

Crusader Connections

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

April 16, 2024



Let's celebrate "Purple Up! for Military Kids"



Important Dates

April 17: MAP Growth Testing Begins (grades 2-8)

April 18: Field Trip (Grade 3)

April 19: Spring Social & Auction

April 24: Field Trip (Grade 4)

April 26: Middle School Monthly Activity

Spring Social & Auction: A Night on the Town!

You are cordially invited to Father Andrew White School's 16th Annual Spring Social & Auction: A Night on the Town!

This Friday!

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR
FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL'S

*Spring Social
& Auction*

A NIGHT ON THE TOWN

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024
6:00PM

THE FENWICK INN
LEONARDTOWN, MARYLAND

*Join us for an evening out with live music, heavy hors
d'oeuvres, drinks and dancing to benefit the school!*

 BUY TICKETS HERE BY APRIL 11, 2024
\$85/PER PERSON OR \$160/COUPLE

'Cocktail Attire Suggested'

BUY RAFFLE TICKETS FOR A CHANCE
TO WIN FULL TUITION FOR ONE
STUDENT! TICKETS ARE \$50 EACH! 

Can't make the Social event?

YOU CAN STILL PARTICIPATE IN THE AUCTION
EVENT ONLINE AND BID ON SOME OF THE AMAZING ITEMS!
[HTTPS://FUNDRAISER.SUPPORT/FAW2024](https://fundraiser.support/faw2024)

The FAW Spring Social & Auction Committee has been hard at work this year to put on an amazing event and an incredibly successful fundraiser for our school! The online auction is now OPEN and ready for bidders! Have you checked out the items up for bid?

Register, view items, and bid here: <https://fundraiser.support/faw2024>

Note: Bidding and raffle ticket sales will close promptly at 7:30pm **this Friday, April 19th.**

You can still buy tickets to attend the social event at the Fenwick Inn in Leonardtown! The event starts at 6:00pm. Buy tickets [HERE!](#)

Thank you to our 2024 Auction Sponsors!



Important Calendar Change

There will be no school on Friday, May 24th due to the eighth grade graduation at 10am. This was originally an early dismissal day for the start of Memorial Day weekend. Please mark your calendar!



MAP Growth Testing Begins Tomorrow

Our end of year MAP Growth Testing begins tomorrow, Wednesday, April 17th. These adaptive tests give us a benchmark for a student's instructional level and a basis to measure growth in learning.

throughout the year. These tests will be administered in grades 2-8. Please ensure that your child has a good night's rest and a nutritious breakfast.

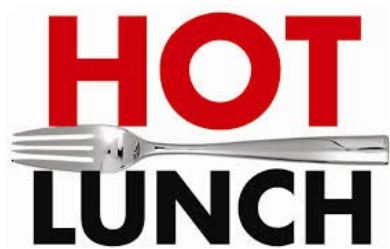
FAW Earns Sustainability Award



Last year, Mrs. Rutherford began putting aside leftover or spoiled food, (mostly unclaimed salads) and Nurse Rose would take them with her to volunteer at Summerseat Farm to feed the animals. It cuts down on food waste ending up in the garbage and gives the animals, such as the chickens and bunnies, much needed greens. The efforts of our staff were recognized by the St. Mary's County Commission on the Environment and we were selected as winners of the 2023 Sustainability Award. Nurse Rose and Mrs. Rutherford will attend the awards ceremony at the St. Mary's County Earth Day celebration at Summerseat Farm this Saturday, April 20th. If you're there, stop by and say hello!

Congratulations to Mrs. Rutherford and Nurse Rose on this achievement!

Hot Lunch Orders Open



The menu for May/June is now open and will close on Saturday, April 27th.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

*Pizza for the month of May will be coming from The Slice House

*Each pizza will be cut in 10 slices, like Papa Johns, so please

take this into account when placing your order

*Dairy free pizza will continue to be an option

**Last day of hot lunch for 8th graders will be 5/22

**Last day of school for PK is 5/31

Please be sure to go back and take care of any outstanding balances.

https://fm.orgsonline.com/m_login.aspx

After School Math Tutoring Program

Our National Junior Honor Society would like to provide after school tutoring on Thursdays. If you are interested in receiving tutoring for your child, please sign up [HERE!](#)

FAWS NATIONAL JUNIOR
HONOR SOCIETY
PRESENTS:

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING

Use this link to sign up:
[FAWS NJHS Tutoring](#)

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS
4/18 TO 5/16
2:45 - 4:00 PM



Uniforms

Remember next year we will be fully implementing the new uniform for all grades. Please see the flyer below for a sale from Lands' End.

