

Crusader Connections

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

April 4, 2023



Important Dates

April 6: Holy Thursday & Early Dismissal (12:30pm)

April 7: Good Friday & No School

April 7 - 17: Easter & Spring Break - No School

April 18: School Resumes for Students & Faith Rally & Brown Bag Auction Begins

April 19: Military Child Celebration Day

April 21: Spring Social & Auction

April 25: MAP Growth Testing Begins (grades 2-8)

April 27: Talent Show

April 28: Middle School Monthly Activity

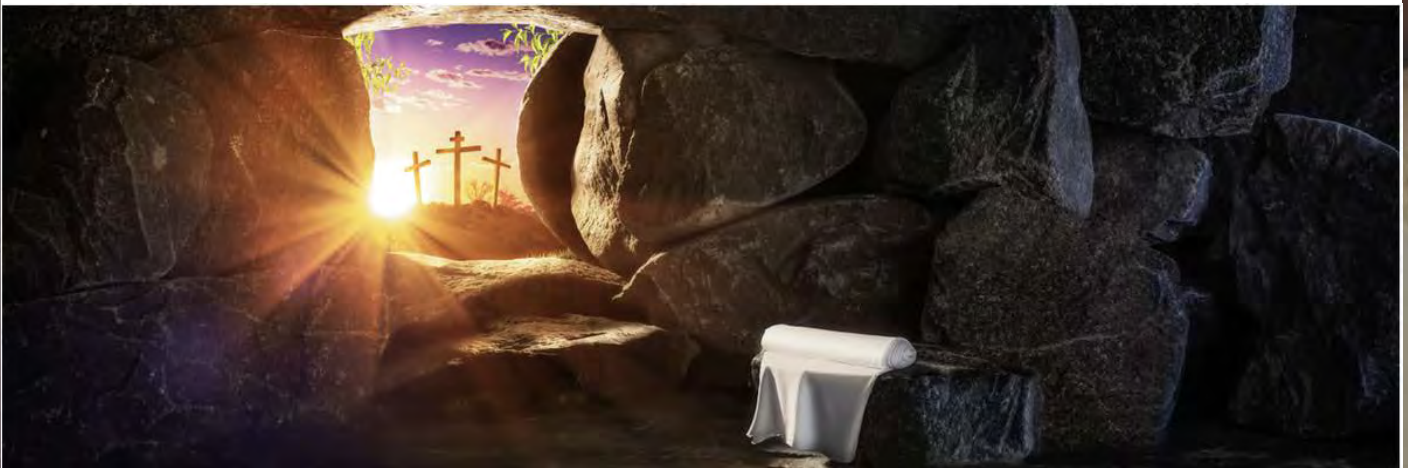


Schedule Reminder

This Thursday, April 6th we have a 12:30pm Early Dismissal. This begins our Spring Break! We hope you have a blessed Easter!

Mark your Calendars!

Teachers will now have a professional day on Monday, April 17th. This means your children will have an extra day of Easter/Spring break! School (for students) will resume on Tuesday, April 18th.



Holy Week and Easter Message

As we experience these next few days, among the holiest days of the Church year, we are assured that the darkness of Good Friday will give way to the great joy of the Resurrection of our Savior on Easter Sunday. May God bless the Father Andrew White School family with the steadfast hope and joy of Jesus during this Easter season!



Spring Uniforms are in Effect

Spring uniforms officially began yesterday, Monday, April 3rd. Thank you to all of you who so generously donate outgrown uniforms.

Our students love to be active at recess! Please ensure your child wears shorts under jumpers or skirts.



Log Your Volunteer Hours

Please remember to [keep your logged volunteer hours](#) up to date! You should have about 19 hours by this point to be on track for your 25 hour requirement (for Service Scholarship families).

Destination Imagination Essential Items Drive

The DI teams will be collecting essential items (shampoo, toothpaste, soaps, etc.) this week as a Lenten offering to restock the DI Cabin of God's Love housed outside of Our Lady of the Wayside. Please send in any essential items (travel size and full sizes accepted) any day between now and April 6th. The Cabin of God's Love was a Destination Imagination service project created by a FAW DI team in 2019. The "Cabin" is stocked with donated items for those visiting the food pantry to take what they need, at no cost. FAW DI proudly support this effort on a continual basis year after year. Thank you for supporting our DI teams and our community in this way!



Please contact Mrs. Cacko at cacko@fatherandrewwhite.org with any questions.



