

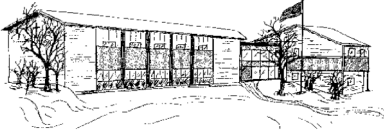
St. Andrew School Newsletter

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Looking Ahead:

Mar. 15	Kindergarten interviews
Mar. 15	Helena Symphony, 5 th Grade, 1:00
Mar. 15	Science Fair (date correction)
Mar. 21	Music Fest at HMS Grades 8-10
Mar. 22	Options, gr. 11-12
Mar. 23	Art Show, 7:00pm
Mar. 25	VIRTUS at St. Andrew (please register in advance)
Mar. 27	Science Fair Missoula (for those who signed up)
Mar. 29	End of Quarter
Mar. 30	Early dismissal, 11:45, Teachers' meeting
Mar. 31	Report cards
Apr. 5	Orchestra Recitals at St. Andrew
Apr. 6	Orchestra Recitals at St. Andrew
Apr. 14	Good Friday, NO SCHOOL
Apr. 17	Easter Monday, NO SCHOOL
April 18	Youth Electrum at Holter (for winners of St. A art show)

Ongoing Weekly Extracurricular Activities:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Homework Club 3:00-4:15	Homework Club 3:00-4:15	Homework Club 3:00-4:15	Homework Club 3:00-4:15



Families are welcome to join the students and faculty at Stations of the Cross, Fridays, Mar. 17th, and 24th, and Apr. 7th at 2:40 in the gym.

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Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Andrew Junior League

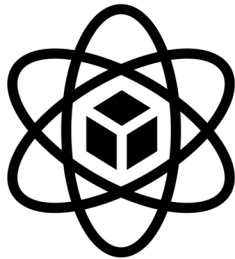
Friday, Mar. 17, 11:45

Art Room

Prayer, fellowship, snacks and the opportunity to learn more about the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

All students are welcome.

Next month we will resume meeting on the first Friday of the month.



SCIENCE FAIR TOMORROW, MARCH 15

Parents can view the projects
tomorrow between 11:30 and 2:00 in
the gym



The Parent Communication Committee has created a survey to assess current communication methods with parents. We welcome your feedback concerning how St. Andrew School communicates with parents currently and how we can improve. If each family would please go to <https://goo.gl/forms/lgA9nmWFKtj0z0l52> and take 5-10 minutes to complete the anonymous survey, we would appreciate it.

Parents who are interested in joining the Parent Communication Committee, please call the office to let us know.

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Kindergarten Round-up

Kindergarten interviews are tomorrow!

If you have a child who will be five years of age by September 1st please call the office to schedule your appointment. Families, it is **very important** that we be made aware of younger siblings entering kindergarten as the class is filling up! Although existing families have first priority, your deposit secures your spot.

ALSO... it is not too early to make an appointment to have your child's vaccination updated. The State of Montana **requires** children about to enter Kindergarten to have received 2 doses of MMR, 2 doses of Varicella vaccine, 3 doses of Polio vaccine and at least 1 dose after the 4th birthday, and 4 doses of DTP/DT/DTap/Td (1 dose after the 4th birthday). Your doctor's office can fax the vaccination record to us at 449-0129. Records should be in the school office before school starts in August.

ATTENTION, PLEASE!

Parents of 6th graders...it is not too early to make an appointment to have your child's vaccination updated.

The State of Montana requires children about to enter 7th grade to have received a Tdap booster which protects against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (whooping cough).

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Your doctor's office can fax the records to us at 449-0129.

40 Days for Life

From **March 1 through April 9**, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood (1500 Cannon St.), and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact: Sarah Leslie 461-4776 or helena40dfl@gmail.com. For detailed information on 40 days for life or to sign up to pray, check out the website: 40daysforlife.com/Helena

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Catholics Women's Conference This Weekend!

"Come to Me"
~ Matt 11:28



A SPA DAY FOR THE SOUL

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017
CIVIC CENTER ~ HELENA, MT

Register: ShowMyEvent.com
Visit: Helenacwc.com

Contact rvburnett@blackfoot.net
or (406) 677-7772 or (406) 439-7699

Join women from Montana and beyond for prayer, speakers, music, fellowship and more!
Will conclude with Mass

Catholic Women's
CONFERENCE

Registration Rates:

(includes lunch if registered through Mar 8)

Individual	\$45 through Feb 1
Individual	\$55 Feb 2-Mar 8
Student	\$30
Vendor	\$30
Volunteer	\$30
At Door	\$65 (lunch not guaranteed)
Limited Scholarships Available	



Emerald Isle Auction 2017



CORRECTION

(In the last newsletter we inadvertently listed the purchasers of last year's class projects. Mea culpa! The list below is correct.)

Class Projects:

Thank you for supporting the school by buying the class auction projects!

Joey Nistler	K - "Hats off to Dr. Seuss"
Brittany Hogan	1 - "Adventure is Out There"
Mary Thompson	2 - "Polar Express"
Zia Clark	3 - "Cowboy Up"
Mark Dietz	4 - "A Lamp Unto My Feet"
Jennifer Schmitt	5,6 - "Prayers Answered"
Sarah Garcia	7 - "Glamping"
Brigitte Baker	8 - "Catch the Big One"
Jeff Walker	9,10 - "Get the Picture?"
Erin MacLean	11,12 - "Vintage"

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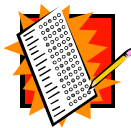
Congratulations!

On Friday, March 10th, two of our talented students, Elina and Maia Maganito played the piano at the Helena Music Teachers Association Festival. The adjudicator has recommended them for the Honors Festival this Saturday, March 18th. Good work, girls!



