

NEWSNOTE



FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK...

Dear SME Families,

SME’s largest and most important fundraiser of the year is our Mega Raffle. This year, our event is June 6, 2025, at St. Mary’s High School. Our event planning committee has worked very hard to ensure that the evening will be not just a success, but also fun! Some additional information:

- **Mega Raffle 2025 is a themed party!** It would be so much fun and we are encouraging guests to dress to our 70’s Disco Night theme. Decorations, the food menu, and music will all work together to create a fun atmosphere.
- Mega Raffle 2025 is also a **cash raffle**. Your \$100 ticket admits two guests to the party, but also enters you into raffles. On June 6, we will be drawing winning numbers for five \$125 prizes, two \$500 prizes, a \$1000 prize, a \$2,500 prize, a \$10,000 prize and our grand prize of \$35,000.
- **Mega Raffle 2025 is our school’s biggest and most important fundraiser of the year.** We are raising money to support our **Arts Program** and to continue to update and grow our **school’s educational technology**. Without your financial support, we will not be able to offer as much as we would like to our students.

Please fulfill your family’s commitment to purchasing TWO tickets to this year’s Mega Raffle event. Buy or sell two tickets and bring a total of up to four guests to come enjoy our 70’s party on June 6!

Mr. O

HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the 43 students who received Holy Communion for the first time on May 3rd & 4th!! \*14 of these students are SME students!

*Our Father, We come before You with grateful hearts, seeing Your abundant blessings upon our First Communicants. May they feel Your love and grace as they partake in this sacred journey. Strengthen their faith, fill them with joy, and guide them in their spiritual growth. Let this holy moment be a cherished memory, drawing them closer to You always. Amen.*



- **Wed 5/14** - NYS Math Testing
- **Fri. 5/16** - Hope Ribbon Mass, 8:30am
- **Fri. 5/23** - No School
- **Mon. 5/26** - No School
- **Tues. 5/27** - Color Run, 5:30pm
- **Wed. 6/4** - CW Awards Mass, Spring Concert at 9:45am
- **Thurs. 6/5** - Pre-K Moving Up Day
- **Fri. 6/6** - Pre-School Graduation Day, Mega Raffle at 7pm
- **Mon. - Thurs. 6/9-6/12** Final Exams
- **Wed. 6/11** - Kindergarten Graduation, 9am
- **Fri. 6/13** - School Picnic
- **Wed. 6/18** - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- **Thurs. 6/19** - No School: Juneteenth
- **Fri. 6/20** - 8th Grade Graduation

COLOR RUN VOLUNTEERS

Our Color Run event will be a fun-filled event designed to promote wellness, community spirit and of course a splash of color all while helping our STREAM program.

To make this event a success, we are looking for volunteers to help us out.

If interested, please use the link below to sign up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EAEAA23A6F5C70-56582581-color#/>



HSA

**Thank You!**  
Over the last couple of weeks, we hosted our spring Book Fair, Teacher Appreciation Week and Penny Fair. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and donated treats. Your generosity and support are truly appreciated!

**School Picnic**  
The final HSA event for the year is the School Picnic, which will be held on Friday, June 13th during the school day! Room parents are encouraged to attend with their child's class, if possible, and many other volunteers will be needed to help out at the various stations. Please save the date and be on the lookout for a volunteer sign-up link and schedule in the coming weeks. We're looking forward to a fun-filled day to celebrate the end of the school year!

SPORTS BANQUET

The Sports Banquet will be at:

**Joseph's Catering**  
275 Columbia Ave.,  
Depew, NY 14043  
on

**June 3rd, 2025 at 6pm**

**Click the link below or scan the QR code to RSVP:**  
<https://sportsbanquet.cheddarup.com>



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UPON THIS HILL,  
WE DO GOD'S WILL



### SPIRIT WEAR

Please use the link below to complete your purchase:

<https://sme-spirit-wear.cheddarup.com>

Once the payment is received, I will send the shirts home with your student or contact you to arrange pick up later this week/early next week.

### UNIFORM ORDERS

Uniforms will be available for ordering on a monthly basis! All orders placed within the month-long period will be processed by All-Stars.

Please click the link below to place your order :)

<https://all-stars.printavo.com/merch/stmary-smonthly>

### MEGA RAFFLE

Buy your Mega tickets today!

