

Crusader Connections

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

April 30, 2024



Important Dates

April 30: MAP Growth Testing Continues (grades 2-8)
May 3: First Friday 8:30am Mass, hosted by 1st Grade & May Crowning
May 6-10: Teacher Appreciation Week
May 7: Field Trip (grades K and 1)
May 8: Piggie out for DI Day & Progress Reports Posted (grades 4-8)
May 9: Spring Band and Chorus Concert & 3rd Grade Recorder Performance
May 10: Early Dismissal, 12:30pm & Band Field Trip & Middle School Social at OLSS
May 12: Happy Mother's Day & DI Bake Sale at St. Aloysius Church
May 13: Field Day (grades PK and K) & FAW Athletic Awards Banquet, 6-8pm
May 15: Field Trip (grade 1)
May 16: Field Trips (grades 5 and 8)
May 18: Catholic Schools Relay Races (at SMR) & 1st Communion at St. Aloysius Church
May 21: Field Day (grades 6-8)
May 22: Field Trip (grade 8)
May 22-25: Destination Imagination Global Finals Competition
May 23: Field Trips (grades 1-8)
May 24: FAW Class of 2024 Graduation & **No School for Students**
May 27: No School - Memorial Day
May 29: Field Day (grades 1-5)
May 30: HSA Ice Cream Social
May 31: Last day for Pre-K, Pre-K Graduation, and Middle School Monthly Activity
June 1: Catholic Schools Track Meet (at LFS)
June 6: 8:30am Mass, hosted by 2nd grade & Early Dismissal - Last Day of School

\$3 Tag Day in Memory of Finn - TOMORROW - May 1st

Our school is supporting the family of Finn Cusick, a beloved student from St. Mary's Bryantown who had DIPG. Please consider joining the Catholic schools who are hosting Tag Days in his honor on May 1st, which is the beginning of Brain Cancer Awareness month. Finn's Foundation will also be launched on that day.

Tag Day

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1ST
Wear Yellow/Gold & Gray To Honor
Brain Cancer Awareness Month & Pediatric Cancer

**Bring \$3.00 To Support The
Unveiling Of The Newest
Foundation To Join The Fight
Against DIPG/DMG.**

Finn's Fight Is Still Our Fight!

**Have Pizza for Dinner Tomorrow and Raise
Dough for FAW DI!**

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL IS HOSTING A

PIZZA SPIRIT NIGHT

WEDNESDAY
MAY 1, 2024
3-7 PM

TO HELP OUR TWO
DESTINATION IMAGINATION
TEAMS MAKE IT TO
GLOBALS IN KANSAS CITY!



MENTION
FAW WHEN
ORDERING!!

THE SLICE HOUSE II

22745 WASHINGTON ST. LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

After School Tutoring is Available on Thursdays!

Our National Junior Honor Society would like to provide after school tutoring on Thursdays from now through May 16th. If you are interested in receiving tutoring for your child, please sign up [HERE!](#)

Have your student join members of our Linda Maloney Chapter of NJHS on Thursday afternoons from 2:45-4pm. This is open to students in grades 2-8 and tutors are available for homework help in core subjects as well as Math, Reading, Writing and Spelling practice.

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



Sign up to be Tutored!

Click here  to sign up!

May Crowning

Our annual May Procession and Crowning of Mary will be held **this Friday, May 3rd** after our 8:30am Mass, hosted by our 1st grade.



Used Uniform Pop Up - This Friday!

There will be a used uniform pop up event this Friday after school from 3 - 4:30pm. Thanks for donating clean uniforms for others to enjoy this last quarter of the school year.

Important Dismissal Message

In order to provide for the safety of all of our students and a smooth dismissal, we want to give a friendly reminder regarding dismissal procedures.

1. Please notify the front office by 2pm if you are picking up your child early from school. This ensures for the proper notification of teachers, staff, students and front office.
2. Please avoid using the bus lane after 2pm for pickup.
3. Please ensure that the person picking up is listed on your student emergency contact list.