Happy St. Patrick's Day

On Friday, March 17th, students may wear green in honor of St. Patrick. This is a non-uniform dress day **only** if your non-uniform item is mostly green. Students may also wear green accessories, socks, shoes, etc.



Attention Junior Students!

When's the Best Time to Take the SAT?

The SAT and other College Board tests are offered several times a year. Most students take the SAT for the first time during the spring of their junior year and a second time during the fall of their senior year.

SAT Test Date:	Registration Deadline:	Late Registration Deadline:
May 6	April 7	April 25
June 3	May 9	May 24



Students were given boxes for the CRS Rice Bowl project. The money that is donated goes to Catholic Relief Services to feed the poor. Please encourage your children to think of those less fortunate than themselves and to make a sacrifice for them. The boxes will be due back in the school office on **Friday, April 7th**.

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MUSIC FEST 8th, 9th and 10th Grade:

Tuesday, March 21,

Practice: 11:00-2:30 at Helena Middle School

Performance: 6:00 pm at Helena Middle School

8th, 9th and 10th grade Orchestra students from St. Andrew School will rehearse and perform with students from Helena Middle School and CR Anderson.

**PARTICIPATION FORMS AND \$2 FEE (for lunch) MUST BE RETURNED TO
MRS. ELLIOTT BY THU., MAR. 16.**

(Checks may be made out to St. Andrew School)



Art Show and Open House

St. Andrew School will be holding an Art Show and Open House on **Thursday, March 23rd at 7p.m.** Student artwork will be displayed, students will demonstrate techniques, and refreshments will be served. Be sure to come see how talented these students are.

Two pieces of art per grade will be selected to go on to the Youth Electrum at the Holter Museum.

Mr. Tavary will need **a lot** of help setting up the displays on Tuesday, March 21st, beginning at 8am. There is a lot of art to put up. If you can help, please let us know asap.

High School Employment Opportunity:

Touchmark on Saddle Drive is looking for caring, outgoing people to join our Dining Services team as servers. No experience is needed but you must be at least 16 years old. If you are interested please call 449-4900 for more info.

Indoor Tennis Lessons

Six week sessions are starting April 10 and will go to May 15. Lessons are for students ages 4-7, 8-12, Middle School and High School. Middle School and High School students may join a team and play in tournaments. For more information go online at LCTA, or contact Tom Banks (ptbanks@juno.com) or call 406-439-6938

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PIP

Attention Parents: Many of you have not recorded your volunteer hours. Remember that you are required to perform 24 hours of service to the school (per family) and will be billed at the rate of \$20/hr for any hours not fulfilled. Notices will be sent to families next week regarding your PIP accounts.

Please do not rely on our memories as to what you have done so far.

We need you to come in as soon as possible to record your hours so you receive credit for them.

Upcoming PIP opportunities:

- Emails have been sent to those who volunteered to help with the Art Show on March 23rd. If anyone else can help, especially with set up on the 21st, please let us know asap.
- Teacher Appreciation Day Luncheon April 27
- Track meet May 5th
- May Crowning May 12th
- Help with the kitchen, contact Deirdre at 449-3201

Also, please call the office if you can help with any of these:

- Replace vent cover on roof
- Fix drawers on metal cabinet in gym
- Repair downspout to east of main school entrance
- Sand and varnish stair handrails (front stairs)
- Paint window frames in gym
- Paint outside building trim
- Install stair handrail(s) in back stair well
- Paint back stair well wall base
- Reinforce Crow's Nest with plywood
- Reposition door props on gym bathroom
- Repair/replace? window opener in Room 303
- Touch-up paint on kitchen cabinets
- Clean out areas with white rocks, front and back of school

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Big Sky Scholarships

In 2015, the legislature passed Montana's first law specifically designed to give parents access to funding to find the best school for their student. This program offers dollar-for-dollar tax credit on your Montana taxes for up to \$150 per person (\$300 per couple). You are still entitled to claim a charitable deduction for donations above \$150 (\$300 per couple). The entire amount of any donation is eligible for the federal charitable deduction. St. Andrew School is an affiliate of the Big Sky Scholarship foundations. Parents may request that donations to this organization be directed to the St. Andrew School Scholarship program. Please call Donna Smillie (406-449-3201) if you would like to know more about how you can make a \$150-\$300 donation to help students attend St. Andrew and receive 100% credit for it on your taxes.

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The School Store!

St. Andrew School is partnering with School Store (SchoolStore.com) to provide a great avenue for our families to shop online with over 300 major chains and help the school at the same time! This is how it works: St. Andrew School receives a percentage of the purchases our families and their friends make online with the companies on the School Store website.

It is that simple. But it gets even better!

We want our families to enjoy the benefits of their shopping too, so **St. Andrew School will apply 40% of a family's earned revenue from their purchases toward their tuition next year!**

Your child(ren) will be bringing home a large envelope today explaining how the program works and how your child(ren) can earn terrific prizes for themselves in the process. The prizes in the program are primarily geared to students in Kindergarten through 7th grade, however, families with students in any grade are encouraged to participate. If you have any questions please call Deirdre Teodosio at the school or email her at auction@standrewschool.org.

Since we are entering into a busy shopping season this is a perfect time to maximize your shopping dollars, benefit the school, and reduce your tuition payment for next year!

We hope you enjoy participating in this ongoing program.

Thank you for all you do for St. Andrew School!

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Did you know that when you shop at Amazon, you could also be raising money for our school? All you have to do is go to this link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/81-0506955> and sign in as you normally would. Amazon donates 0.5 % of the sale to St. Andrew School. It is that easy.

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