



St. Andrew Parish School

School  Church  Community

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*“St. Andrew Parish School is where faith and knowledge meet.
We are called to Teach, Reflect, and Live the Gospel”.*

Parent Newsletter - September 19, 2016

Dear School Families,

Good Morning and Happy Monday. As we enter “Week # 3” of school, we continue to extend our many thanks, blessings, and gratitude to all of the students, parents, parish members who help make our school successful.

A tremendous thank you to our very own Senora Freitag and Diego Anaya, our many School Families and Parish Families that celebrated: “Let’s Fiesta” over the weekend. This is a great time to reflect how are school, parish, city, county, and cultures combined celebrate and recognize Mexico’s Independence Day. The parade, music, dancing, games, clothes, the weather, and food were outstanding. Thank you all for making this a great opportunity for ~~Muchas Gracias~~ *Senora Freitag e’ Senior Anaya!*

I want to take a moment to thank our wonderful students and families that made it out to our first Sunday Student Mass, yesterday, Sunday (9/18). Seeing our students participate in Mass, their faces light up with pride, and our faces light up with pride and tears of joy, it is something wonderful to be a part of. Very special thanks go out to our amazing Teachers: Mrs. Deb Amici and Mrs. Michele Raykovich for helping our students today. Thank you ladies very much!

Current Business:

1. For safety reasons, please be mindful that the School is still active in the *Construction & Clean Zones*. Tuck-Pointing work continues. There are construction / safety cones placed in strategic areas for everyone’s safety. Please use designated areas to park during the school day. Our students use the school parking lot (east of the school), as recess and at times an “outside” classroom (Phy-Ed, Classroom). Having cars park there are a safety hazard for our students. Any questions or something we can help you with, please call the main office.

2. We are are need and if anyone is interested: We are looking for some assistance/leadership opportunities for someone to help be the Chairperson for the St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser and the Chairperson for the St. Nick's Children's Gift Shop. Anyone interested in St. Patrick's Committee, please contact Mike Heindselman, and any interest in St. Nick's, please contact Jen Martin of the P.S.A at 262-949-2205. Thank you
3. **Parents of Drop Off / Pick up Students:** Please remember that at no time can we allow a student to be dropped off before 8am without Adult Supervision. Due to liability and safety issues we must stress there has to be an Adult Representative from the School to supervise the students. If you find that this won't work for whatever reason, then we can make arrangements with our K-Club before/after school care and there is a fee involved. Thank you for understanding that we take your student's safety seriously and want to communicate what Safety Protocols are in place and we must adhere to them. Thank you.
4. Effective from the first day of school, all St. Andrew students were given their own St. Andrew G-Mail account. Their classroom teacher hopefully has or will send out information on how to access these. Any questions, please contact your student's classroom teacher or our IT/Media Specialist, Mrs. Juliet Larson at jl Larson@standrewsparishschool.com.
5. **A great way to bring monies into the school is by saving your "Box Tops for Education" box tops** on boxed goods you purchase and old empty printer ink cartridges. Collecting the box tops into groups/bundles of 50 and rubber-banding them together, putting them into a sandwich baggie or envelope and then forward them with your student to school. We have a collection box for the box tops on Main Floor outside the 2nd Grade Classroom. Safely bring in the empty printer ink cartridges and place into our School Faculty Meeting Room.
6. **Friday Masses.** Unless announced by your student's teacher, please try to have your student dress in their Friday Mass Polo with Khaki Pants for boys and girls, or skirts for girls. We will communicate in advance when or if shorts will be allowed. Thanks for your help.
7. If you know someone who is **certified to teach or substitute teach** with a current Wisconsin DPI License, and who may be interested in substitute teaching here at St. Andrew, please forward their name and contact information. Thank you.
8. We are in need for Morning Recess Substitute and Lunch Duty Substitute Supervision help for our students and staff. There are some days when our volunteers are absent, sick , or simply don't show up. Our staff is asking for your help if you can contact your student's) teachers and indicate if and when you may lend an extra hand. There are many times our teachers are running all day long, not enough time for simple pleasures such as lunch, bathroom break etc...If interested in donating or even receive a small stipend for lunch duty, please contact our Main Office. Thank you.

9. **Our School Spirit Wear Vendor is MMPR out of Janesville.** Info packets were available at Registration day, but if you missed them, please visit our own St. Andrew URL at:

<http://www.mmprinc.net/product-category/andrew16/>

*Our "School Store" online will be open for 2 more weeks. Please place your orders as quickly as possible. Remember, every item ordered, a large percentage is given back on every item ordered directly to the school. Thanks...

10. **"Weekly Envelopes"** that go home have recently been going home on Tuesdays of each week. We are going to start sending them home on Thursdays of each week. This allows for parents to receive more pertinent information throughout the week and not have to wait until the following week. Please try to have your student return their envelope by that next Friday or no later than Monday. Thank you.
11. **From our Spartan Volleyball Coaches:** "Unless otherwise directed by the Coaching Staff or a message from Coach Q. or Main Office, Volleyball Games and or Practices will always be Monday thru Thursday." Thanks Coaches for all of your hard work and our Lady Spartans!

