



Father Andrew White S. J. School

National Blue Ribbon School



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 14, 2017

Important Upcoming Dates

Nov. 15: An Evening with Shakespeare (7pm at St. Mary's Ryken)

Nov. 16: Dedication & Memorial Service for Mrs. Gaston (9am)

Nov. 20: School Picture Make Up Day

Nov. 21: Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon

No Aftercare

Nov. 22 - 24: No School - Thanksgiving Holiday

Nov. 30: Science & History Fair Viewing & Awards

FAW Drama: Please come see the FAW Theater Department's "Evening of Shakespeare." They will be performing kid-friendly versions of two of the Bard's most famous works - "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "Hamlet." The show will be **tomorrow, Wednesday November 15th at 7pm** onstage at St. Mary's Ryken. Admission is free but donations are accepted (with all proceeds going to the spring musical). There will also be baked goods and Star Grams available for purchase.

Santa Shop: In an effort to have the appropriate amount of gifts purchased for the Santa Shop, **please return your envelopes with payment for the gifts by tomorrow, Wednesday, November 15th.** During school hours on Friday, December 1st, our children will be able to experience the joy of choosing their own Christmas presents for family members and pets. The Santa Shop will be held in the gym and your children will be able to select from an inventory of pre-purchased gifts for those on their shopping list. Gifts will be set up on tables and displayed by category (Moms, Grandmas, Dads, Grandpas, Brothers, Sisters, and Pets). In last week's Tuesday envelope there was a Santa Shop flyer with an envelope attached to the back of the flyer. On the front of the envelope, children will be able to list the names of the people they are shopping for and how many gifts they are buying. Each gift is \$3. Parent volunteers will assist the

children during their shopping experience and gifts will come home wrapped and ready to be placed under the tree!! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Linda at Lindagreer@gmail.com.

SCRIP: If you are planning to shop on Black Friday or Cyber Monday, remember to use scrip! Set up Presto Pay to allow you to access e-cards almost immediately! Before you checkout online or in store, tally your purchases and buy a scrip e-card. Enter the code or show your phone to the cashier. If you prefer to use a physical card, we have a number of retailers in stock including Amazon, Under Armour, Old Navy, Gap, Dick's, Best Buy, and Cabelas. If we don't have what you need in stock, **we will place an order tomorrow, November 15th** for delivery before Thanksgiving break.

Flu Shots: St. Mary's County Health Department is holding one more flu shot clinic at their facility in November. The date is **November 15th** from 8:00am - 12:00pm. No appointments are needed. Flu shots will be given on a walk-in basis. Flu shots are free for children ages 6 months to 18 years old. Adults are a \$25 fee. St. Mary's Health Department is located at 21580 Peabody Street, Leonardtown, MD. This will be our only opportunity for Flu clinics through the health department. They have already held their clinics at the local public schools.

Mrs. Gaston's Dedication & Memorial Service: As many of you are aware, we lost our beloved 1st grade teacher, Mrs. Gaston this past summer. On her birthday **this Thursday, November 16th**, we want to honor her beautiful life. Students will participate in a memorial prayer service with a special dedication. Please help us celebrate by allowing your child to **participate in a tag day**. See the flyer attached for more details. Also, if your children still have their mini class mascots, **we encourage them to bring them in on that day as well**.

White House Christmas Ornament: The HSA is selling the White House Christmas Ornament again this year. The ornaments are \$22.50 each, or for orders of 12 or more, \$19. Please see the the flyer attached for more information. Please note: orders should be placed no later than **this Friday, November 17th**. Contact Kelly White at kellykwhite@msn.com or 240-434-2202 with any questions.

Active Duty Names Request: Our students are interested in making cards of appreciation for our military. We are specifically asking for names and addresses of service members actively serving overseas. Please send this information to Mrs. Sarlo at faws8@fatherandrewwhite.org .

Picture Make Up Day: If you were absent or need your pictures retaken, our makeup day is Monday, Nov. 20th.

Reminder: There is NO Aftercare on Tuesday November 21st.

Report Card Conference Bake Sale: Thank you for participating in our report card conference bake sale. Your generosity helped raise \$436 for "Mighty Max," a FAW extended family member's battle with leukemia.

Volunteers Needed: We need your help for two important events:

1.) The Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 21st will be a wonderful family gathering if we have enough helpers to serve the food and help in the kitchen. All volunteers will have time to eat with their families. There are multiple times and jobs to choose from; if you can fill more than one, please let us know. Please consider volunteering for this event. If you can help in any way, please contact Sue Robusto at suehensley@hotmail.com. Thank you! We will be serving over 500 people and would be very grateful if you can offer some time before or after you eat with your family. We will also need families to donate desserts. Since we had the primary grades provide desserts for Grandparents Day and the older grades bring in cakes for Fall Fun Day, we are requesting the middle grades to provide desserts for our Thanksgiving Luncheon.

