

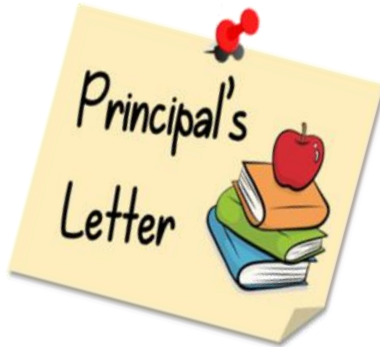


BOBCAT BUZZ



October 2021

HAPPY FALL Y'ALL!



We are moving toward the second quarter and I am so proud of our community! Classrooms are filled with learning, laughter and prayer. SMCS Clubs started last month and students are enjoying a variety of experiences with Chess, Theater, Orchestra, Crochet Crew, Soccer Shots and Engineering. Our athletics teams are showing great sportsmanship on and off the field and court in Cross Country, Volleyball and Soccer. This month I am looking forward to seeing pets at Blessing of the Animals and of course we are all excited for the Halloween Carnival. I agree with Logan and Benjamin... this year is a thumbs up! God bless you and your family! Blessings,



Mrs. Halbardier



UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Activity
Oct. 3	All Masses	First Sunday Mass
Oct. 4	8:00 am	Blessing of the Animals
Oct. 5	All Day	Esteban's Fundraiser
Oct. 8	No School	Parent/Teacher Conference
Oct. 10	10:00 am - 6:00 pm	SMCC Bazaar
Oct. 11	No School	Teacher In-Service
Oct. 15		Winter Sports Registration Ends
Oct. 25 - 29		Red Ribbon Week
Oct. 29		Halloween Carnival
Nov. 1		All Saints Day – Saints Museum and Saint Procession

MORNING PRAYER

Oct. 4– Oct. 7	Mrs. Pray 's 4th Grade
Oct. 12- Oct. 15	Ms. Matthew's 3rd Grade
Oct. 18— Oct. 22	Mrs. Mellado's 3rd Grade
Oct. 25– Oct. 29	Mrs. Rivet's 2nd Grade

FIRST SUNDAY MASS



Students who attend any Mass in person wearing full dress uniform will earn **free dress the following Monday**. Due to COVID-19 limitations, you do not need to sign up in the Narthex at this time.



PARENTS IN PRAYER

Our new SMCS prayer group, Parents in Prayer, meets in the church every Wednesday at 8:00AM. All parents, grandparents and friends of SMCS are invited to participate! Please contact [Alison Howes](#) with any questions regarding this wonderful ministry!



HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

The Halloween Carnival will be on Oct. 29th. Activities will be held in Cargill Hall and outside. Parents interested in volunteering can contact [Patricia Richards](#) for more information.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Blessing of the Animals will be on Oct. 4th at 8:00AM at the front of the school. Families are invited to bring their leashed or caged pets for a blessing from Fr. John. All pets must return home after the blessing. Students that don't have a pet or can't bring their pet are invited to bring a stuffed animal or a picture of an animal to be blessed. Car line will be at the back of the school on Monday, Oct. 4th.



RED RIBBON WEEK

Oct. 25	Red, White, and Blue Day	Wear a patriotic shirt with uniform bottoms.
Oct. 26	Put a Lid on Drugs	Wear your spirit shirt with uniform bottoms and your favorite hat.
Oct. 27	Team Up Against Bullying and Drugs	Wear your favorite college or sports team shirt with free dress bottoms.
Oct. 28	Choose to Live "Happily Ever After" Be Drug Free	Wear a Disney character costume or a Disney shirt with free dress bottoms .
Oct. 29	Halloween Say "Boo" to Drugs	Wear your Halloween costume. No costume masks, toy weapons, witches, or devils.

BAZAAR UPDATE

Thank you to all the parents who have signed up to volunteer their time working the Cake Wheel and Spin-A-Toy booths at our parish bazaar on October 10th, all spots are now filled! Booths will be assembled next weekend, so car line will be a bit different until after the bazaar. All cars will enter from Walker (next to the new building) not Texas while the booths are set up. See Mrs. Ellison's email for carline information and map. Please continue to send in new or gently used toys for the Spin-A-Toy booth, and get ready to drop off cakes at school on Friday, October 8th or at the Cake Wheel booth on Sunday, October 10th.



BAZAAR TAKE-DOWN



Monday, October 11th is a Teacher In-Service day and our students will not have classes this day. Families may consider earning service hours for their eligible students on this day by helping to break down the booths that were used for the parish bazaar. Any participating students must be accompanied by an adult.

TEACHER WISHLISTS

SMCS Teachers made Wishlists for classroom supplies. Consider donating to your child's class!

Mrs. Wright	https://a.co/8hMbzQv
Mrs. Gilmore	https://a.co/9BjCDGM
Mrs. Brummett	https://a.co/hzJ70cE
Mrs. Whatley	https://a.co/fcl1R63
Mrs. Ovalle	https://a.co/6HL35Ke
Mrs. Rivet	https://a.co/5BFNiv7
Mrs. Mellado	https://a.co/b0jfe0f
Ms. Matthews	https://a.co/fVFeulR
Mrs. Pray	https://a.co/6P86MJI
Mrs. Keaten	https://a.co/cf4vg8m
Mrs. Crosiner	https://a.co/5V96A2R
Mrs. Rios	https://a.co/5Nc7VYh
Ms. Bryan	https://a.co/ihg9XPU
Mrs. Miller	https://a.co/8sRLxms
Mrs. White	https://a.co/5sTKkRy
Coach DeLeon	https://a.co/3e6w4pC
Mrs. Pate	https://a.co/fdCySOg

SCHOOL NURSE

Welcome to Mrs. Dennis, RN, who has joined SMCS as our new school nurse! Mrs. Dennis is here to care for our students and help parents with school-related medical concerns. Please contact her at tdennis@stmarylc.org.



FALL ATHLETICS

The Candy Cart is returning this year to help fund SMCS Athletics! Contact [Ms. DeLeon](#) for volunteer details. Also, take a look at the [Cherrydale Fundraiser](#), ending Oct. 1st – help us meet our \$4,000 goal! Be sure to check the [school calendar](#) for the up-to-date volleyball, soccer, and cross-country schedules.



UNIFORM REMINDERS



Students in 1st through 8th grade are required to have their shirts tucked in and wear belts on regular uniform days. All students are required to wear appropriate socks for their age and state of dress, according to the [SMCS dress code](#). Any families missing certain uniform items can contact [Janet Ellison](#) in the front office; she can provide from the SMCS used uniform collection free of charge. Thank you for assisting your student in looking their best!

ESTEBAN'S FUNDRAISER



Oct. 5th ALL DAY eat at Esteban's and raise money for SMCS. Mention the fundraiser and 25% of all sales go to SMCS!

THANK YOU

- ... **Nancy Alvarez** for coordinating the Blingo fundraiser
- ... **Alyson Garcia** for making Mass Boxes for Pre-K students
- ... **All the Families** that donated supplies to hurricane relief efforts in Louisiana
- ... **Esteban's** for hosting the SMCS fundraiser
- ... **All the Families** that donated to the SMCS Athletic Amazon Wishlist

RESOURCES

- ParentsWeb (FACTS, grades, lunch ordering)
stmy-tx.client.renweb.com/pwr
- Teacher's Friday Letters
<https://www.stmarylc.org/academics/newsletters.cfm>
- St. Mary Facebook Page
www.facebook.com/stmarylc