

CRUSADER CONNECTIONS

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

June 6, 2023



Congratulations to the FAW Class of 2023!

Important Dates

June 6: Used Uniform Pop Up Event (3:30pm)

June 7: Field Trip (grades 2, 3, & 7), Early Dismissal, 12:30pm and Book Fair Ends

June 8: End of Year School Mass (hosted by grade 2), 10am and LAST DAY for Students

Uniform Pop Up Today!

UNIFORM POP-UP Event! Stop by today, Tuesday, June 6th from 3:30-5:30pm outside the FAW gym. Come trade in used uniforms and pick up some new sizes. FREE!



Tomorrow is the last day of the Book Fair!

Our Book Fair is here for one more day!! Our students are very excited about shopping. We encourage you to stock up for summer reading!

Message about Last Day of School Car Rider Pickup

On Thursday there is daily Mass at 12:15pm at St. Aloysius Church. Please keep this in mind when you come to pick up your children via the Car Rider line on the last day of school. School dismissal is at 12:30pm so kindly be aware of the Mass time and any parishioners that may be in the parking lot.



Final Report Cards

Today will be our last Tuesday newsletter for our 2022-2023 school year. The last report card of the year will be mailed to families that are up to date on all financial obligations and have completed their volunteer hours (if applicable).

Action Item ---> Service Scholarship Preference Form

If you would like to receive a \$350 credit per child (in grades K-8), you can sign up to be a Service Scholarship family that receives reduced tuition in exchange for 25 hours of volunteering for the 2023-2024 school year.

We are asking that ALL FAMILIES (100% PARTICIPATION) complete the following form to indicate your preference of the Service Scholarship for the next school year. While you may have previously indicated your intent to participate, we are using this form as the final acceptance or decline of next year's service scholarship, so please complete the following: [FAW 2023-2024 Service Scholarship Preference Form](#)

FAW 2023-2024 Service Scholarship Preference Form

Please complete this form by June 10th to indicate your intent with regard to the Service Scholarship for the 2023-2024 school year. The TADS billing account of the families who agree to the requirements of the scholarship (25 total volunteer hours) will be credited \$350/child (in grades K-8). Tuition agreements will go out mid-June. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Tritschler.

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)

* Indicates required question

Email *

2023-2024 Pastoral Verification Form

The Active Parishioner Grant is available to families who submit a completed Pastoral Verification Form showing they are registered with a Catholic Church and are active members within that parish.

A Pastoral Verification Form signed by your pastor must be **SUBMITTED ANNUALLY** by each Catholic family. Please complete the form and submit it to your pastor for signature, and return to the FAW office no later than June 12, 2023.



2023-2024 Pastoral Verification Form
(Must be completed to receive Active Parishioner Grant)

Section 1: To be completed by Parent/Guardian

Name of Child

Grade in 2023-2024

Name of Parents/Guardians

Telephone Number

Home Address

Primary Email (please print clearly)

Parish Name

A. Please list the Sunday liturgy you regularly attend:

B. Please list your **Parish** volunteer activities for the 2022 - 2023 school year:

C. Please note how you regularly contribute: _____ envelope _____ direct deposit

Section 2: To be completed by the Pastor

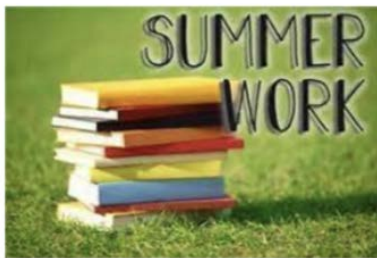
This is to certify that according to parish records and/or my personal knowledge, the above referenced family is a registered and participating member of our parish and is eligible for the Active Parishioner Grant.

Pastor's Signature

Date

P.O. Box 1756, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650 • <http://fatherandrewwhite.org> • office@fatherandrewwhite.org • (301) 475-9795

Family photo
REQUIRED



Summer Assignments

Please see the website for required summer assignments for grades 1-8. Students are expected to read and complete projects. Please note that these assignments are required and will be shared with your class when we return to school after summer vacation. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hinkle at

hinkle@fatherandrewwhite.org or if you need login assistance contact Mrs. Greer at greer@fatherandrewwhite.org. Please see the attachments below for more information. For future reference, you may visit the website to find a list of our summer reading and math assignments: <https://fatherandrewwhite.org/summer-work-2023>

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. We appreciate your support in our continued efforts towards safety.



