

LIBRARY BIRTHDAY BUDDY PROGRAM

2026-2027

Dear St. Mary Families,

Celebrate your child's special day while helping grow our school library through our Birthday Buddy Program!

The Birthday Buddy Program is a fun tradition that allows students to celebrate their birthday while donating a new book to our library for all students to enjoy.

How It Works

- At least two weeks before your child's birthday (or another date you'd like to celebrate), complete and submit the Birthday Buddy request form to Mrs. Shipley.
- A \$25 charge will be added to your FACTS account to purchase a birthday book for the library.
- Your child will get to choose a special character to spend the day with and select a book from our Birthday Book collection.
- New this year: We've added even more fun characters to choose from!
- Students in Grades 5–8 may choose a Free Dress Day instead of spending the day with a character.
- A personalized bookplate will be placed inside the front cover of the donated book in honor of your child.

On Your Child's Special Day

Your child's chosen character, birthday goodies, and library book will be delivered to their classroom to help celebrate.

The character will spend the entire school day with your child before returning to the library at dismissal. Your child will take home their birthday book to enjoy for the standard one-week checkout period.

When the book is returned, it will become part of the St. Mary Library collection, allowing other students to discover and enjoy it for years to come.

Choosing Your Character

Please list three character choices on the request form in case your first choice has already been reserved for another student. This is uncommon but can occasionally happen.

We can't wait to celebrate with your child and continue building a wonderful library collection for our St. Mary community!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Shipley at bshipley@stmarylc.org.

Thank you for supporting the St. Mary Library!



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(ONE CHILD PER FORM PLEASE)

STUDENT NAME: _____

DONOR NAME: _____

OCCASION: _____

DATE: _____

ALTERNATIVE DATE: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE AND NUMBER YOUR 3 CHOICES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE, WITH "1" BEING YOUR FIRST CHOICE.

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____



~~~~~ CIRCLE HERE FOR FREE DRESS OPTION (5<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 8<sup>TH</sup> ONLY) ~~~~~