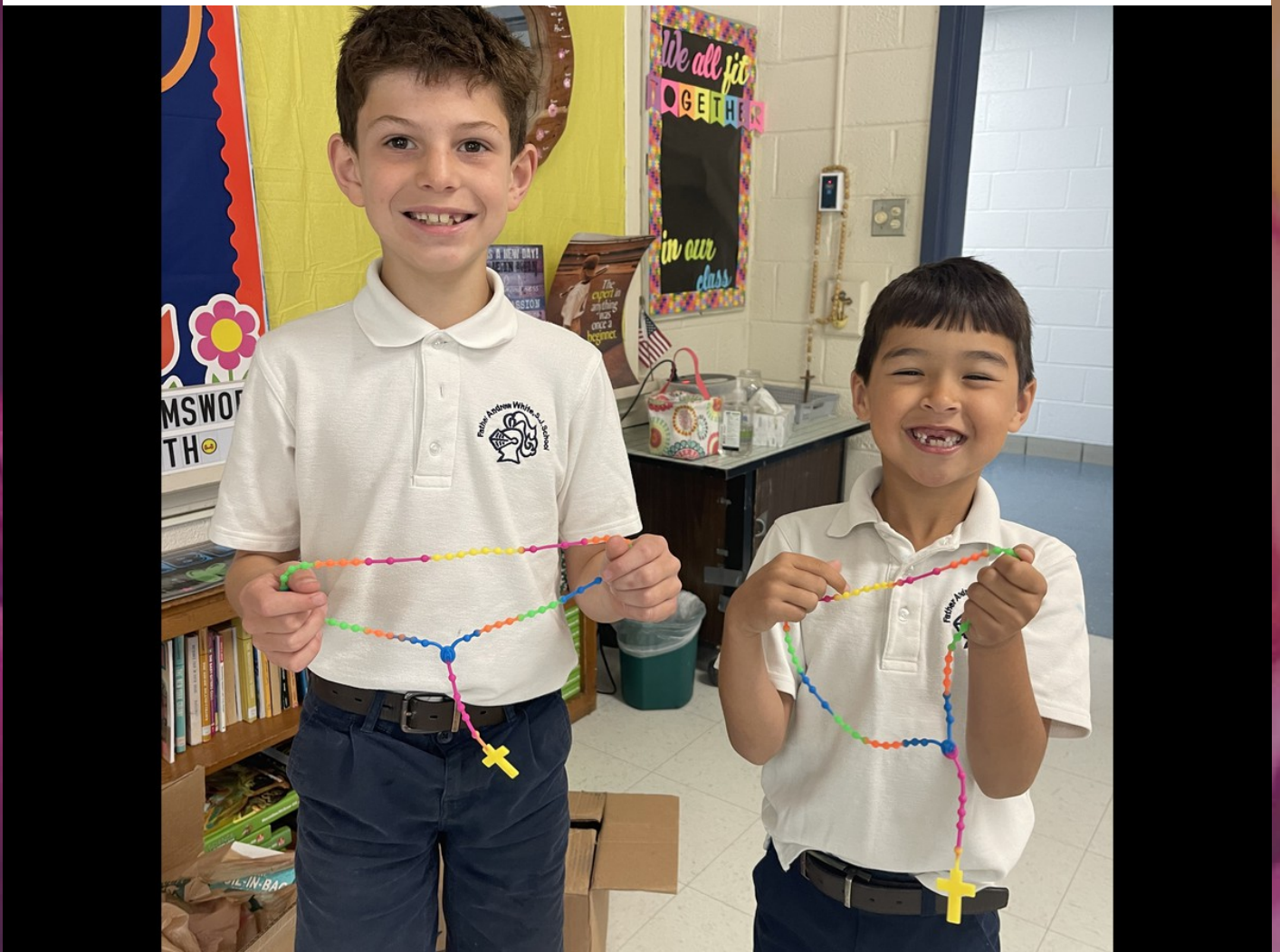


Crusader Connections

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

May 16, 2023



Important Dates

May 16: Rally for Reading (grade 2)

May 18: Field Trip (grades K-8)

May 19: Field Trip (grade 7)

May 20: Catholic Schools Relay Races (at SMR), 8am-12pm (rescheduled)

May 20-23: Destination Imagination Global Finals Competition

May 21: FAW Athletic Awards Banquet, 2pm and Confirmation at Our Lady's Church

May 22: Willy Wonka Day (grade 3)

May 23: Field Day (grades K-5)