Thank you for your support!

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 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.

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 D!etermined!!! Every gift is a blessing and we truly appreciate your support! Thank you so much for your contributions.

<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/DIGlobals2024>



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

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DESTINATION IMAGINATION 2024



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



Support Destination Imagination!

A Night at the Races: Saturday, May 4th at the Greene Turtle

Come on out to the Greene Turtle for a fun evening of horse racing, raffles, and a Kentucky Derby watch party to culminate the evening! Last year, we had a blast! Come help make this year's event another one to remember!

A NIGHT AT THE



Races



Saturday, 4 May 4:30-8:00pm.

Greene Turtle, California MD

Join us for an evening filled with excitement while supporting the FAW Destination Imagination Global-bound teams competing in Kansas City 22-25 May!

First race starts at
5:00p.m.

Kentucky Derby Watch
Party immediately
followed by the High
Roller Race!

Admission: free
\$10/bet

High Roller Race: \$20/bet
Raffle Baskets: \$10/tix








Raffle Baskets: Drawing to
be held at the event.
paypal.me/jcacko



Contact cacko@fatherandrewwhite.org
for more info.



MOD Pizza Spirit Night - next Monday!



RAISE SOME DOUGH

JOIN MOD IN SUPPORTING

ORGANIZATION NAME: FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL
DESTINATION IMAGINATION

FUNDRAISER DATE: MAY 6, 2024

Bring in this flyer, or order online through the MOD app or website using the provided coupon and MOD will donate 25% of your bill to support this great school!

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Panda Express Spirit Night - next Wednesday!



Fundraiser for

Father Andrew White School Destination Imagination

20% of event sales will be donated

Raising funds to send teams to
Destination Imagination Global Finals
Tournament in Kansas City




When

Wednesday, May 08, 2024
Time: 9:30 AM to 10:00 PM

Where

Panda Express located at:
44980 St. Andrews Church Road, Suite F
California MD 20619
(301) 363 - 2196


How to Order



Online

PandaExpress.com or the App.
Enter 372113 in the fundraiser code box


or



In-Person

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Order ahead or on the event day Wednesday, May 08, 2024



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Pigging Out for DI - next Wednesday!



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**



Pigging Out for DI: Wednesday May 8th.

Students can place their "orders" this week for how they want to participate in our day of pigging out for DI! Students may wear pajamas, select an item (or 2) from our bake sale/treat table, enjoy a lemonade for lunch, and vote for the teacher that they want to see kiss a pig! Some students may even WANT to kiss a pig, too! They may buy tickets for a chance to pucker up! Order forms are coming home this week. Or look here, in the newsletter for all information and order forms. The DI teams thank you!

Pigging Out for DI - Wed. May 8, 2024

Name _____ Grade: _____

1 | \$5 donation

Includes: (check all that you would like included)

- "Pig" jama tag day
- 1 bake sale goodie
- 1 lemonade
- 1 ticket for "Kiss the Pig"

2 | Extras

- \$1/1 ticket
- \$5/7 tickets
- \$1/bake sale item

3 | Total

I have included \$_____ for
Pigging Out for DI day.

*Please turn in by May 7th.
The FAW DI teams thank you!*

Who do you want to see kiss a pig!? You vote!

Mrs. Gavin

Ms. Pusloskie

Mrs. Schmidt

MRS. HINKLE

MRS. ARMSWORTHY

Mrs. Cacko

Mrs. Greer

YOURSELF?

Mrs. Filippini

MRS. GATES

Mrs. Szoeh



Save the Date!

The Band, Chorus and 3rd Grade Recorder Concert is scheduled for Thursday, May 9th at 6:30pm at Father Andrew White School!

Spring Uniforms are in Effect

Please ensure that your student's uniform is compliant. Remember to check that your student has a belt that fits, buttons are secure on skirts and haircuts are the proper length. Also, our students love to be active at recess! Please ensure your child wears shorts under jumpers or skirts. Thank you for your support and cooperation!