Destination Imagination 2023 State Competition

Congratulations to all of our FAW DI teams who competed in the Maryland State Competition over the weekend! A huge high five to all eight of our teams: Kit Kats, DItermined (Fuzz) Wonders, The Things, The Underground Doritos, The DI 1ders, The Daring Dinosaurs, The Launching Hurricanes, and DI Legends. All of the teams presented their solutions and did a great job! Congratulations!! The DI Legends received the highest score in their Instant Challenge! Three teams have qualified for the Globals in May! These are the teams that have been invited to compete at the Globals Final competition: 7th grade (Fuzz) Wonders, 6th grade The Things, and the 3rd/4th grade team, the DI 1ders! We are so proud of all of the students' performances on Saturday at the State Tournament. Thank you to all of the families for their support, and especially for all of the Team Managers and volunteers for their tireless efforts in leading these students through a great learning experience! A big thank you goes to our DI Coordinator, Mrs. Cacko who works countless hours to provide creative opportunities for our students. Many thanks!





SMECO Math Challenge



Congratulations to our 4th and 5th grade Math Teams who participated in this year's SMECO Math Challenge. They did a great job and it's evident their math skills are multiplying! A special thank you to our coaches, Mr. George, Ms. Rowland, and Mrs. Burfield.



Report Cards Posting on Thursday

Report cards for grades 1-8 will be posted on the portal on Thursday. To access them, sign in to your Plus Portals account <https://www.plusportals.com/FatherAndrewWhiteSchool>. Once logged in, click on "E- Locker" on the top toolbar. Then click on "E- Portfolio." You should find your child's 2022 - 2023 Third Quarter Report Card in the list. E-mail Mrs. Greer if you need help with your account. greer@fatherandrewwhite.org



Time is Running Out to Order your Yearbook!

Order your 2022-2023 FAW Yearbook!

It is time to order your student's Father Andrew White School yearbook! The Remember Me Yearbooks online store will be open from now through 4/12/2023. Each book costs \$25.00.



To order your yearbook, follow these steps:

1. Go to order.remembermeyearbooks.com.
2. Enter your access key: W52FZKZKBN.
3. Enter your student's details and choose your quantity.
4. Proceed with checkout and place your order.
5. After placing your order, you will receive an email confirmation.

Monthly Virtue: Obedience



Our school continues to participate in the Virtues in Practice program this year. Each month, the whole school focuses on the same virtue as they hope to grow closer to Jesus by imitating His life and virtues. They also learn more about the saints who exemplify these good habits. This month we are learning about the virtue of obedience. Please join us during the month of April by modeling how you say "yes" to the loving Will of God and to those He has set over us.

Thank you to Becky Anderson for coordinating this Lottery Fundraiser for us!

FAW Lottery Fundraiser



Are you feeling lucky?

Last Week's Winners

Blaise Harris Lancaster

Corey Hayden

Lisa VanTassel

Tony Bailey

Debbie Bailey

Andrew Rossignol

Faith Rally!

Faith Rally is **TUESDAY, April 18th!** All students are invited to wear their home-made or best faith shirt (with uniform bottoms) for the "Wear Your Faith T-shirt" contest! (Girls with jumpers can either wear their faith shirt over the jumper or under.) Plan to gather up some non-perishable items and send them in on Tuesday, Faith Rally day so we can support our Food Pantry. Get ready for a great day of faith and fun! We can't wait to celebrate our faith with the students!
#Thywordisalampuntomyfeet

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Faith Rally 2023

Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet

Tuesday, April 18th

Activities throughout the school day!



- ❖ *Wear a faith T-shirt with uniform bottoms and enter the T-shirt contest*
- ❖ *Bring in \$1.00 to get a faith tattoo*
- ❖ *Participate in a service project for our food pantry - bring in any non-perishable item*
- ❖ *Go to Adoration and visit our "Living Jerusalem"*

Brown Bag Auction

Father Andrew White

BROWN BAG AUCTION

Kid themed, fun-filled baskets will be on display at school
April 19th – 21st.

Tickets are \$1 each or 25 tickets for \$20!

Envelopes with an Order Form were sent home on
Tuesday, April 4th.

Use the link below to view baskets and
purchase tickets online.

Winners will be announced Friday, April 21st during an
afternoon school assembly!

All proceeds benefit FAW.

<https://fatherandrewwhite.org/brownbagauction>

Spring Social & Auction: A Night on the Town!



You are cordially invited to Father Andrew White School's 15th Annual Spring Social & Auction: A Night on the Town!