May 25: Last day for Pre-K, Pre-K Graduation, and Middle School Monthly Activity

May 26: Early Dismissal, 12:30pm and Book Fair Begins

May 27: 1st Communion at St. Aloysius Church, 5pm

May 28: 1st Communion at St. Aloysius Church, 11am

May 29: No School - Memorial Day

May 30: Field Day (grades 6-8)

June 1: Field Trip (grade 8)

June 2: Class Picnic (grade 8)

June 3: 8th Grade Graduation Mass, 10am

June 7: Early Dismissal, 12:30pm and Book Fair Ends

June 8: End of Year School Mass and Awards (hosted by grade 2), 10am with Early Dismissal immediately following, LAST DAY for Students

Lunch Change Reminder

This Thursday, May 18th, is **not** Chick-fil-A day, due to field trips. Chick-fil-A day for May will be next week, May 25th.



Talent Show



We have some amazingly gifted musicians, dancers, and artists who shared their God given talents with us as their presence graced the stage for a small Talent Show before the DI Day event on Friday!

Spring Band and Chorus Concert



We had a lovely Spring Band and Chorus concert last week! Thank you to Mrs. Cacko for training our students on the recorders, xylophones and the beautiful singing of our chorus, to Ms. Etter for the many hours of band practice and to Mrs. Davis for her beautiful piano accompaniment. Our students showed tremendous growth and sounded wonderful!



Teacher Appreciation Week



Thank you to our HSA and amazing families!

Hey Parents! This is how the teachers felt last week when you spoiled us! We wanted to flip with excitement when we saw the sweet chalk messages, were surprised with a cart full of useful goodies, ate a delicious catered lunch, received thank you cards and beautiful flowers, and sipped on beverages from the espresso truck. Thank you to our fantastic HSA board, parents, and students who made us feel so special during Teacher Appreciation Week. We are blessed!



School Supply Boxes



School Tool Box School Supplies: We are happy to announce we will again offer pre-made school supply kits for your children next year! We will continue to partner with School Toolbox. These are brand name only supplies complete with the exact specifications of every teacher. No more hunting for the right color, correctly pronged folder! Order online and your school kit will be in your teacher's classroom at the Back to School Night, prior to school starting. Please visit the [School Toolbox website](#)

<https://schooltoolbox.com/school-supplies/school/list-boxes/?schoolId=45764> to place your order. Please contact Katie Bailey at bailey.katie.lynn@gmail.com if you need any assistance.

Order online today!

Dear parents,
We are happy to announce that we have chosen to sell prepackaged school supplies for the next school year through School Tool Box.
It doesn't get any easier than this!

- Put your zip code in the box at SchoolToolBox.com
- Find the school, then choose your child's new grade
- Each supply box matches your teacher's approved list
- Supplies are name-brand and guaranteed all school year

School Name:
Father Andrew White School
Leonardtown, MD 20650

Ordering Available:
May 15th - June 4th

Pick-up date at school:
Open House

SCHOOL TOOL BOX
schooltoolbox.com
800-952-1119

Your order supports

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One Box, One Meal

Notes

Scan here to view your school's boxes and place your order today!



Click [HERE](#) to order online today!

Pie and Dollars for DI Thank You!

Our Pie for DI and Dollars for DI event was a huge success. Thank you so very much for the support! Thank you also to all who participated, including our teachers and principal who took pies to their faces!





The DItermined (Fuzz) Wonders and the Things are heading to the Destination Imagination Global Finals in Kansas City, Missouri this weekend!! We wish them well as they compete against teams from around the world. Go Crusaders!

Destination Imagination is an educational, academic program that has helped our students learn and practice valuable skills like creative and critical thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork through different competitive, STEAM-based (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics) Challenges.



Support DI at



SLIM CHICKENS®

Spirit Night TONIGHT from 4 - 9pm!



Catholic Schools Relay Races - Rescheduled for this Saturday!

Come on out for a morning of fun and cheer on your FAW Crusaders as they race around the track at St. Mary's Ryken **this Saturday, May 20th from 8am - 12pm**. We will be competing against the other local Catholic schools. See you there!

Go Crusaders!

ATHLETIC BANQUET



CRUSADERS



FATHER ANDREW WHITE



Athletic Banquet - This Sunday

Father Andrew White School Athletic Banquet

Sunday, May 21, 2023

2pm

*Please join us in the FAW gym on May 21st at 2pm
to celebrate our student athletes!
Cupcakes and light refreshments will be served.*

****Student athletes and their families are invited to attend this event.****
Please RSVP via the invitation sent by our Athletic Director, Katy Burfield.