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

Dear Friend of Father Andrew White School,

On behalf of the Father Andrew White (FAW) School Family, we thank everyone who generously donated to last year's Annual Giving Campaign. Your gracious contributions helped raise over \$18,000 that directly went to overhaul the rear parking lot where the kids spend much of their recess time every day. With your help, we were able to resurface the rear lot. We have a plan with a professional artist, who will paint fun and creative activities for all the students to enjoy!



This year's 2022-2023 Annual Campaign slogan is, "Safe and Sound." Over the last decade, it's no secret that schools around the country have fallen victim to violence. While we lean on our faith to overcome any fear or worry, we want to remain diligent in our efforts to ensure all of us feel safe and secure. Our goal is to raise the funds necessary to make additional safety upgrades to the Father Andrew White School building, which will include the installation of 3M Safety Film to the windows and glass around the school. These funds, along with grant funding, will be used to achieve our goal of improving the overall safety of our facility, allowing everyone inside to feel "safe and sound."



To accomplish our goal of raising \$25,000 for the 2022-2023 school year, we are asking you to consider a tax-deductible gift of \$250 or more to the Annual Campaign. We truly hope that you can help us achieve this important update and help us all feel "Safe and Sound!" If that amount does not currently fit into your family's budget, any amount within your means would be sincerely appreciated. We are hoping to have all donations in by July 31, 2023.

For your convenience, there are several ways to make your donation:

- By check via the enclosed, pre-paid donation return envelope
- Pay online by scanning the QR code at the bottom of this letter, or going to the link and following the instructions
<https://bnfct.co/donate/FAWgiving>

Meanwhile, we extend our most sincere gratitude for your participation in the Annual Giving Campaign and most of all, for continuing to support the great mission of Father Andrew White School. We remain committed each and every day to ensuring that children excel with strong minds, a safe learning environment, and of course, a living faith.

May God's blessings be with you, your family, our children, our alumni and the devoted school friends throughout the coming year!

Sincerely yours in Jesus Christ,


Janet Szych, Principal


Fr. David Beaubien, Administrator



Hover your phone camera over this code to donate online!

P.O. Box 1756, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650 + office@fatherandrewwhite.org + (301) 475-9795

Click HERE to Donate Today!

Thank You for Volunteering!

Thank you so much to all of our families who have spent time volunteering in a variety of ways. You have clocked more than 3,500 volunteer hours and your efforts have directly benefited our students and our school community. Many thanks!



School Supply Boxes

Still need to order? Ship to your home!

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 backpacks, planners and at the Desk to School Night, right at school stationing. Our school toolbox kits



'ended' on June 4 for all 'ship to school' orders (eligible for pick up during Open House). Sales beyond this date will have to be shipped to your home, and you will be responsible for any shipping costs. **To be clear, you may still place an order to be shipped to your home.** 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 TOOL BOX
schooltoolbox.com
800-952-1119

Your order supports



One Box, One Meal

School Name:

Father Andrew White School
Leonardtown, MD 20650

Ordering Available:

May 15th - June 4th

Pick-up date at school:

Open House



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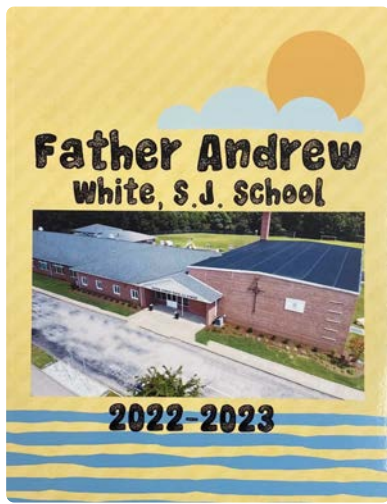
Scan here to view your school's boxes and place your order today!



Click HERE to order online today!

School Supply Lists Posted

Click HERE to see our 2023-2024 School Supply Lists



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

We have some extra 2022-2023 yearbooks available. If you forgot to place an order and would like one, please send in \$25 (checks made payable to "Father Andrew White School" with "yearbook" in the memo line). Be sure to get your copy before they sell out!

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

Return Library Books

All Father Andrew White School library books must be returned before school ends this Thursday. 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!



Bus Transportation Form 2023-2024

If you are a new bus rider or have moved/changed addresses, please complete the Request for Bus Transportation Form for next year.



