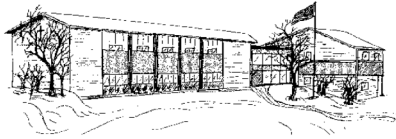


St. Andrew School Newsletter



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Expected School-wide Learning Results:

St. Andrew students are:

Virtuous Citizens Enthusiastic Catholics Resourceful Learners Open Witnesses

Looking Ahead:

Sep. 20, 2016

Sep. 21-23	Salt & Light retreat, grades 9-12
Sep. 22	6 th , 7 th , 8 th grades Field Trip, Spokane Bar Mine
Sep. 23	Early release 11:45, Teachers' meetings
Sep. 26	College Fair, Carroll gym, 1:30-3:00
Sep. 27-Oct. 3	Starbase, Ft. Harrison, Gr. 5 & 6
Sep. 29	7 th grade Field trip, Jubilee Garden, St. Mary Catholic Community
Oct. 3-8	Missoula Children's Theatre
Oct. 8	St. Andrew/MCT performance of Peter & Wendy, 11:00am
Oct. 17	Picture Day
Oct. 19	PSAT
Oct. 20-21	No School – Professional Days
Oct. 28	End of quarter
Oct. 31	Fall Fest
Nov. 2	Report Cards
Nov. 3	Adoption Day ceremony, Gr. 3, 4, 5

Ongoing Weekly Extracurricular Activities:

Monday	Homework Club 3:00-4:15	
Tuesday	Homework Club 3:00-4:15 Volleyball practice 3:15-4:30 Jr. High boys basketball practice 4:30-5:30	NO PRACTICE Sep. 20
Wednesday	Homework Club 3:00-4:15	
Thursday	Homework Club 3:00-4:15 Volleyball practice 3:15-4:30 Jr. High boys basketball practice 4:30-5:30	NO PRACTICE Sep. 22

See Sports schedule and other dates of interest in following pages

(Note: There will not be sports practices Oct. 3-7 since Missoula Children's Theatre will use the gym.)

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Teri Cole Memorial Fund

If you wish to donate to the Teri Cole Memorial Scholarship Fund, please let Denise Hampton, the bookkeeper, know. Teri's name will be inscribed on the memorial plaque located in the high school wing.

Parents, please make sure you use RenWeb to see your child's assignments and grades.

How to get onto RenWeb:

Go to www.renweb.com

On the right side is a Login button.

Choose Parent's Web on the pull down menu

The District Code is sa-mt

Your user name is your first initial and last name (unless you changed this at some point).

Your password is the one you used when you enrolled. If you are not sure what your password or user name is, you can request that it be emailed to you.

Also, if you change your phone # or address please let us know.

Attention Seniors: College Fair at Carroll College

Monday, September 26, 1:30-3:00

Carroll College Gym

Students must register first: www.MontanaColleges.com

(\$1,000 scholarship is going to be raffled off for those who register.)

NB: Only those who have registered ahead of time will be allowed into the fair and will be excused from classes at St. Andrew at that time.

STARBASE

September 29 – October 3

Grades 5 & 6

Fort Harrison

Welcome to DoD STARBASE

for an action packed week of learning, fun and excitement.

Students and teachers will arrive at Montana Air National Guard-Fort Harrison around 9am. Students will be given name tags and directed to their lockers to hang their coats and place their sack lunches.

What to expect: a unique "hands-on", minds-on" learning experience with excellent Starbase educators.

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PIP Points

Housing for MCT Director

Missoula Children's Theatre is coming to St. Andrew School the week of October 3-7. We need housing for one of the MCT directors from Sunday, October 2nd (arriving in the late afternoon) until Sunday, October 9th (leaving around noon). The requirements are 1 private sleeping room, and access to kitchen, phone land-line or sufficient cell phone coverage. The Ambrose family is hosting the other director, and since the directors share a vehicle, housing within 5 miles of the school is preferred. Please contact Annette Walstad, MCT Parent Coordinator, at 406-410-0480 for more information. **THIS COUNTS FOR PIP POINTS!!!**



Homework Club Monday – Thursday after school until 4:15 – Mr. Greaney

Sports

Volleyball 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th grade:

Sept 24th: Clancy Tournament – emails will be sent to families with tournament information.

Jr. High Boys Basketball:

Practice Tuesday & Thursday 4:30-5:30

Player Fee due Sept 27th

We are in need of....

Parents if any of you are interested in coaching Jr. High Girls' Basketball please email Sarah Birnel or call her sbirnel@standrewschool.org or 406-202-0954.

Starts December 8 and goes through February 21 Practices will be Tuesdays & Thursdays 4:30-5:30

Parents please think about whether you or someone you know can help.

We will not be able to have Jr. High Girls' Basketball without a coach!!!!