**LANDS'
END**
SCHOOL

40% Off Select Uniform Styles

20% off everything else!

VALID UNTIL APRIL 19, 2024
CODE: LEARN
PIN: 7879



Receive 40% off select styles, and 20% off most other school uniform items, online or by phone (excludes buy more and save pricing, monogramming, gift boxing, gift cards, shipping, taxes, duties, Lands' End Business Outfitters purchases, and excluded items as marked). Plus, receive free standard shipping to most US addresses and Canadian addresses with a purchase online or by phone. Discount will be applied at checkout. Free Shipping is based on order total after promotional discount has been applied. This offer has no cash value. Promotional savings may be deducted from returns. 5-7 business day delivery to most addresses. Free standard shipping is valid on most orders shipped to US and Canada addresses only. Free standard shipping is valid on most orders shipped to US and Canada addresses only. Offer valid through 11:59 p.m. Central, April 19, 2024. **Not valid on previous purchases or when combined with any other promotional offers.**

But first... Order a Lands' End Gift Card through the RaiseRight Program!

Earth Day Tag Day!

Our Middle School elective "Eco-lution" is sponsoring a \$1 Earth Day Tag Day (green or blue shirt with uniform bottoms) on Monday, April 22nd (Earth Day)! Money raised will help fund Earth Day activities for all classes and environmentally friendly school projects.



Support FAW Destination Imagination!

We are excited to announce that two of our Destination Imagination (DI) teams from Father Andrew White School are two of the top-scoring DI teams in the state of Maryland and now have the opportunity to present their Challenge solution at the DI Global Finals in Kansas City, Missouri –an international competition where they will compete against teams from around the globe.

Please consider donating to help these teams get to the Globals competition!! Destination

valuable skills like creative and critical thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork through different competitive, STEAM-based (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics) Challenges.

The teams are working hard to raise the \$5,500/team registration fee plus the almost \$1,000/student it will take to get them there to experience this amazing opportunity! Raising \$20K in only one month's time is daunting, but they are Determined!!! Every gift is a blessing and we truly appreciate your support! Thank you so much for your contributions.
<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/DIGlobals2024>



Kids Bingo

Come one, come all! On Sunday, April 28, 12:30-2:30 pm the FAW DI teams are hosting a Kids Bingo in the FAW gym for all kids and their families! \$10/bingo card, additional/individual game cards available. Prizes, raffle baskets, Lucky Dog Ice, concessions, and games for the adults too! See you there!

APRIL 20
CAR WASH 1:30-3:30PM
LEONARDTOWN DASH IN

APRIL 28
KIDS BINGO 12:30-2:30PM
FAW SCHOOL GYM,
LEONARDTOWN

MAY 4
A NIGHT AT THE RACES
GREENE TURTLE 4:30-8PM

MAY 12
BAKE SALE 9AM & 12PM
ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH,
LEONARDTOWN

SPIRIT NIGHTS

APRIL 15-LEDO PIZZA LEONARDTOWN
APRIL 23-WENDY'S LEONARDTOWN
APRIL 27-FROGTOWN ICE CREAM LT
APRIL 29-RED ROBIN CALIFORNIA
MAY 6-MOD PIZZA CALIFORNIA
MAY 8-PANDA EXPRESS CALIFORNIA

FAW
DI
DESTINATION IMAGINATION 2024

Help our TWO teams compete at the Global Finals Competition in Kansas City, May 2024



Support Destination Imagination!

Wendy's Spirit Night

Leonardtown!

Eat to support

Father Andrew White School



♥ 20% Donated Back

📅 Tuesday, April 23rd / 12:00 AM - 11:30 PM

📺 RSVP below

groupraise.com/events/277918

Wendy's
40804 Merchant Lane, Leonardtown

Powered by
GroupRaise

Enjoy a night off from cooking next Tuesday!