Update Calendar of Events:

1. **Student picture Retakes and any student who did not have their picture taken on Registration day will be on Monday, 9/19 in the morning.** Please do not wear the color "Green". Our photographer will honor any picture "defect" or a "eyes closed" kind of shot to retake at no cost, please bring in your old "proof envelope. If one wants a re-take "just because" there will be a separate fee for that.
2. **Info on Lunches:** If one has applied for free or reduced lunches, your application is due to the Main Office by Wednesday, 9/21. Effective October 1: Lunch Fees are due to the Office by the 10th of every month to avoid a "\$5.00" Late Fee. Thanks for your attention to this.
3. We are holding our **Parent, School, Association Committee Meeting on Monday, 9/26** in the School Teacher Lounge at 6p. Any items you may want to share, please forward to Jen Martin or myself.
4. Please continue to **check School Website** for important upcoming events such as: Our back to school pizza night: which will be held on Wednesday, 9/21 at 6p.

5. **From Patty Kostechka regarding Sunday Masses:**

American Sign Language Classes are being offered at Wisconsin School for the Deaf.

Who: Adults and children (6 years old and up)

What To Do : Come to sign up for class and learn what's being offered

Where: Wisconsin School for the Deaf
309 West Walworth Avenue
Delavan, Wisconsin 53115

When: Orientation in the Lee Gym on Monday, September 26th, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Have questions contact: Alyson.Urdahl@wsd.k12.wi.us

6. **From Mary Robers and the Parent School Association (PSA):** "As we prepare for our Curriculum Back to School Night this Wednesday, 9/14, we would appreciate all parents to use the link enclosed and possibly participate in the many volunteer opportunities such as "Room Moms" etc. These opportunities help assist our classroom teachers and our students with organization and the day to day operations of a successful classroom.

Use the link below, it is a pdf (Google Chrome) formatted link. We would appreciate the forms back Friday, 9/30/16. You can turn them into the Main Office. Any questions, please contact the Main Office. Thank you for all of your help":

["https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdm4MzNe4dWmH52e0ORby_gg9ybl2sGFrnqWEYeZdn6k30mSQ/viewform?embedded=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdm4MzNe4dWmH52e0ORby_gg9ybl2sGFrnqWEYeZdn6k30mSQ/viewform?embedded=true)

7. **2016 FALL BOOK FAIR** - St. Andrew's Parent School Association is hosting a Fall Book Fair as a Fundraiser. The fair will feature specially priced book's and educational products, including newly released books, award-winning titles, children's classics, religious books, interactive software and current bestsellers from more than 150 publishers. The fair will be located in the Teacher's Lounge on the first floor. Be on the lookout for the Book Fair flyer being sent home in the family envelope.

Book Fair Schedule:

Wednesday 28 (7:45 am - 3:30pm)

Thursday 29 (7:45 am - 3:30pm)

Friday 30th (7:45 am - 3:30pm)

8. **Safe-Guarding Classes with Mr. Al Seeman** is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, 9/28 at 5:30p in the School Cafeteria. You plan to be a Room Mom / Dad, Volunteer, Chaperone of any kind, you will need to take this class and have a certificate of completion on file with the Parish/School Office. Any questions, please contact Shelley Koch at 262-728-5922. Thanks.
 9. **8th Graders will be going on a Field Trip** this Thursday, 9/22 at the Covenant Harbor. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Amici at her email: damici@standrewsparishschool.com. Thanks
 10. Students have been working hard in Art Class preparing for our **"PinWheels for Peace"** celebration that will take place on Wednesday, 9/21. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mariscano at: nmariscano@standrewsparishschool.com. Thanks.
 11. **Our Annual Back to School Pizza Night** is scheduled for this Wednesday Night, 9/21 at 6p in the School Cafeteria. Please refer to the School Website for Upcoming Events and what to bring. Hope to see you all there. Thanks.
 12. In doubt of what is transpiring in your student(s) classroom? I highly encourage you to visit their **Classroom Teacher's Google Home-Page** for items such as: Homework, Special Events, Quizzes, Tests, any all pertinent information to that Teacher and/or Subject Area. Any questions, please contact that Teacher directly. If you need further assistance after those attempts (at least 2), then contact me to help out as much as I can. Thanks.
 13. **From Mrs. Ruesch (Our Ever Working Hard "Keeper of Our Websites"):**
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Thank you Mrs. Ruesch for all you do.

Professional Learning Community Links/Happenings

1. Robert Krueger from Dousman Transport (School Bus Co.) states that the Dousman Bus Co. is looking for quality School Bus Driver's for the upcoming year. If a qualified Bus Driver from the St. Andrew's Family is chosen, Dousman will give St. Andrew a \$500.00 voucher to be used on a school trip. If interested, please contact Robert Krueger at 262-728-9461 or robertk@dtcbus.com.

Quotes from Dr. Cepelka, Superintendent of Arch Schools-Milwaukee

Gravissimum Educationis 6. Code of Canon Law
Canons 793, #2

"By reason of their evangelizing mission, Catholic Schools should be available to all people who desire a Catholic School Education for their Children"

"If not this, then what? If not us, then who? If not now, then when?"

"We have to remember we are by virtue: a Catholic School, not a Private School"

Principal's Message

1. If you want something posted on the weekly letter or school website, please contact me via email: rgreen@standrewsparishschool.com "No Later Than" the Thursday of each week. It would be greatly appreciated and perhaps make the letter more coherent at times; thanks for your patience.
2. With so much going on, it is possible I may have missed information that needs to be sent. As I find it, I will disseminate it as quickly as possible. Take care all and God Bless.

Very Respectfully,

Randy