2022-2023 Yearbook --> Last chance to order yearbooks!

If you were unable to order a yearbook, we have a limited amount of extra available. This will be on a first come, first served basis until they are sold out.

If you would like to get a yearbook, please email Mrs. Rutherford at rutherford@fatherandrewwhite.org for details.



Field Days are Coming!

We look forward to a day of fun with the many activities that Mrs. Stewart has planned for our students. The Field Days will be split into two groups. Most activities are outside so please be sure to put sunblock on your child at home before school.

- Tuesday, May 23: Grades K-5
- Tuesday, May 30: Grades 6-8

**Wheeled Coolers are needed (to borrow) for the May 30th Field Day. Thank you for sending yours in labeled with your name for us to use that day. **

K-5 Field Day

Remember to apply sunblock on your child at home before school **next Tuesday, May 23rd** for the K-5th grade Field Day. Hats are acceptable to wear outside to stay protected from the sun. Students may wear Tag Day clothes (no white shirts please). Flip flops and crocs are not allowed. Students will change into PE uniforms immediately after Field Day.

Middle School Field Day

Students in grades 6-8 will enjoy their Field Day when we return from our Memorial Day weekend. On Tuesday, May 30th, please have your middle school children wear Tag Day clothes with a colored (non-white) shirt and sneakers (flip flops and crocs are not permitted). Students will be participating in water activities so PE uniforms must be sent in so students can change and then participate in their classes for the remainder of the day.

SMR Math Tutoring Program Completed

The after school Math Tutoring Program offered by St. Mary's Ryken students on Tuesdays has been completed for this year. Be on the lookout next year when they hope to resume again.

Return Library Books

It's time to start looking for all Father Andrew White School library books so they can be returned by the end of the school year. Sometimes our school library books get mixed in with your home library ones, so be sure to check all around your house. Thank you for helping your children find these books!



Annual Giving Campaign

Our Annual Giving Campaign this year will focus on our building safety and the installation of safety film. We will combine giving campaign funds with grant funding to achieve this goal. We have several other safety projects as well (door alarms to notify us if a door is ajar, modifications to our vestibule window, and an additional security camera). Please assist us in any way that you are able. A letter will be forthcoming. We appreciate your support in our continued efforts towards

Progress Reports

Reports for grades 4-8 were posted to the portal last Tuesday. We ask you to please keep in mind that we still have new lessons to teach and work to accomplish. We hope you will support us in encouraging the children to keep studying and to continue to make their school work a priority.

<https://www.plusportals.com/FatherAndrewWhiteSchool>



2023 FAW Crusader Cup - SAVE THE DATE!

Attention 2023 FAW Crusader Cup Golfers, Sponsors, and Committee Members!
SAVE THE DATE!!

The 14th Annual 2023 FAW Crusader Cup will be held on September 29, 2023 at Breton Bay Golf and Country Club. Join us for a day of golf and contribute to a good cause - our very own FAW! Each foursome is provided a round of golf and good times with prizes, breakfast, lunch, cocktails, refreshments, and a catered awards ceremony. Don't miss the opportunity to get in on this event as it sells out every year!!

Not a golfer? No worries! Join the fun as a planning committee member or day-of volunteer (or both!) to get a jump on your volunteer hours for the 2023-2024 school year. Committee meetings are held virtually once a week for an hour beginning in July.

Interested in sponsoring, or know someone who may be? Please reach out for more details! The community's support is invaluable to making the event a success!

For more details, or to sign up to be on the distribution list as a volunteer or committee member - please contact Katie Bailey (bailey.katie.lynn@gmail.com). We promise it will be a great time!!

RaiseRight Gift Card Program UPDATE

We are officially underway in the next *RaiseRight* year, that started on April 1st. For all returning families for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year, there is a *RaiseRight* requirement to earn a minimum \$50. For those that are unfamiliar with this program we will be sending more information on how you can get started.

In summary it is a gift card program in which you buy gift cards for your everyday shopping: that coffee addiction, vacation, cruises, dining out and gas! Each card has a rebate amount that you can earn and those earnings go back to the school until you have met your \$50 minimum requirement. After that \$50 minimum requirement is met, anything you earn over and above gets a 75/25 split between you and the school respectively. The earnings that go to you can be applied for next school year's tuition or to the eighth grade field trip. This past school year we had multiple families earning back a collective total of \$4,600 that will be applied to next school year's tuition.

Gift card fundraising is an excellent fundraiser because there's no selling, no extra time and no extra money. It is simply changing the way we pay for our purchases. The best part is that there is endless earning potential as there is no limit to how much money we can raise. You make money for the school and yourself. I call that a win win!!