This fun and fanciful event is highly anticipated, as this is our first year back in person after a three year hiatus. Enjoy an evening out with friends, fellowship and a spirit of charity for our school!

We are excited to announce our raffle: we are raffling off FREE TUITION for ONE student for an entire school year! Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council #1470 for helping sponsor this raffle! This raffle will kick off our whole event, which is followed by the Brown Bag Auction, that includes specially assembled, kid-themed baskets. The baskets will be on display at the school and students will have many opportunities to browse the baskets and vote for their favorites.

Friday, April 21, 2023 is our main event, which will be a cocktail party at the beautiful Fenwick Inn in Leonardtown from 6:00pm-9:30pm! Tickets are on sale NOW to attend the social event. The auction will be held online, so even if you cannot attend the event, you'll be able to participate in winning the items for auction and the purchasing of the Tuition Raffle! This event is open to the public with the purchase of a ticket so please invite friends of Father Andrew White or family to join us for a fun evening out!

Our event has many exciting parts, so be on the lookout for more information as we get a little closer. Here's what you need to know:

- Buy your event tickets NOW via the [link](https://fundraiser.support/faw2023) below to secure reduced pricing
- Auction items will be available for preview on April 10

- Auction Bidding opens online on Monday, April 17
- Brown Bag Auction starts April 18 for kids at school

- Spring Social Event at Fenwick Inn Friday, April 21 at 6:00pm (doors open at 5:30pm)
- Bidding CLOSES at 7:30pm on Friday, April 21

**The FAW Auction Committee is seeking 12 volunteers to help on the day of the event. Please contact Carla Carrillo if you're able to help: carla.carrillo@mac.com

Tickets are now available for purchase with this link: <https://fundraiser.support/FAW2023>

We hope that you'll join us in making this event a success!

~ The FAW Spring Social & Auction Committee

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL'S

*Spring Social
& Brown Bag Auction*

DATES TO KNOW

Tuesday, April 4
Brown Bag Auction (Kid's Auction) envelopes go home

Friday, April 14
Spring Social Auction items open for viewing online

Monday, April 17
Bidding OPENS for Spring Social & Auction

Thursday, April 20
Make sure to purchase your Full Tuition Raffle Tickets
Envelopes for Brown Bag Auction due back to school

Friday, April 21
Brown Bag Auction winners chosen at school assembly
Attend the Spring Social & Auction at the Fenwick Inn
from 6:00 - 9:00pm (tickets required)
Bidding closes at 7:30pm!

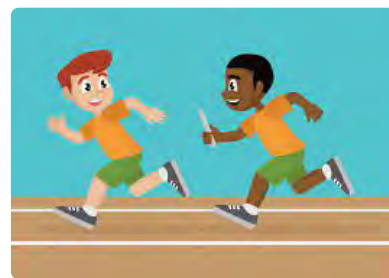
EVENT TICKETS, RAFFLE AND ONLINE AUCTION HERE: fundraiser.support/FAW2023	BROWN BAG KID'S AUCTION ONLINE VIEWING: https://bit.ly/FAWBBA2023
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Talent Show is Coming!



Catholic Schools Relay Races

This year the Catholic schools are participating in relay races on May 13, 2023 at St. Mary's Ryken. Parents of students in grades PK - 8 have been contacted if they qualified from the trials completed during PE class. To help prepare, those selected students will participate in practice sessions after school. VIRTUS cleared parent volunteers are needed. Please see the opportunity in the volunteer section below.



After School Math Tutoring Program

A poster with a dark blue background. At the top, the words "TUTORING" and "TUESDAYS" are written in large, yellow, distressed, block letters. Below this, the words "PRESENTED BY" are in smaller, blue, block letters. To the left of "PRESENTED BY" is a small illustration of a globe with a blue cloud. To the right is a white arrow pointing left. Below "PRESENTED BY", the words "THE SMR CHAPTER OF" are in yellow, block letters, followed by "MU ALPHA THETA" in large, yellow, distressed, block letters. Below that, "MATH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY" is in blue, block letters. At the bottom, "MATH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM" is in white, block letters, and "3-4 PM" is in blue, block letters. In the bottom right corner is a yellow lightbulb with a black outline of a triangle inside it, and several short lines radiating from the top, suggesting light.

