance of bug bites. Play appropriately and safely on the playground and on bikes/scooters.

I can’t wait to see all the kids back in September and hear about their summer adventures!

Mrs. Parker RN, BSN



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.

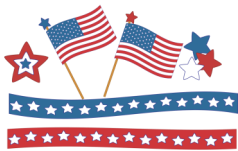


UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 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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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

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!***

scrip@smeschool.com

GOLF TOURNAMENT

When: Monday, July 26th
Where: Lancaster Country Club – NEW VENUE!

It is not too late to participate in the Golf Tournament!

From Raffles & Hole Sponsors all the way to Foursomes, there is an opportunity for all to help our fundraiser succeed!

Additional raffle tickets are available for pick up at any time up until the event. Ticket stubs can be mailed back or dropped into our secure lockbox located near our main door #1.

The flyer is available on our school & parish websites:

[3-3 Golf Flyer.pdf \(smeschool.com\)](#)

Or

[2021-Golf-Flyer-QR.pdf \(stmarysonthehill.org\)](#)

We are looking for extra help in our Cafeteria! Lunch Monitors would be needed from approximately 10:30-1:00. If you or a grandparent/aunt/uncle are interested please contact Mrs. Kwitowski (kwitowskik@smeschool.com).

Thank you!

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!

Refer to the 6/9 electronic NewsNote for the flyer & 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.



4TH OF JULY PARADE

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



VIRTUAL SPRING CONCERT

If you have not had a chance to view our virtual concert which was posted on Facebook yesterday, you can view it from the following link:

<https://youtu.be/dSP6Vg2hrUc>

We got the OK to sing with masks just a few weeks before the videos needed to be taken, but there was no way I was going to pass up the opportunity to sing with the students (even though it was the first time all year.)

We have most of our classes singing songs while others are playing in Choirchime choirs, or bucket drumming ensembles. The 6th through 8th graders are truly reading the music they are playing, the 4th grade accompanies themselves with Choirchimes while they sing a song in unison and in a round, and the PK classes, 2nd and 3rd grades each sing selected parts of songs but their videos combine the singing into one piece without the students ever being in the same room. The Kindergartens, 1st, and 5th grades sing songs with motions, actions, and dances.

We hope you enjoy watching the students and thank you so much for being part of our SME family!!!
~ Mr. Hunter

The Five W's Of Life

Who you are is what makes you special. Do not change for anyone.

What lies ahead will always be a mystery. Do not be afraid to explore.

When life pushes you over, you push back harder.

Where there are choices to make, make the one you won't regret.

Why things happen will never be certain. Take it in stride and move forward.

8TH GRADE



*Wishing our
Graduating
Class
all the best
as they begin
their next
chapter!*

STAY IN THE KNOW



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

McKay's Clothing

851 Abbott Rd.
Buffalo, N.Y. 14220
824-7900
www.mckaysclothing.com

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!!!!

School uniforms 2021-2022

St. Mary's Elementary School

Store Hours:

Monday, Thursday, Friday - 10 am-8pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday- 10am- 6pm
(July & August- Monday 10am- 6pm)

Best selections before August

Shop early for special sizes

Layaway available

Located on Abbott Rd. between Ridge Rd. and
Mercy Hospital- next to Rite Aid

| Description- Girls | Sizes | Price |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Plaid Jumpers 194-55 | 5-14 | \$36.99 |
| - Grades- K-5 | Plus sizes | \$37.99 |
| Skorts - Navy or Khaki | 4 - 20 | \$9.99 - \$11.99 |
| - Grades - K - 8 | Plus | \$11.99 - \$12.99 |
| Pants - Navy or Khaki | 4 - 20 | \$9.99 - \$16.99 |
| - Grades - K-8 | Plus | \$12.99 - \$16.99 |
| Shorts - Navy or Khaki | 4 - 20 | \$9.99 - \$11.99 |
| - Grades - K- 8 (Sept/Oct. & May/June) | Plus | \$12.99 |
| Pater Pan Blouses- white | S/S- 5-20 | \$7.99 |
| -Grade K-5 | L/S- 6-16 | \$8.99 |
| Polo Shirts- Embroidered w/ school logo | S/S- Youth- XS- XL | \$13.99 |
| - White/ Navy / Red | S/S- Adult- S-XL | \$15.99 |
| | L/S- Youth- XS- XL | \$14.99 |
| | L/S- Adult- S- XL | \$16.99 |
| Knee sox- white/ navy | All sizes | 3 pack for \$6.99 |
| Fleece - Navy with embroidered logo | Youth - XS - L | \$24.99 |
| - Full or ¼ zip | Adult - XS - XXL | \$26.99 |
| Description- Boys | Sizes | Price |
| Pants- Navy or Khaki | 4-20 | \$9.99 - \$14.99 |
| | Husky | \$12.99 - \$16.99 |
| Shorts - Navy or Khaki | 4-20 | \$9.99 - \$12.99 |
| | Husky | \$12.99 - \$13.99 |
| Polo Shirts- w/ school logo | S/S- Youth- XS- XL | \$13.99 |
| - White/ Navy / Red | S/S- Adult- S-XL | \$15.99 |
| | L/S- Youth- XS- XL | \$14.99 |
| | L/S- Adult- S- XL | \$16.99 |
| Oxford Cloth Shirts- White | S/S- Youth- 8-20 | \$12.99 |
| - Button down collar | L/S- Youth- 8 - 20 | \$13.99 |
| | S/S- Men's - S- XXL | \$15.99 |
| | L/S- Men's- S- XXL | \$16.99 |
| Fleece - Navy with embroidered logo | Youth - XS - L | \$24.99 |
| - Full or ¼ zip | Adult - XS - XXL | \$26.99 |
| Socks - Navy or White crew | 6 pack | \$6.99 |