



CRUSADER CONNECTIONS

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

Important Dates

January 17: Early Dismissal (12:30pm) (**NO AFTERCARE**), & End of 2nd Quarter

January 20: No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

January 22: All St. Mary's Catholic School Mass (gr. 3-8, 10am at IHM)

January 24: March for Life

January 25: Movie Night

January 26 - February 1: Catholic Schools Week

January 29: International Night

January 31: Open House (10am)

February 1: Italian Dinner & Brown Bag Auction



Jan. 14, 2020

"With God all things are possible."

-Matthew 19:26

We have a 12:30pm Early Dismissal **this Friday, January 17th**. There will be **NO AFTERCARE**.

**EARLY
DISMISSAL**

No School: There will be no school on **Monday, January 20th** in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



Report Cards: The second quarter ends **this Friday, January 17th**. Report cards will be posted on the Parent Portal on Tuesday, January 28th. If you need assistance logging into the Parent Portal, please contact Mrs. Greer at fawscomputer@fatherandrewwhite.org.



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2020

January 26 - February 1
#CSW1920

Catholic Schools Week starts January 26th. To kick off the weeklong celebration, each of our three parishes will highlight our school at the weekend Masses on Saturday, January 25th and Sunday, January 26th. We are still in great need of Mass volunteers. We are seeking students who would like to serve as lectors, speakers, gift bearers, and altar servers at each parish. Please complete this form and return it to school tomorrow or email the information to Mrs. Greer at fawscomputer@fatherandrewwhite.org. <http://fatherandrewwhite.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/2020-CSW-Student-Volunteers-for-Mass-Invitation.pdf> All students who are selected will be notified by the end of the week. We hope all of our families will make an effort to attend Masses on this weekend. All students are asked to wear their school uniforms to Mass that weekend. Out of parish families are cordially invited to share in the liturgical celebration at St. Aloysius (Leonardtwn), St. Francis Xavier (Compton), or Our Lady of Medley's Neck. More information and a schedule of all the week's events will be sent home soon.





School Hours

8:00am - 2:35pm



FAW Annual Giving Campaign

As you may know, Father Andrew White School has an Annual Giving Campaign, where we reach out to families, alumni, and local parishioners to raise funds for the school. This year, we are raising funds to supplement our budget for major facility upgrades. Please refer to the letter on our website for more details. Thank you for prayerfully considering donating to this important fund that directly benefits our children.

"But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in Him."

~ 1 John 2:5

How can you keep your word this week?

- Practice the virtue of fidelity!
- Keep your commitments!
- Be trustworthy!



Volleyball: Calling all middle schoolers - FAW has the opportunity to play volleyball against other local public and private middle schoolers in a co-ed tournament setting. We are seeking students who are interested in playing on our FAW team. Please see the attached flyer for the details. Interest Forms can be sent back to school to Coach Linda Greer or emailed directly (Lindagreer@gmail.com) **no later**



than next Tuesday, January 21st. For more information, please contact her at Lindagreer@gmail.com.



Save the date! On Saturday, Jan. 25, 2020, we will have a Family Movie Night. Please see the attached flyers for more details!

Inclement Weather: All Catholic Schools will follow St. Mary's County Public School closings and delayed openings due to inclement weather. There will be NO separate notice for Catholic schools. Closings are announced on radio stations especially WMDM-FM 97.7, WKIK-FM 102.9, WSMD-FM 98.3. Also TV Channels 4, 5, 7, & 9. You



will also be notified by our new notification system with a telephone call or text message from Ms. Francisco. **EXCEPTION TO THIS:** If there is a delay in starting school on a day we are scheduled for a 12:30pm dismissal, we will start school 2 hours late and dismiss at 2:30pm. On these days all children must bring a lunch as hot lunch will not be served.

Kohl's gift cards can be used to pay your Kohl's credit card bill in the store! Double dip with your Kohl's charge card rewards AND a 4% SCRIP rebate! We have \$25 and \$100 Kohl's cards in stock, or you can order electronic cards in increments of \$50 and \$100. Please note: The SCRIP lady will not be in the car line on Friday. Please send your orders in to school.



SHOE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

**FAW Destination Imagination teams
are collecting shoes!**

100 Bag GOAL



**Drop your Gently Worn, Used and New shoes
for FAW Destination Imagination!**

Help the FAW Destination Imagination teams to raise money for their competitions by donating your gently worn (or new), unwanted shoes! Shoes of all kinds and sizes are welcome! Shoes must be intact and have shoelaces (if needed). Shoes are then taken to be distributed to those in need and FAW gets a monetary donation of \$1,000 if we collect 100 bags of 25 shoes! Please consider donating your shoes today by putting them in the shoe collection box in the school lobby! The collection runs through February 1st.