MU ALPHA THETA

TUTORING TUESDAYS @ FAW

Founded in 2022, Mu Alpha Theta is the St. Mary's Ryken chapter of the Mathematics National Honor Society. Today, we are excited to announce a partnership with Father Andrew White to provide after-school tutoring on Tuesdays. Tutors will be SMR students who are members of Mu Alpha Theta, and will be available from 3-4 PM on Tuesdays. We hope to see you there!

Scan to sign up!



Sign up [HERE!](#)



Now Enrolling

<http://mytads.com/a/fatherandrewwhiteschool>

Father Andrew White Catholic School has opened enrollment to new families for the 2023-2024 school year. We welcome you to consider becoming a part of this amazing, award winning school. Schedule a private tour to discover how our students are "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow, Living our Faith." Call the office at (301) 475-9795 or email office@fatherandrewwhite.org.

FAW News Email



Do you have an announcement you'd like to put in our weekly bulletin? Or perhaps you went to an FAW event, such as a basketball game, and you'd like to share some information or photos you took. We have created an email where you can send pictures, blurbs, etc. This will help us get new items in our bulletin, on our lobby TV, and on our website. Email:

FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org Please send anything you'd like

considered in the Announcements by Friday evening of the week prior.



Do you know what your body's largest organ is? If you guessed your skin, you're absolutely right! Unfortunately, because it's so big, it is vulnerable to all kinds of problems. Many things cause our skin to become dry and cracked, such as frequent hand washing and exposure to cold, dry winter air. This can lead to chapped lips, nosebleeds, itchiness, and exacerbation of other conditions like eczema. Humidifiers and moisturizers are often helpful for these things, but now that warmer weather is here we have a whole new set of potential skin problems: bug bites and stings, poison ivy, sunburn, contact allergies, heat rash, blisters and scrapes, fungal and bacterial infections, etc. Plus, there are issues that come about regardless of time of year, and several that are contagious, such as impetigo and molluscum. Generally, when a child complains of an itchy or painful area on their skin, I recommend first cleansing it and trying to determine the cause. Always discourage scratching, which can lead to infection, and instead use cold compresses, "itch medicine," or even just tapping on the area instead of scratching (something I just learned from a co-worker!). Since there's a multitude of conditions that affect the skin, it may become necessary to contact a doctor, especially if a problem persists or gets worse. Remember, our skin is our largest organ, and our first line of defense, so we have to take care of it!



Learning Today...





Leading Tomorrow...





Living our Faith!





Community News

Praying for a Student

Please join us in prayer for a fellow Catholic school student from St. Mary's Bryantown. You can follow his journey at [Finn's Fierce Fight](#).

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME and STRIKE OUT DIPG! Let's Turn the Stadium Gold and Grey in May! May is Brain Cancer Awareness Month. Southern Maryland Blue Crabs has generously joined with [Finns Fierce Fight](#) and [Bears of Love](#) to dedicate a night to STRIKE OUT DIPG! Please share and please join the Fight on the evening of May 6th! Our goal is to pack the stadium with Grey (for Brain Cancer) and Gold (for DIPG) to bring awareness to this important issue and show Finn we are in the fight with him and his family.

A promotional poster for a baseball game between the Southern Maryland Blue Crabs and the Charleston Dirty Birds. The background is a night baseball game with stadium lights and confetti. At the top, the Blue Crabs logo (a crab) is on the left and the Dirty Birds logo (a bird) is on the right, separated by "VS.". In the center, a young boy in a light blue shirt is framed by two crossed baseball bats. Below him, the text "JOIN THE" is in yellow, followed by "BLUE CRABS, #FINNSFIERCEFIGHT & BEARS OF LOVE" in white. The date "MAY 6, 2023" is in large white letters on a black background. Below the date, "TO" is in small yellow letters, followed by "STRIKE OUT" in large yellow letters and "DIPG" in large white letters. At the bottom, "GAME TIME 6:35" and "DOORS OPEN 5:30" are in yellow. Two players are shown in action: a Blue Crab pitcher in a red and white uniform on the left, and a Dirty Bird batter in a red and white uniform on the right. In the bottom left corner is a QR code. In the bottom right corner is a black box with white text providing information about the game's purpose and ticket purchase.

