



St. Margaret School Family Newsletter

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CHICK-FIL-A TOMORROW FOR THOSE WHO ORDERED

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ❖ May 10 (Fri): Hot Lunch Forms are due tomorrow!
Mother's Day Tea in the gym for grades PK (9:30) and Kdg (10:30)
Mother's Day Tea in the Antioch Annex for grade 1 (1:30)
- ❖ May 14 (Tues): Drama Club Performance at 7 pm in the Antioch Annex
- ❖ May 16 (Thurs): SMS Spring Concert at 7 pm in the gym
- ❖ May 17 (Fri): Mother-Son Bowling at 6:30 at Wynnewood Lanes
- ❖ May 21 (Tues): Drama Club Performance 7pm in the Antioch Annex
- ❖ May 23-27: No School (Memorial Day Weekend)
- ❖ May 31 (Fri): Donuts with Dad at 7:15 am

PLEASE NOTE:

We have a long holiday weekend coming up at the end of this month: Memorial Day weekend. Please note there will be no school on Thursday, 5/23, Friday, 5/24 and Monday 5/27. **WE WILL HAVE SCHOOL ON ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 30th with a school Mass at 8:45.**

ANNUAL APPEAL FOR FACULTY & STAFF YEAR-END-YEAR GIFT/FUND:

At this time of the year, we ask all families to participate in SMS's year-end gift for the teachers and staff. The St Margaret parish community has the opportunity to participate in this annual appeal as well. Our faculty and staff continue to fulfill their vocation in Catholic education each day, promoting our mission through faith, service, guidance and education to our students. This is one way to show thanks for sharing their passion all year long. Please read the letter enclosed (back to back) in this week's Thursday Family Envelope and consider this meaningful gift rather than other gifts this year. All contributions remain confidential; our faculty and staff are truly appreciative. The SMS Advisory Board thanks you in advance for your consideration and participation!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Congratulations to the 2nd Grade on reception of the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist last Saturday. It was a beautiful ceremony, and the boys and girls were wonderful. A special thank you is extended to our Pastor, **Monsignor Dougherty**, our SMS Principal, **Mrs. Johnston**, our 2nd Grade teacher, **Miss Dolores Lopresti** and our Parish Director of Religious Education, **Mrs. Mary Ann Monroe**, for all their hard work in preparing these communicants for their special day.

Thank you to our Musicians, **Mr. & Mrs. Mike Worth** and our Liturgical Minister for their generously giving of their time and talents to enhance the beauty of this celebration.

MOTHER/SON BOWLING:

This great night of fun for SMS boys and their moms/special friends is scheduled for **Friday, May 17th at 6:30 pm** at the Wynnewood Lanes, Wynnewood. PLEASE SEND IN YOUR SIGN UP form.



SMS SPRING CONCERT:

The Annual Spring Concert will take place next **Thursday evening May 16th at 7:00 pm** in the gym. The students in Junior and Senior Band, Chorus and Grades 3, 4, and 7 will be participating.

- All **Chorus members** should report to school by 6:45 and wait in the KindergartenA classroom.
- Students in grades **3, 4, and 7** should report to the Cafeteria by 6:45 pm.
- All **Jr. & Sr. Band** should report to school by 6:45 pm and wait in the Art Room.

DONUTS WITH DAD!

This special annual event takes place on Friday, MAY 31st, from 7:15 am to 8:15 am. Come and enjoy hot coffee, juice, fresh donuts, and wonderful company. If Dad is unavailable, please bring another favorite adult. No reservation necessary! We do need volunteers to make this a success! A volunteer sign-up sheet is enclosed in this week's newsletter.

CELEBRATE MARY WITH MOM

May is the month of Mary. Since she is the patroness of our *Ministry of Mothers* (MOM) group, we will focus on getting to know her better this month. All are welcome, especially you mothers, to join us this coming Wednesday, May 15, 9:00 – 10:15am, in the Antioch Annex. Coffee and refreshments are provided, as well as toys for children. Our following meetings, all 9:00 – 10:15am, are: May 15, May 29, and June 12!

LIBRARY NEWS:

- 24 to go! Thank you to the **Basile and McGurkin families** for sending in LEGO 10x10 green base plates! Our count down has started and we now need 24 more to finish the second EPIC LEGO WALL! You can help too! Send in LEGO brand only 10"X10" green base plates - available at Amazon for a reduced cost. Thank you!
- Thank you to Mrs. Hollowell's 3rd grade. They have diligently been helping sort the bins of LEGO inherited by the old LEGO Club. We are going to have an awesome MakerSpace in the library next year.

H&S SURVEY

On Monday evening, every family received a message from Mrs. D regarding a H&S Survey. Thanks to the 100 families who took participated. **WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.** Please click here if you have not filled out the survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3K8SPVD>

STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS:

- Congratulations to Class 3A!!!! You win a pizza party sponsored by the HSA! Thanks to all parents who participated by purchasing tickets to the event.
- Two 7th graders, **Mariel Negrin and Gianna Noble** who demonstrate a special talent for painting/drawing were chosen to attend a workshop for a fun afternoon of painting at Merion Mercy Academy. Merion Mercy recently opened two new art studios for its Art Major program, ninth grade program and four elective courses. The students that attended worked on a project with the department chair, Maria Boyd, her assistant and some of the students who are currently in MMA's National Art Honor Society.

END OF THE YEAR TUITION

In order to not jeopardize graduating, end of the year report cards and/or not returning next year, all tuition must be paid in full before the end of the school year 2017-2018. Please call Mr Coombs, Business Mgr (610-665-3770) if you have any concerns or to make arrangements. Thank you.



ICE CREAM PARTIES:

The last day for ordering an Ice Cream Treat for a Birthday child and their class will be Thurs. May 30th. If you would like to order a birthday treat, please place the order asap. Contact jpacelli@smsnarberth.org

SPECIAL LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL CARES OPPORTUNITY:

The SMS CARES staff is willing to have a CARES program the last week of week on the early dismissal days - Tues (6/11), Wed (6/12) and Thurs (6/13) - from 12:00 to 3 pm or from 12:00 to 6:00 pm here at SMS. The cost is \$25.00 per day (12 to 3 pm) or \$50.00 per day (12 to 6 pm). All families received an email with the CARES form. Please print this sheet out and return with payment to the school office.

BUSING FOR NEXT YEAR:

If your child/ren are not currently taking the bus and would like to be added on the bus list for 19-20 school year, please email Mrs. D office@smsnarberth.org or call the school office. Please note that your family must meet the eligibility criteria for bus service. (KDG is not eligible to take the Phila bus)

AMAZON SMILE ORDERS SUPPORT SMS!

Mother's Day is coming up on Sunday, May 12, and many of our SMS supporters are shopping for gifts. This is a great opportunity to increase St. Margaret Catholic School & Parish's AmazonSmile donations (at no added cost to you) by denoting SMS as your favored charity when shopping: smile.amazon.com/ch/23-2134217. Be sure to save the Smile site in your favorites! **Highlights this quarter: \$108.04 profit. We have received \$742.79 since the inception of this program.**

SCRIP:

Online purchases are now available along with purchase through school and rectory. You may also order online at ShopWithScrip.com. **(Enrollment code: 6EL64A3F6L55)**. Earn money while you shop! Credit slips can be used for end of year tuition, Teacher Gift, CARES, or school donations.