**Saint Mary's County Government, DPW&T
Non-Public School Transportation Division**

Thomas Thompson, Transportation Supervisor
P.O. Box 409
44829 St. Andrew's Church Rd.
California, MD 20619
Phone: (301) 475-4200 *1124 » Fax: (301) 866-6797
Email: Thomas.Thompson@stmaryscountymd.gov

Transportation Office Use Only

Regular Bus No.: _____

Transfer Bus No.: _____

Added to manifest: ☐

Initials: _____

REQUEST FOR TRANSPORTATION

Academic Year: 2023 – 2024

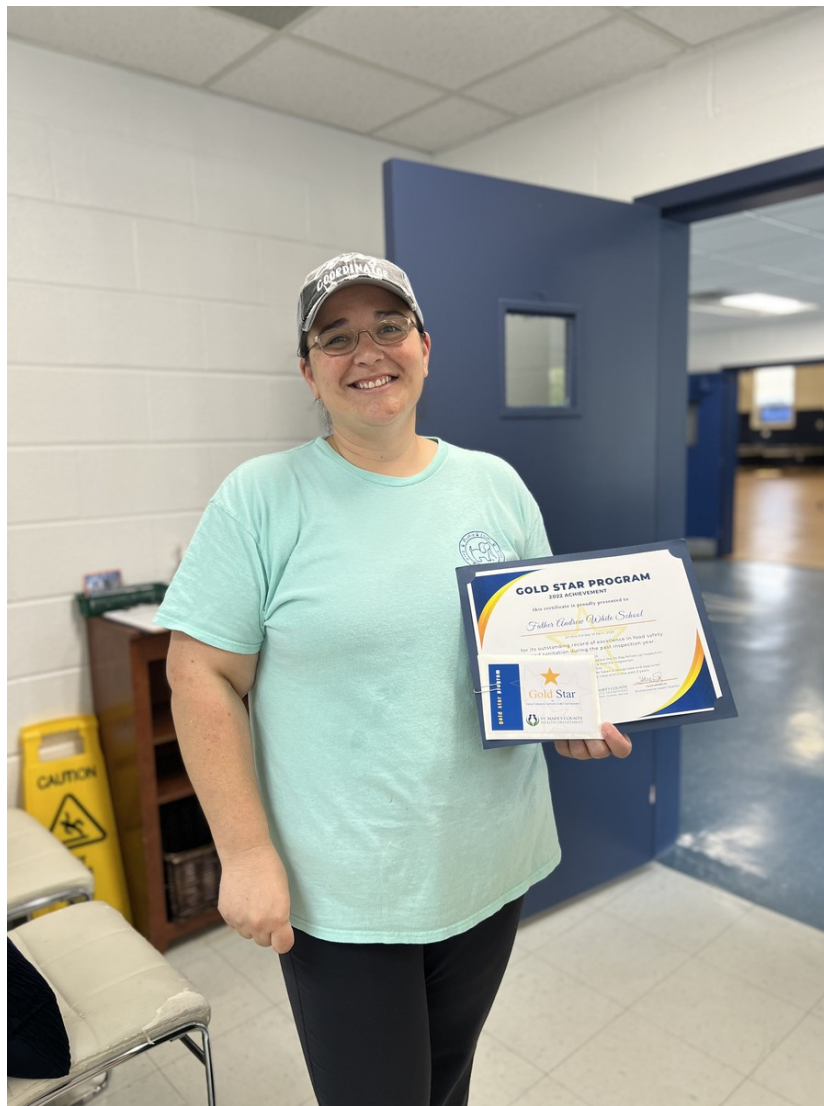
⚠️ IMPORTANT INFORMATION ⚠️	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ The deadline to return this form to the Transportation Office is: August 1, 2023.❖ The bus driver(s) or contractor(s) will contact the parent/guardian to confirm the bus stop location and times of pick up / drop off within a few days prior to the student(s) riding the bus.❖ Complete all fields for student / school information❖ All requests may have a processing time of up to two weeks.❖ Additional information can be found on the S.M.C.G. website at: www.stmarysmd.com/dpw/nonpublicschools.asp	
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change <input type="checkbox"/> New Student/School <input type="checkbox"/> Riding with another student <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
STUDENT / SCHOOL INFORMATION	
Student Name: _____	Student Name: _____
School: _____	School: _____
Grade: _____	Grade: _____
Gender: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	Gender: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>
Is student under 8 years old? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Is student under 8 years old? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Conditions: None	Medical Conditions: _____
PARENT /LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION	
Parent / Guardian Name(s): _____	
Primary Phone: _____	Secondary Phone: _____
Street Address: _____	P.O. Box: _____
City / Zip: _____	County of Residence: <input type="checkbox"/> St. Mary's <input type="checkbox"/> Charles <input type="checkbox"/> Calvert <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Email Address (print clearly): _____	
BUS STOP INFORMATION	
Requested Bus Stop Location (a.m.): _____	Requested Bus Stop Location (p.m.): _____
Assigned location (Transportation office use only): _____	
SIGNATURE / CONSENT	
Requestor's Name (please print): _____	
Signature: _____	Date: _____
CONSENT & RELEASE STATEMENT: By signing this request I affirm my understanding that: (1) any children under the age of 8 years must be received at the bus stop location by an adult, and that if no adult is present the bus driver will return the child(ren) to the school upon completion of the assigned bus route; (2) any medical conditions stated on this form may be released to the contractor and/or driver of my child(ren)'s bus route, with the understanding that such information will be kept strictly confidential; and (3) the Saint Mary's County Non-Public School Transportation Office is authorized to release any and/or all information contained in this application to relevant Patuxent River Naval Air Station employees for emergency planning purposes, and that such information will be kept strictly confidential by designated personnel on the Base.	