Happy Shopping,
Jessica Casto
FAW RaiseRight Coordinator

Log Your Volunteer Hours

Please remember to [keep your logged volunteer hours](#) up to date! You should have at least 22 hours by this point to be on track for your 25 hour requirement (for Service Scholarship families).



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.

NOTES FROM NURSE ROSE



Have you ever awakened to find one of your eyes seemingly glued shut or "crusted over"? If so, chances are you probably had conjunctivitis, or pink eye. Unfortunately, this ailment is quite common as it is easily transmitted through contact with eye secretions. It can be bacterial or viral, but the treatment for both is to clean the eye by rinsing with saline or using lubricating eye drops and cold compresses. It's always a good idea to see the doctor, especially if there is pain involved as well. Sometimes doctors prescribe antibiotic drops, but often they are not necessary, as the conjunctivitis eventually clears on its own. One way to think of it is that it is like having a cold, only the virus is in your eye instead of your airway. So just like with a cold, while it is running its course, you should treat the symptoms and practice good hygiene to hasten healing and prevent spreading.

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](#).



Looking for Service Hours?

Volunteer opportunities



Volunteer Opportunity

To raise some DI funds, we are looking for volunteers to run a Spirit Station (to sell a few items) at the Catholic Schools Relay Races at SMR on Saturday, May 20th from 8am - 12pm. Email Mrs. Cacko if you can help: cacko@fatherandrewwhite.org.



Summer Maintenance Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to work on some maintenance jobs over the summer. Please contact Rachel Richards at cptrbrown@aol.com if you are interested in helping this group. Thanks for considering!

Relay Race Volunteers Needed

This year the Catholic schools are participating in relay races on May 20, 2023 at St. Mary's Ryken. Volunteers are needed on the day of the event from 7am - 12pm. Please let Katy Burfield know you'd like to help by emailing her at kateburfield@gmail.com or sign up [HERE!](#)



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 Tomaszeski. Please reach out via phone 240-808-3560 or email steven.tomaszeski@gmail.com. Thank you for considering helping this wonderful organization who does so much for our community!

BINGO
Friday Nights

Help Needed

*Floorwalkers needed to walk up and down the tables and sell Holders to the bingo players.
Earn volunteer hours !*

FRIDAYS
6-9PM

CONTACT STEVE TOMASZESKI TO VOLUNTEER
240-808-3560 steven.tomaszewski@gmail.com

Support our KofC who support 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 ARK Testing - Religion (Grades 3-8) | 2 MAP Growth Testing - Reading (Grades 2-8) | 3 Grade 1 Field Trip | 4 | 5 First Friday Mass 8:30am (hosted by 1st Grade) May Crowning | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 MAP Growth Testing Language Usage (Grades 2-8) Progress Reports Posted (grades 4-8) | 10 Grades K & 1 Field Trip | 11 Spring Band & Chorus Concert 6:30pm | 12 Destination Imagination Day Celebration & Talent Show Acts | 13 |
| 14 | 15 MAP Growth Testing - Science (Grades 5 & 8) | 16 Rally for Reading Grade 2 | 17 | 18 Grades K-8 Field Trips | 19 Grade 7 Field Trip | 20 Catholic Schools Relay Races at SMR, 8am - 12pm Destination Imagination Global Finals |
| 21 Athletics Awards Banquet, 2pm Confirmation at Our Lady's Church Destination Imagination Global Finals Competition | 22 Wonka Day Grade 3 | 23 Field Day Grades K-5 | 24 | 25 Last Day for Pre-K Pre-K Promotion Middle School Monthly Activity | 26 Book Fair Begins 12:30pm Early Dismissal | 27 First Communion at St. Aloysius Church |
| 28 First Communion at St. Aloysius Church | 29 No School Memorial Day | 30 Field Day Grades 6-8 | 31 | | | |

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Weekly Reminders:

- Grab some Slim Chickens to support DI (today)
- Volunteer to help at the Catholic School Relay Races
- Attend the Catholic Schools Relay Races at SMR (Saturday)
- RSVP for and attend the Athletic Banquet (Sunday)
- Look for and return School Library books
- Order your School Supply Boxes
- Double check to make sure you ordered a Yearbook
- Send in a cooler for Field Day
- Sign up to volunteer for the various opportunities this week!
- Submit and Check Volunteer Hours

LAST WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Principal Szoch's Friday News

[Record Volunteer Hours Here!](#)

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