Middle School Social at OLSS - May 10th

LET'S GLOW

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL
90 Alexander Lane, Solomons

**BLACK LIGHT DANCE
MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL**

FRIDAY, MAY 10
7:00-9:30PM

- * ADMISSION: \$7 CASH AT DOOR
- * SIGNED PERMISSION FORM REQUIRED
- * CELL PHONES CHECK IN
- * SNACKS & DRINKS
- * OUTDOOR WATERFRONT PATIO

2024

Wear neon or white to GLOW!



**Our Lady Star of the Sea School
Middle School Social
Friday, May 10, 2024**

Permission Form – Required for Entrance

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Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

School: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

My child has my permission to attend the OLSS Middle School Social on May 10. I understand that any inappropriate conduct will result in a parent/guardian being called to pick up their child immediately from the Dance.

Parent Signature: _____

FAW Athletics

Catholic Schools Relay Races

Relay Race practices are underway!

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



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



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, 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!

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

NOTES FROM NURSE ROSE



Bone and joint pain can occur throughout life for a multitude of reasons. Sometimes, especially with the elderly, it can even be used to forecast the weather (ie when "Old Arthur(-itis) starts acting up!"). With children, we sometimes dismiss their complaints as "just growing pains." Often this is indeed the case, but it's always important to be sure of the actual cause. Common reasons for bone and joint pain in children include sprains, strains, fractures, cartilage tears, and tendonitis. Buckle fractures of the forearm are often seen when a child falls onto an outstretched arm. Aside from injuries, children may have pain from juvenile idiopathic arthritis, Still's disease (a form of rheumatoid arthritis), hereditary multiple exostoses (HME), or other congenital, autoimmune, and varying conditions and diseases. When it comes to knee pain, a fairly common childhood ailment is something called Osgood Schlatter's Disease. This is actually an irritation of the growth area where a bony raised area develops just below the kneecap, and it happens because the bones grow fast but the muscles don't always keep up. Fortunately, it can be helped with proper treatment once

the cause is identified. In general, If your child is experiencing pain, and they can't seem to "walk it off," you should probably visit a professional - and don't forget the acronym RICE (rest, ice, compression, and elevation).

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!

Thank you to our 2024 Auction Sponsors!