Order your 2023-2024 FAW Yearbook!

It is time to order your student's Father Andrew White School yearbook! Each book costs \$25.00. [Order your copy](#) today!



[Place Yearbook Order](#)

FAW Financial Aid for 2024-2025 School Year

Multi-child tuition grants or any financial aid through the school will be determined by an independent committee, using the applications submitted through TADS. Therefore, if you are applying for financial aid from FAW, you **MUST** complete the TADS financial aid application in its entirety, including uploading all relevant documents, to ensure a good and fair evaluation by our committee.



There will be no additional multi-child grant or financial aid paperwork or application offered from FAW School. **The deadline is Wednesday, April 17, 2024. If you have already submitted an application, no further action is necessary.**

<http://secure.tads.com/>

Log your Volunteer Hours



Please remember to [keep your logged volunteer hours](#) up to date! You should have about 20 hours by this point to be on track for your 25 hour requirement (for Service Scholarship families).

FAW Athletics



Catholic Middle School Baseball Team

Congratulations to the FAW students, who made the Catholic School Baseball Team, on their big 13-2 win recently!

Volleyball Tournament Results

Congrats to our volleyball teams who competed in a tournament with 10 Middle School teams last weekend! We had one team in the Gold bracket and two teams in the Silver bracket. We had a lot of great plays including an epic volley! Congratulations on capturing the Silver bracket Championship!



Catholic Schools Relay Races

Relay Race practices are underway!

VIRTUS cleared volunteers are needed... see the opportunity in the volunteer section below.



Time to buy Raffle Tickets!!

Father Andrew White School

Full Tuition Raffle

\$50 per ticket



FAW Tuition Raffle

Price: \$50.00

Purchase tickets for a chance to win a FULL Tuition for ONE student in the 2024-2025 school year! Only 250 tickets will be sold and sales are open to family and friends of Father Andrew White School!

*Please note, if less than 200 tickets are sold, raffle will become a 50/50.

[Buy Now](#)

[More Details...](#)

The HSA is **raffling** off an opportunity for **free tuition** for the 2024-2025 FAW school year. They are sponsoring a friendly competition for the classes. Whichever class sells the most raffle tickets and purchases the most tickets to the Spring Social will receive a free tag day, extra recess and a special frozen treat! Click on this link to purchase a raffle ticket!

<https://fundraiser.support/FAW2024>

Donate to our Annual Giving Campaign that directly benefits our students!



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, which went toward the installation of 3M Safety Film to the windows and glass around our school building.

Since last year, our students have been hard at work! The students have been diving diligently into their classwork, learning through hands-on experiences, field trips and real-world applications. The FIRST LEGO League Robotics team worked hard to participate in the regional competition in January. Students of all ages have enjoyed our new GaGa Ball court and our newly-painted back parking lot during recess. Each day, the students have an opportunity to practice their faith through our Buddy Program, in their religion classes or around the community through service activities.



This year's 2024 Annual Giving Campaign is dedicated to updating and enhancing the Math Program for our entire student body. Historically, FAW students have scored above the national average on standardized testing in Math. We are seeing the need to update and replenish the resources used in our Math Program in order to continue challenging our students in academic excellence. Our goal is to raise the funds necessary to purchase new textbooks and the associated learning manipulatives which will benefit all students.



To accomplish our goal of raising \$25,000 for the 2023-2024 school year, we are asking you to consider a tax-deductible gift of \$250 or more to the Annual Giving Campaign. We truly hope that you can help us achieve this important upgrade to our Math Department. 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, 2024.

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

- By check via the enclosed donation 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/FAW2024giving>

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 Szoch, Principal

Fr. David Beaubien, Administrator



Hover your phone camera over this code to donate online!