Request for Bus Transportation 2023-2024

May Virtue Winners: Diligence



Missing: PKer, B. Wickes and 6th grader, E. Tennant



**Congratulations to Mrs. Rutherford for earning a gold star
★ for food safety and sanitation! ★**

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



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



Amidst the hustle and bustle of the school year ending, it's easy to forget things. Thus, I have a couple of reminders for you:

- If your child has medication at school, please pick it up before Friday. I will also be outside near the car rider line during dismissal on Wednesday and Thursday. If you cannot make it by during these times, please let me know and we can make other arrangements.
- Also, if your child is returning next year, there are forms that are required for every student prior to return. One of these is the updated Immunization Acknowledgement Form, which needs to be submitted by August 15th. This form can be found in TADS (under the Documents tab), on the FAW website, and [HERE](#). Hard copies are also available at the school office.

Thank you for letting me take care of your kiddos this year, and I wish everyone a healthy, safe, and blessed summer!

2023-2024 School Year Calendar



2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

August	21	No School – Archdiocesan Back to School Mass for Faculty
	22	1 st Day of School (K – Grade 8) - 12:30 Early Dismissal
September	1	12:30 Early Dismissal
	4	No School – Labor Day
	5	Pre-K Starts
	21	12:30 Early Dismissal
	22	No School - St. Mary's County Fair
	25	No School - Professional Day
October	6	12:30 Early Dismissal
	26	12:30 Early Dismissal
	27	No School - Professional Day
	30	End of the 1 st Quarter
November	9	12:30 Early Dismissal
	10	No School - Veterans Day (observed)
	20-24	No School - Thanksgiving Break
December	19	12:30 Early Dismissal - Christmas Break Begins
	20-31	No School - Christmas Break
January	1	No School - New Year's Day
	2	Classes Resume
	12	12:30 Early Dismissal
	15	No School - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
	22	End of the 2 nd Quarter
February	16	No School - Professional Day
	19	No School - Presidents' Day
March	8	12:30 Early Dismissal
	11	No School - Professional Day
	27	End of the 3 rd Quarter
	28	12:30 Early Dismissal - Holy Thursday
	29-31	No School - Easter Break
April	1-5	No School - Easter Break
	8	Classes Resume
May	10	12:30 Early Dismissal
	24	12:30 Early Dismissal
	27	No School - Memorial Day
June	6	12:30 Early Dismissal - End of 4 th Quarter - Last Day of School



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](#).

International Student Hosting Opportunity

St. Mary's Ryken is welcoming new international students for the next school year in August. Students are joining us from Brazil, Finland, Germany, Spain, Switzerland and China. Host family stipends cover the cost of hosting a student and all school related expenses are covered. Students have solid English language skills! If you are interested in learning more, please contact cheryl.shevchuk@smrhs.org.

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 Rachel Richards at cptrbrown@aol.com if you are interested in helping this group. Thanks for considering!

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!