BLUE CRABS VS. **DIRTY BIRDS**

JOIN THE
BLUE CRABS, #FINNSFIERCEFIGHT & BEARS OF LOVE

MAY 6, 2023
TO
STRIKE OUT
DIPG

GAME TIME 6:35
DOORS OPEN 5:30



IT'S MAY! WEAR YOUR GOLD AND GRAY AS THE BLUE CRABS TAKE ON THE DIRTY BIRDS IN SUPPORT OF DIPG AWARENESS.
A portion of each ticket purchased online will be donated to Children's National Hospital for DIPG Research in honour of #FinnsFierceFight.
To purchase tickets, scan the QR Code or visit
<https://sombbluecrabs.com/tickets/group-information/fundraisers/>
Scroll Down to Finn's Fierce Fight. Password: finn



Spring Music Festival at Camp Maria Retreat Center

Sunday April 16, 2023

1pm -5pm

41290 Camp Maria Rd, Leonardtown MD 20650

Admission is free/donations accepted

Performances by: Seven Gables Academy Homeschool Choir, Libation, Robbie Booth, Jerry Burch and the Port Tobacco Pickers

Food trucks available and include Pizza Hotline, Olde Town Pub, The S'more the Merrier, Kristen's Creations

Earth Day Activities for the youth

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Looking for Service Hours?

Volunteer opportunities



Summer Maintenance Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to work on some maintenance jobs over the summer. Please contact Mrs. Szoch principal@fatherandrewwhite.org if you are interested in leading this group. Thanks for considering!

Relay Race Volunteers Needed

This year the Catholic schools are participating in relay races on May 13, 2023 at St. Mary's Ryken. VIRTUS cleared parent volunteers are needed to assist during the training sessions (Tuesday/Thursday from 2:30 - 4pm). Additional volunteers are needed on the day of the event from 12 - 4pm. Please let Katy Burfield know you'd like to help by emailing her at kateburfield@gmail.com.



Help Needed at Knights of Columbus Bingo on Friday evenings!

Our Knights of Columbus, St. Mary's Council #1470 is in need of our help! They are looking for adults who are able to be Floorwalkers. The primary job is to walk up and down the tables and sell Holders to the bingo players. Volunteer hours can be earned from 6pm to about 9 or 9:30pm on Fridays at Father Andrew White School. The point of contact is Steve Tomaszewski. Please reach out via phone 240-808-3560 or email steven.tomaszewski@gmail.com. Thank you for considering helping this wonderful organization who does so much for our community!



Support our KofC who supports FAW!

How has the Knights of Columbus St. Mary's Council #1470 supported FAW?

- The Knights donated the sign in front of the school which costed over \$6,500.
- The Knights have donated \$7,500 to FAW so far this year.
- The Knights sponsor the Keep Christ In Christmas contest and award cash prizes each year to the winners at FAW School.
- The Knights rent the Gym for Bingo.
- Many Knights send their children to FAW School and encourage other families to do the same.
- The Knights of Columbus St. Mary's Council #1470 are always ready, willing, and able to help the FAW School and Faculty with their requests for assistance.
- ALL of the donations that the Knights make to FAW come from the income they receive from Bingo!
- Thank you for considering volunteering to help our Knights!

Sign Up to Reserve the Spirit Rock!



Spirit Rock Sign Up



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Destination Imagination State Competition
2	3 Spring Uniforms Begin	4	5	6 Holy Thursday 12:30pm Early Dismissal	7 Good Friday No School Easter Break	8
9 Happy Easter!	10	11	12	13	14	15
←----- No School – Easter Break -----→						
16	17 No School for Students Professional Day for Teachers	18 School Resumes Faith Rally Brown Bag Auction Begins	19 Military Child Celebration Day	20	21 Spring Social & Auction	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30		MAP Growth Testing Begins (grades 2-8)		Talent Show	Middle School Monthly Activity	

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Weekly Reminders:

- ☐ Send in items for Cabin of God's Love (tomorrow)
- ☐ Send in Used Uniforms in great condition
- ☐ Order your Yearbook
- ☐ Buy Brown Bag Auction Tickets
- ☐ Buy Spring Social and Auction Tickets
- ☐ Sign up for the Talent Show
- ☐ Get Ready for Faith Rally
- ☐ Sign up to be a Summer Maintenance Volunteer
- ☐ Consider volunteering to help the KofC with their Friday Bingo
- ☐ Order Gift Cards
- ☐ Send news and pictures to FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org
- ☐ Submit and Check Volunteer Hours
- ☐ Have a blessed Easter!

LAST WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Click here to view more details from last week!](#)

Principal Szoch's Friday News

Record Volunteer Hours Here!

RaiseRight Gift Card Program

Used Uniform Information

Staff Email Addresses

2022-2023 Yearly School Calendar



Father Andrew White, S.J. School
LEADERSHIP ✦ FAITH ✦ ACADEMICS



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