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL

Spring Social & Auction

THANK YOU TO OUR 2024 SPONSORS

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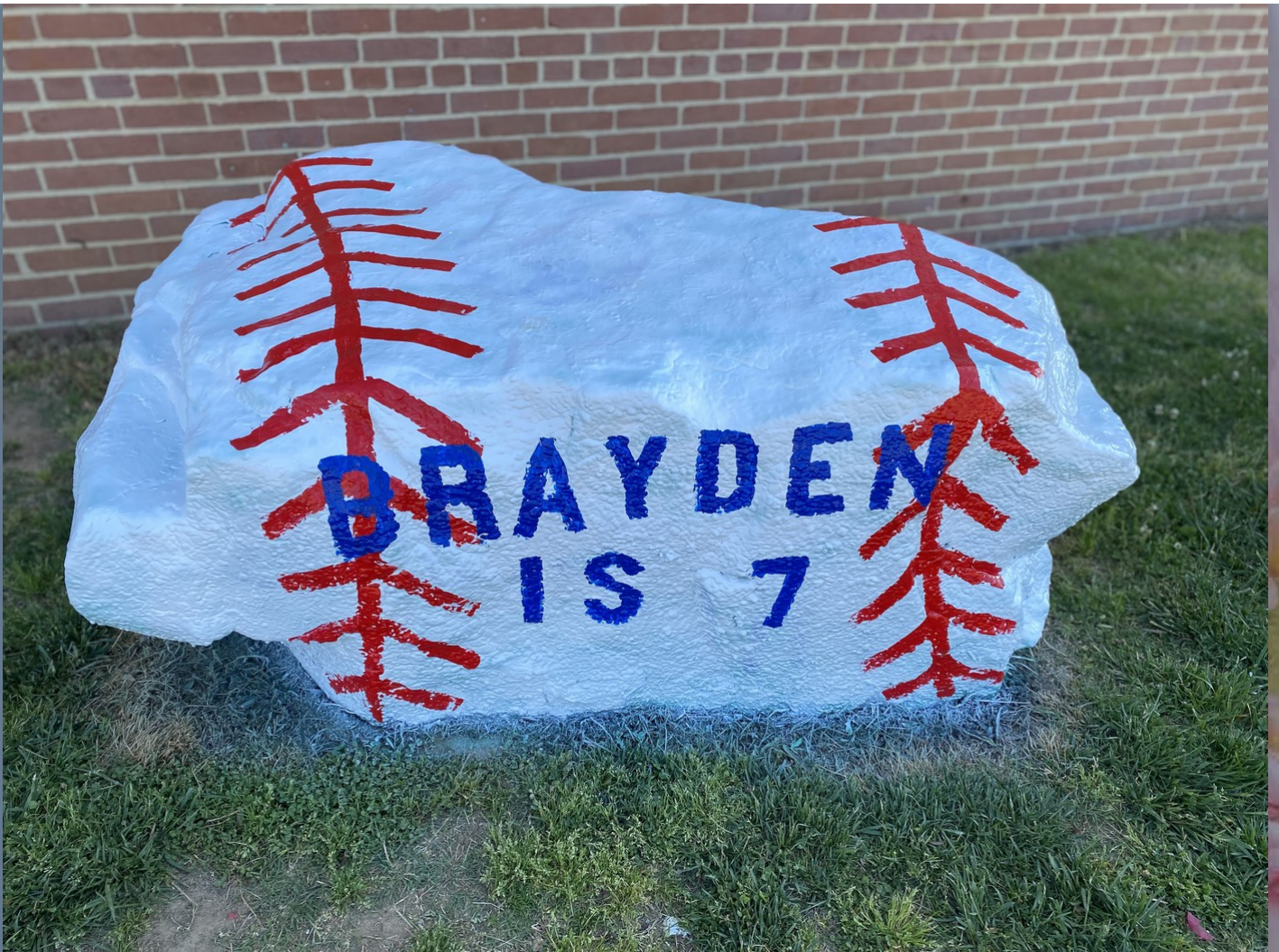


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Spirit Rock Sign Up

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

Volunteer Hours Recording Form

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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.

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!





MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 First Friday Mass 8:30am (hosted by 1st Grade) May Crowning	4
5	6	7 MAP Growth Testing - Math (Grades 2-8)	8 Pigging out for DI Day Progress Reports Posted (grades 4-8)	9 Spring Band & Chorus Concert 6:30pm	10 Band Field Trip 12:30pm Early Dismissal	11
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19	20	21 Field Day Grades 6-8	22 Grade 8 Field Trip	23 Grades 1-8 Field Trips	24 Class of 2024 8 th Grade Graduation, 10am No School	25
26	27 No School Memorial Day	28	29 Field Day Grades 1-5	30 HSA Ice Cream Social	31 Last Day for Pre-K Pre-K Promotion Middle School Monthly Activity	

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Upcoming Community Events

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

We Are HIRING



Father Andrew White, SJ School is seeking qualified candidates who have a college degree and a passion for teaching children and bringing them closer to God.

Positions Available

- Middle School Social Studies Teacher
- Middle School Literature Teacher
- Part Time Teacher's Aide
- Substitute Teachers

Contact Us

office@fatherandrewwhite.org
301-475-9795



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Weekly Reminders:

- Attend First Friday Mass and May Crowning (Friday)
- Check out the Used Uniform Pop Up Event (Friday)
- Sign up for Tutoring
- Support DI
- 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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