Tickets sold: 350

Tickets remaining: 650

**When:** June 6, 2025 at 7:00PM

**Where:** St. Mary's High School

**Cost:** \$100.00 a ticket which includes (2) guests

\*The top prize is \$35,000 with 13 other prizes to win\*

Purchase tickets at the link below!

<https://mega-affle-2025.cheddarup.com>



### FROM THE ART ROOM

Thank you SME families for making the SME Spring 2025 ART Show a priority on such a busy Thursday evening. It was gratifying to see so many students and their families on May 1st at the event. Artwork will remain on display for 2-3 weeks. All portfolios will be sent home in June.

**On Tuesday, May 13th Notre Dame Academy, hosted the 35th Annual Diocesan Art Exhibit. Please see attachment of which SME students were selected to exhibit their Artwork at this event. Congratulations to all!**

### YEARBOOK DISTRIBUTION

- ⇒ 8th Grade - Thursday, May 29th
- ⇒ Kindergarten - 7th Grade - Friday, May 30th
- ⇒ Pre K 3 & Pre K 4 - Friday, May 30th or the week of June 2nd



#### PRE-K MOVING UP & GRADUATION CEREMONIES

##### **PreK 3 - June 5th**

Ms. Bartkowiak's class 9:30a-10:15a  
Ms. Swierczynski's class 10:30a-11:15a  
Ms. Hayden's class 11:30a-12:15p

##### **PreK 4 - June 6th**

Ms. Swierczynski's class 9:30a-10:15a  
Mrs. Roller's class 10:30a-11:15a  
Ms. Weiss' class 11:30a-12:15p  
Mrs. O'Grady's class 12:30p-1:15p

##### **Kindergarten - June 11th**

Mrs. Guenther & Mrs. Marrano's classes at 9am

### SCHOOL PLAY - THE ARISTOCATS

We are thrilled to announce that St. Mary's Elementary will be proudly presenting

**Disney's \*\*The Aristocats\*\* !**

Join us for a delightful rendition of this beloved classic that promises fun and entertainment for the whole family.

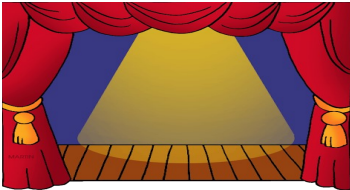
#### **Showtimes:**

May 16th at 7 PM  
May 17th at 11 AM & 2 PM

Doors will open 30 minutes prior to each performance, so make sure to arrive early to grab your seats!

#### **Ticket Information:**

Adults: \$8  
Kids: \$5



Tickets are available for purchase using the QR code above, link below or at the door (cash or check only), so don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to support our talented students and enjoy a fantastic show!

We look forward to seeing you there for an unforgettable experience filled with laughter and joy!

### HOPE RIBBON

*Hope Ribbon* is a special day for our 8th graders. While at mass, *Hope Ribbons* are blessed and pinned onto the 8th grade students' shoulder by a person who is important to them in any/many ways.

*Hope Ribbons* are worn for the rest of the school year as a reminder of their years at SME and as symbols of hope as they look forward to their graduation and future.

Save the Date!

Friday, May 16th at 8:30am

Reception to follow in the PC

### RAISE RIGHT

Updated Office Hours:

**Monday 12p-2:15p**  
**Tuesday 9a-12p**  
**Wednesday 12p-2:15p**

All online and school orders will be checked on Fridays and go home on Monday if inventory allows.

If you have any questions, please email [raiserright@smeschool.com](mailto:raiserright@smeschool.com).

Our team is here for you!

### SWIM TEAM

SME is looking to see if we can field our own swim team next year!

Please fill out the following interest form so we can determine if we can have our own team, or if we need to merge with a closer school.