NOTES FROM NURSE ROSE



If you have lived in Southern Maryland for some time, you're undoubtedly all too familiar with spring allergy season. This time of year brings lots of pretty flowers, green grass, and budding trees - along with tons of pollen and miserable allergy symptoms! Many people have treatment plans in place, including daily medications (antihistamines, nose sprays, eye drops) to help alleviate their symptoms. For those with asthma, it's important to keep prescriptions up-to-date for inhalers and nebulizers, and to maintain contact with health care providers, as needed. For certain medications, parents often keep a supply at school so they are available to be administered if needed. Additionally at school, I have asked that all teachers turn their air purifiers up a notch to at least help with our inside air. Students should always have drinking water available, and they should wash their hands often (which is important in washing away pollen along with regular dirt and germs). Similarly, students can use a wet paper towel to wipe their eyes (or dry their face after splashing with water). Even though these things won't get rid of the problem, they are small actions

that can be taken to possibly offer some relief. If you have any additional tips or helpful ideas, I would love to hear from you! While we can pretty much guarantee that pollen will be plentiful throughout the spring, here is a link to monitor the daily asthma and allergy forecast:

<https://allergyasthmanetwork.org/weather/>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Relay Race Volunteers Needed

This year the Catholic schools are participating in relay races on May 18, 2024 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. Please let Katy Burfield know you'd like to help by emailing her at kateburfield@gmail.com or click on

the SignUpGenius link below.

Relay Race Volunteer SignUpGenius

Click here [👉](#) to volunteer!

Lunch and Recess Monitors

Would you like to earn volunteer hours by assisting at lunch or recess time? Click the [SignUpGenius](#) Link to see the days/times you can help! Slots are in 30 minute increments and we truly appreciate your willingness to assist the teachers in this way.

Lunch and Recess Monitor Volunteer SignUpGenius

Click here [👉](#) to volunteer!

Auction Volunteers

If you still need volunteer hours, please sign up for one of the many positions available: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4AAFA622A1FF2-48703384-fawspring#/>

There are some day of volunteer opportunities. Sign up today!

Auction Volunteer SignUpGenius

Click here [↗](#) to sign up to help with the Auction!

Sign up to Reserve the Spirit Rock



Spirit Rock Sign Up

Click here [↗](#) to learn more about our the Spirit Rock.

Volunteer Hours Recording Form

Click here [🔗](#) to submit your volunteer hours.

RaiseRight Gift Card Program Account

Click here [🔗](#) to learn about this mandatory program.

TADS Tuition Account

Click here [🔗](#) to log in to your TADS account to view tuition agreements and make payments.

PlusPortals Parent Login

Click here [🔗](#) to log in to see grades and report cards.

Principal Szoch's News

Click here [🔗](#) to read messages from the Principal.

Our Last School Newsletter

Click here [🔗](#) to read our previous Crusader Connections School Newsletter.

Save the Dates

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FAW Destination Imagination's
Pigging Out
for DI

\$5



- "pig"jama Tag Day
- Bake Sale
- Kiss the Pig Contest

\$5 includes:

- Tag Day/PJ's
- 1 Treat from Lunchtime Bake Sale
- 1 Lemonade
- 1 Kiss the Pig ticket

**WEDNESDAY
MAY 8TH**

Additional tickets
available
for purchase:

**\$1/1 ticket
\$5/7 tickets**

*Turn in order form by
May 7th*

**ALL PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT
THE GLOBALS-BOUND DI
TEAMS; TIC TAC SQUIRRELS
AND DI LEGENDS**





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
←	No School – Easter Break					→
7	School Resumes Faith Rally Spring Uniforms Begin	8 Field Trip Grades K & 1	9	10	11 Field Trip Grades 4 & 5 HSA Meeting	12
14	15 Military Child Celebration Day	16	17 MAP Growth Testing Begins	18 Field Trip Grade 3	19 Spring Social & Auction	20
21	22 Earth Day	23	24 Field Trip Grade 4	25	26 Middle School Monthly Activity	27
28	29	30				

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Upcoming Community Events

Click here [↗](#) to view upcoming events from our community.

Weekly Reminders:

- Complete Financial Aid Application (Extended Deadline through Tomorrow)
- Attend the Spring Social/Auction (Friday)
- Buy a raffle ticket for a chance to win free tuition
- Sign up for Tutoring
- Order Hot Lunch
- Support DI
- Order a Yearbook
- Take advantage of the Lands' End uniform sale (w/ RaiseRight gift cards)
- Participate in our Annual Giving Campaign
- Submit Volunteer Hours

As for me and my house
we will serve the **LORD**
-Joshua 24:15



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