



Father Andrew White S. J. School

National Blue Ribbon School



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 2, 2018

Important Upcoming Dates

Jan. 5: First Friday Mass (9am, hosted by 8th grade)

Jan. 10: Early Dismissal (12:30pm) & Ledo's Spirit Night (4-8pm)

Jan. 15: No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

Jan. 19: March for Life & End of 2nd Quarter

Jan. 28 - Feb. 3: Catholic Schools Week

Jan. 31: International Night

Tuition: Tuition envelopes are going home **today, January 2nd**. Anyone who elected to pay on the 1/2 year basis your second payment is due. All tuition should be in by the 15th of each month. Please check your tuition payment schedule to see if your account is up to date. Just a reminder that handbook policy states that tuition must be up to date by March 1st in order to register your child for the next school year. If you are having problems with the tuition payment, please contact Ms. Francisco.

Faith Calendar: We hope your family completed some of the activities listed on the December calendar. Please remember to put your family's name on the calendar before turning it in to ensure your child gets recognized at morning prayers for participating in this fruitful activity. All calendars are due **tomorrow, Wednesday, January 3, 2018**.

First Friday Mass: **This Friday, January 5th**, we will have a First Friday Mass hosted by our 8th grade at 9am. All families are encouraged to join us.

Labels for Education: The Campbell's Labels for Education Program has officially ended. A special thank you goes out to Mrs. Richardson who has coordinated this program for several years. We also appreciate all those that loyally clipped and returned the labels.

Advent Service Project: WARM (Wrapping Arms Round Many) and Camp Maria Retreat Center would like to thank FAW families for your very generous support of the homeless during Christmas week. The WARM guests were so excited to receive gifts of socks, gum, snacks, chapstick, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and more. We are also thankful that Mrs. Pietsch and Mrs. Longmore's families were able to stay at Camp Maria and minister to our local homeless on Christmas Eve. Thank you all for bringing a little brightness into the lives of many in our county who are less fortunate than us.

SCRIP: Remember, gift cards aren't just for giving! We stock gift cards for many retailers you use on a daily basis. Use our gift cards for your grocery shopping and gas purchases all year long!

FAW Annual Giving Campaign: Thank you to all that have contributed! Our goal for this year's Father Andrew White School Annual Giving Campaign is to raise funds to improve our technology. **We are still looking for donations to help us purchase more equipment that directly benefits our students.** We thank you in advance for prayerfully considering donating to this important fund. For your convenience, you are welcome to pay using a credit card via Paypal. For the Paypal link and more information, please visit our website:

<http://fatherandrewwhite.org/annual-giving-campaign/become-a-technology-sponsor/>

Italian Dinner: Come make meatballs for our upcoming Italian Dinner! We are looking for volunteers to join us in the school kitchen on Monday, January 15th starting at 10am. To help with this, please contact Dana Goldstein at 240-298-4205 or email FAWItalianDinner@gmail.com.

Brown Bag Auction: The annual Brown Bag Auction will be occurring during the Italian Dinner on Saturday, February 3, 2018. Donations for the various baskets are now being accepted. If you have anything that you would like to donate, or you would like to put together a basket of your own, we will be collecting all items or finished baskets through January 31, 2018. Anything that you can give would be greatly appreciated in order to make this event a huge success. You can either drop the items off at school in the front office with Mrs. Bowles or you can contact Amy Ashley or Wendy Perraut for pick-up: Amy - Ashley@md.metrocast.net or 240-577-5559, Wendy - wllewis23@hotmail.com.

Flu Clinics: St. Mary's County Health Department has one more flu clinic on Friday, January 19th. Clinic times are: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Flu shots are free to children 6 months through 18 years old. Please also note you can also call the Health Department and set up individual appointment times to bring your children to the clinic. You can contact them at [301-475-4330](tel:301-475-4330).

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 School Messenger with a telephone call from Ms. Francisco. EXCEPTION TO THIS: If there is a delay in starting school on a day we are scheduled for a 12:30 dismissal, we will start school 2 hours late and dismiss at 2:30. On these days all children must bring a lunch as hot lunch will not be served.

FAW News Email: Do you have an announcement you'd like to put in our weekly bulletin? Or perhaps you went to a FAW game or event and you'd like to share some information. We have created an email where you can send pictures, blurbs, etc. This will help us get new items in our bulletin and local newspapers. Email: FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org

Weekly Checklist

- Return the Faith Calendar (tomorrow)
- Attend First Friday Mass (Friday)
- Check your tuition payment schedule
- Send FAW news to FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org
- Find items for our Brown Bag Auction
- Donate to our Annual Giving Campaign