3rd grade - Pie

4th grade - Cake/Cupcakes

5th grade - Brownies

6th grade - Cookies

2.) We also need judges for our Science Fair and History Fair on Thursday, November 30th! The projects will be set up in the gym and score sheets will be ready for both subject areas. This combined Academic Fair will need judges between 9:00am – 12:00pm. Please check your calendars and offer some time if possible to see the great work our students are presenting. Please return the attached judging volunteer form to Mrs. Sarlo to designate the area you wish to judge. Thank you!

Thanksgiving Luncheon: This year we will have our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon **next Tuesday, November 21st**. Family members are invited to have lunch with the children on this day. The children in PK-K-I-2 will eat at 11:30, 3-4-5 will eat at 12:00 and 6-7-8 will eat at 12:30. When parents arrive for lunch, all the children in your family will be called to eat with you. Please notify us in the office

when you arrive and we will call the students. Families may pay online (with the regular lunch menu ordering system) or you may choose to pay for this luncheon at the door. For questions, or to be a volunteer, please contact Sue Robusto (suehensley@hotmail.com) or Kristin Guy (jamey.kristin@gmail.com).

While you're buying your groceries for Thanksgiving dinner, remember to keep in mind ways to support our school. Using scrip, and saving Box Tops and Tyson Food Labels is a quick way to help our school.

Tyson Food Labels: The Tyson Foods Project A+ program is one of the simplest ways to support Father Andrew White School. For every label that we turn in, we earn 24¢ to use for art supplies, enrichment activities, athletics, special events, etc.! These labels can really add up and be of great benefit to our school. Thank you for keeping an eye out for them. They can be submitted to the school or in the box in the church vestibule.

Food Drive: It's that time of the year again when our Student Council is organizing a canned food drive for Loaves & Fishes, a local food bank. Their ministry feeds approximately 12,000 people in the local community each year, and we want to help stock their food pantry for the holidays. A box will be placed in each classroom, and the Student Council will deliver the items to the food bank. All items are due to the school by **Tuesday, November 21st**. Thank you for your participation and generosity

Here is the list of foods and the assigned classes:

- PK - Canned corn
- K - Boxes of individual packets of oatmeal
- 1 - Boxes of pasta
- 2 - Canned green beans
- 3 - Canned fruit
- 4 - Peanut butter
- 5 - Boxes of mashed potatoes
- 6 - Canned soup
- 7 - Cans of pasta sauce
- 8 - Boxes of macaroni and cheese

Lunch Orders: The last day to order December's lunch menu will be **Sunday, November 26th**. Kindly remember, no late orders will be accepted. To order, please use your Orgsonline.com account. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hinkle at fawslunch@fatherandrewwhite.org.

Winter Uniforms: If you have any uniforms that your children have outgrown, please consider dropping them off in the school lobby. Looking for used school uniforms? We have a large inventory of items. Please contact our coordinator, Amanda Evans at tawevans@mac.com to see if we have what you need.

Coat Drive: The Diocesan "Coats of Many Colors" Drive is once again underway! Every school and parish in the diocese has been asked to collect coats that will be distributed to those in need throughout all counties. Coats for men, women, and children of all ages will be very much appreciated. There is a need for XXL size coats and larger. A prayer card or written note placed in a coat pocket has been requested. We will have boxes in the school lobby for the collection. The coats must be clean and in good condition. Please check your closets for coats of all sizes! Thank you for your kindness!

2018-2019 ADW Tuition Assistance Program: Applications for next year's Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program is now available. The deadline date for returning families to apply is fast approaching. **Please remember to apply by Friday, December 1, 2017.** Families may apply online by logging onto <http://adw.org/tuition-assistance/> and then click on the "TADS – Financial Aid Application" link. **Any families who think they will need tuition assistance for the 2018-19 school year MUST APPLY THROUGH THIS ADW PROGRAM FIRST, before asking for aid from FAW.**

Spring Auction & Social: Mark your calendars and join us at our next Auction and Social Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 6pm in the Olde Town Pub poker room. Share your ideas and help us get the ball down the field. In particular, we're looking to draft team members to help with soliciting businesses for sponsorships, advertisements, and auction item donations in the coming months.

Remember to like and follow our Facebook page for details on the event, auction item previews, and shout outs to our generous sponsors as our planning season progresses. Search @FAWAuctionSocial or click the following link to access our page <https://www.facebook.com/FAWAuctionSocial/>

Weekly Checklist

- Attend our Evening of Shakespeare (tomorrow, 7pm at SMR)
- Support the school by ordering SCRIP before holiday shopping (tomorrow)
- Return Santa Shop Envelopes with payment (tomorrow)
- Consider ordering a White House Christmas Ornament (by Friday)
- Donate used uniforms

- Donate coats
- Volunteer for our Thanksgiving Luncheon, Science and History Fair, or Santa Shop
- Send in non-perishable items for the Food Drive (by Nov. 21st)