<http://fatherandrewwhite.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/FAW-DI-Shoe-Drive-Flyer-2019.pdf>

“The time is always right to do what is right.”

~ Martin Luther King Jr.

Italian Dinner Volunteer Opportunities: Our Annual Italian Dinner is right around the corner and we have a number of volunteer opportunities for our FAW families. Please see this link that provides a list of the many different ways you can help at our upcoming Italian Dinner.

<http://fatherandrewwhite.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/2020-Italian-Dinner-and-Brown-Bag-Auction-Volunteer-Opportunities.pdf> There is something for everyone! Be on the lookout for a special incentive as well! For more information, please contact Rachel Richards at 240-538-2243 or via email at FAWItalianDinner@gmail.com.

Italian Dinner Ticket Sales: This year, we are offering ticket pre-sales. Save yourself the wait in line at the door and enjoy your hot meal faster. You'll find an envelope in your child's Tuesday folder. Just fill out the front and place cash or a check (made out to FAW) for the number of tickets needed and send it back. Tickets will be sent home with your child.

2020 Brown Bag Auction: Mark your calendars for one of FAW's most exciting events! The annual Brown Bag Auction is set to occur during the Italian Dinner on Saturday, February 1, 2020. Join us for a great family dinner and take a chance on one, or many, themed baskets of goodies. In order to prepare these marvelous baskets, we need your generosity of newly donated items, or a themed basket full of fun and exciting items. Anything that you can give would be greatly appreciated in order to make this event a huge success. If you received anything at Christmas that you may not want, simply “regift/donate” that item and we will create a basket for the event. In addition to the items needed to fill the baskets we will also require the actual baskets to put the items in and/or plastic wrap to wrap the baskets. If you have any questions about this event please feel free to contact Doris Fowler at 443-447-2124. Thank you for dropping off your donations of new items to the school office.

Italian Dinner
Family Style Dining
Saturday, February 1st
4pm - 8pm

All you can eat!
Spaghetti, Meatballs,
Italian Sausage, 9 Drinks
Donation Dessert Buffet

Adults: \$10
Kids 4-12: \$5
3 & Under: Free

Brown Bag Auction
FATHER ANDREW WHITE S.J., SCHOOL
22650 Washington Street, Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-9795

See the attached
flyer regarding a
special Catholic
Schools Week
Writing Contest!!



Handbook Highlight: "If a child is running a fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit, is nauseated or ill at home before school starts, PLEASE DO NOT SEND THE CHILD TO SCHOOL. Sending the child to school exposes others to possible illness. **When a student will be absent from school due to an illness, a parent is required to call the school office with the nature of the illness. A note from the parent stating the reason for the absence is required when the child returns to school.**

Children will be sent home if any of the following conditions exist, so please keep your child home in the morning if he/she exhibits:

- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Severe cough
- Yellowish, watery or red eyes
- Difficult or rapid breathing
- Abnormal body temperature or fever (below 97 degrees or above 100 degrees)
- Severe headache
- Live head lice

Once parents of sick children are contacted by the school office, immediate pickup would be appreciated due to the limited health care facilities at school.

For cases of strep infection, ringworm, impetigo, conjunctivitis (pink eye) and other contagious conditions, a child MUST be on antibiotics for 24 - 48 hours prior to returning to school. A doctor's note is required in order to return. A child's temperature should be within normal range for at least 24 hours before returning to school after an illness. **Children MUST be free from nausea, diarrhea and vomiting for 24 hours before returning to school."**



Save the Dates: Our Open Houses to invite interested new families to visit our wonderful school will be held on Friday, January 31st, 10:00 – 11:30am and Sunday, February 23rd, 12:00 – 1:00pm. We appreciate that our families are the best ambassadors for FAW and your word of mouth about our school is the best PR we have! Please help us get the word out about our Open Houses to all prospective family and friends, especially for grades PK – 5.

Note from Nurse Bates: With cold and flu season upon us, it's a good time to remind your children of the importance of prevention, especially by frequent hand washing and covering our mouths when we cough or sneeze. Also, please review the handbook on our school's health policies, such as when to keep your children home and what to do if sending in any medications. As always, feel free to contact me with any questions.

Weekly Reminders:

- Send in Shoes for our Shoe Drive
- Make a donation to our Annual Giving Campaign
- Volunteer for our Italian Dinner
- Buy Italian Dinner Tickets
- Sign up your child to be a lector, gift bearer, altar server, or speaker at the CSW Masses
- Participate in the CSW Writing Contest (by Tuesday)
- Find items for our Brown Bag Auction
- Spread the word regarding our Open Houses
- Send FAW news to FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org