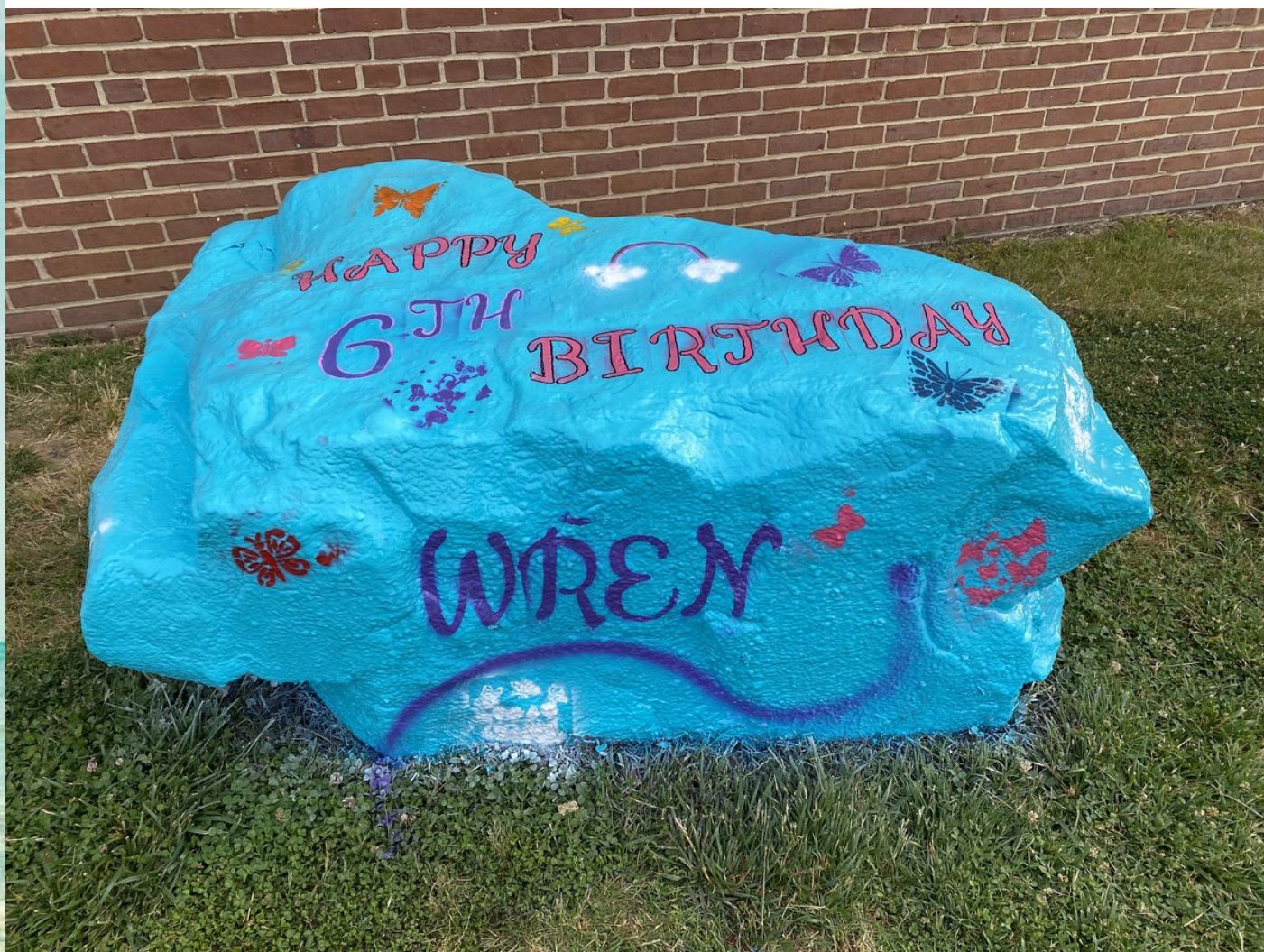


Support our KofC who support FAW!

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



JUNE



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Farewell Picnic for Mrs. Pietsch & Ms. Rowland ←-- Book Fair --> Grade 8 Field Trip	2 First Friday Mass 8:30am (hosted by Kindergarten) Grade 8 Class Picnic	3 FAW Class of 2023 Graduation 10am
4	5	6 ←-- Book Fair -->	7 Grade 7 Field Trip Early Dismissal 12:30pm	8 Mass, 10am (hosted by 2nd Grade) Early Dismissal 12:30pm LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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Weekly Reminders:

- ☐ Attend the Book Fair
- ☐ Sign up to help in the summer doing various maintenance and landscaping jobs
- ☐ Have a relaxing, fun, and blessed summer!

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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Used Uniform Information

Staff Email Addresses

2022-2023 Yearly School Calendar



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