<https://forms.gle/hcUTnhAKFYXhu3hjZ>





St. Mary's Elementary Presents:

Disney

# THE ARISTOCATS KIDS



Showtimes:

May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm

May 17th @ 11am & 2pm

**\*\* Doors open 30 minutes prior to the performance \*\***



St. Mary's Elementary  
2 St. Mary's Hill  
Lancaster, NY 14086

Tickets Available at  
the Door  
\$8 Adults  
\$5 Kids



SCAN ME

Music & Lyrics by

Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman,

Al Rinker and Floyd Huddleston, Terry Gilkyson

Music Adapted and Arranged and Additional Music and Lyrics by

Bryan Louiselle

Book Adapted and Additional Lyrics by Michael Bernard

Based on the 1970 Disney film The Aristocats

Disney's The Aristocats KIDS is  
presented through special  
arrangement with and all authorized  
materials are supplied by

Music Theatre International, New  
York, NY

212-541-4684 [mtishows.com](http://mtishows.com)



10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEGA RAFFLE PRESENTS

# DISCO NIGHT



## BRINGING BACK THE 70'S

\$100  
Donation

Need not be present to win.

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JUNE  
06



TICKET ADMITS 2

Includes food,  
drinks, music,  
& a great time!

Hosted at  
St. Mary's  
High School



# T-Shirt Order Form

## Each shirt is \$20 - any size

Name:

Homeroom Teacher:

Phone:

E-mail:



Adult	Youth
<input type="checkbox"/> S	<input type="checkbox"/> S
<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> M
<input type="checkbox"/> L	<input type="checkbox"/> L
<input type="checkbox"/> XL	<input type="checkbox"/> XL
<input type="checkbox"/> 2X	
<input type="checkbox"/> 3X	
Quantity:	Quantity:

**LOVE FOR LUCAS - OUR BELOVED KINDERGARTENER LUCAS ROLLER IS FIGHTING CANCER AND HAS A TOUGH BATTLE AHEAD OF HIM. TO HELP SUPPORT ONE OF OUR SME FAMILIES, WE ARE SELLING T-SHIRTS DESIGNED BY 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADER, AIDEN JOHNSON. ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE FAMILY. T-SHIRTS CAN BE WORN ANY DAY FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR IN LIEU OF A UNIFORM SHIRT. ON BEHALF OF THE ROLLER FAMILY, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT.**

### PAYMENT METHOD

- ☐ CASH
- ☐ CHECK
- ☐ CHEDDAR UP:  
[HTTPS://LUKESFIGHT.CHEDDARUP.COM](https://lukesfight.cheddarup.com)



TOTAL



**St. Mary's Elementary**  
**Art Teacher - Mrs. Kim Pesany-Au**

**35th Annual Diocesan Art Show - 2025**

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**Harper Koch**, Kindergarten  
**Grace Pivarunas**, Kindergarten  
**Mia Barber**, Kindergarten  
**Sophia Jackson**, Kindergarten

**Luca Casillo**, 1st Grade  
**Ivy Ta**, 1st Grade

**Preston Oche**, 2nd Grade  
**Zenith Tomaszewski**, 2nd Grade  
**Mary Barton**, 2nd Grade  
**Harlow Esskuchen-Santiago**, 2nd Grade

**Sean Diebold**, 3rd Grade  
**Naomi Vespa**, 3rd Grade

**Arianna Bald**, 4th Grade  
**Elyse Drzewiecki**, 4th Grade

**Madison Stark**, 5th Grade

**Allie Sass**, 6th Grade  
**Olivia Knight**, 6th Grade

**Haley Patro**, 7th Grade

**Aiden Johnson**, 8th Grade



**ROCKSTARS**

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

**CAMP**



Are you ready to rock and roll for Jesus? Led by the OLP Music Ministry, we invite all youth from k-8th grade to join us for a week of praise and worship! To sign up please contact [musicministry@olpparish.com](mailto:musicministry@olpparish.com)!

**SIGN UP FOR FREE!**

WE WELCOME ALL YOUTH FROM ALL PARISHES!!

**ACTIVITIES**

- Arts and Crafts
- Outdoor Games
- Singing and Dancing
- Snack
- Outdoor Family Mass 8/7 at Noon with Picnic Lunch to follow! Families welcome!

**EVENT DATE**

MON-THURS  
**AUG 4-7**  
**2025**  
10-12:30pm

OLP CAMPUS  
129 LAVERACK AVE.  
LANCASTER NY

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUTH VOLUNTEERS  
9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE+ PLEASE CONTACT

[musicministry@olpparish.com](mailto:musicministry@olpparish.com)

**August 4 - 7, 2025**  
**10 am - 12:30 pm**

**FOR YOUTH**  
**KDG-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE!**

**SCAN THE QR CODE**  
**TO SIGN UP!**