High School Back to School Trip Sal et Lux (Salt and Light)

Time to get reacquainted with old friends and get to know your new teachers! This year's Salt and Light will be a two night event held **September 21-23** at Legendary Lodge. We are planning games and campfires as well as opportunities for us to share our faith with Mass and community prayer. Cost for this trip is \$50 per student. Scholarships are available if this is a hardship; please speak with Mrs. Smillie.

More information on the details of this trip will be provided in the next newsletter



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40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Fall Campaign September 28-November 6

What is Forty Days for Life? All in the community are invited to join with hundreds of other cities around the world for 40 days of Prayer and Fasting for the end to abortion. Friends and families in the community commit to one hour (or more!) per week to stand and peacefully pray together during the 40-day vigil outside of Planned Parenthood.

What is our goal for Helena? The goal is to have people praying at Planned Parenthood 12 hours a day for 40 straight days. Let's rally together in our strong Helena community to stand up for those without a voice in our community-the unborn.

How do I sign up? It's easy! Sign up for a **time/day** on the **online calendar** by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/helena or contact Sarah Leslie by **phone or email** 461-4776 or s_heidlebaugh@standrewschool.org.

SAVE THE DATE: Kickoff Event: Tuesday, September 27, 6:00 p.m. at the Emmanuel Chapel (1000 N. Ewing St.)

*For more information check out the website www.40daysforlife.com/Helena.

ST. ANDREW SCHOOL ACADEMIC SCHEDULE 2016-17

First Quarter (August 24 – November 1)

September 21-23	SALT & LIGHT gr 9-12
September 23	Half day 11:45 release (Teacher's Meeting)
September 30	Mid-quarter letter to parents re: marginal grades
October 3 - 8	Missoula Children's Theatre: Peter and Wendy
October 17	School Picture Day – Staff at 7:45
Oct 19	PSAT grades 10 & 11
Oct 20, 21	Professional Days-NO SCHOOL
October 28	End of First Quarter

Second Quarter (November 2 – January 18)

October 31	Fall Festival (1:00-3:00 p.m) in classrooms
November 2	Report Cards
November 10	Half day 11:45 release (Teacher's Meeting)
November 22	K-1 Bowl of Thanksgiving
November 23 - 25	Thanksgiving break (no school)
November 30	St. Andrew Feast Day School Mass 10:00
December 1	Picture re-take day, 8:30-9:30
December 6	Half day 11:45 release (Teacher's Meeting)
December 12	Mid-quarter letter to parents re: marginal grades
December 16	Christmas Program K-5 (1:00 pm); 6-12 (7:00 p.m)
Dec. 19 – Jan. 1	Christmas Break
January 2	Classes Resume
January 12	Half day 11:45 release (Teacher's Meeting)
January 16-18	8 - 12 Semester Exams (Noon release grades 8-12)

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Parent Volunteers

Parents who will be working with students on a regular basis will need to take a VIRTUS class. This includes classroom aides, coaches, parking lots aides, etc.

You MUST pre-register for the class. There will be no registration on-site.

You MUST be on time for class; late comers will not be allowed in.

Those who attend MUST be present for the entire class.

There can be no exceptions.

Virtus Training

When: Saturday, October 1st - 9am to 1pm

Where: St. Andrew School, Mr. Petesch's Room (301)

Sign Up: Link <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus>

Choose First time registrant shown on the left side of screen

Sign up for the St Andrew School class offered

Additional opportunities to take the Virtus class:

Classes are scheduled as follows in Helena:

Tuesday, September 27, 6-9pm, St. Mary Catholic Community, 1700 Missoula Ave.

Tuesday, October 25, 6-9pm, St. Mary Catholic Community, 1700 Missoula Ave.

Tuesday, November 29, 6-9pm, St. Mary Catholic Community, 1700 Missoula Ave.

To register go to <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus> and choose the Safe Environment Training Schedule. Choose the Helena location and register for the class of your choice.

In addition please note the following: Anyone who is working with students on a regular basis is required to:

- 1) Read the new revised Diocese of Helena ***Policy Regarding Abuse of Minors, Sexual Misconduct and Sexual Harassment and Code of Pastoral Conduct*** (May 2015 document.)
- 2) sign the *Statement of Receipt and Agreement (for Lay Employees and Volunteers)* indicating that they have read and agree to abide by the policies.

An electronic copy of both the policy is available at www.diocesehelena.org. You may also borrow a copy from the school office. Please come to the office to sign the form.

Deadline for sign-off sheets to be received at St. Andrew by: October 1, 2016



**Don't forget to save
Box Tops for Education/Labels for Education**



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St. Andrew School Attendance Policy

PLEASE **REMEMBER** TO CALL THE SCHOOL IN THE MORNING IF YOUR CHILD IS UNABLE TO ATTEND THAT DAY

Parents, please be reminded that the attendance policy, as written in the school handbook, is the following:

2.2.10 Attendance is necessary for academic success at St. Andrew School. Absences should therefore be rare, reserved for occasions such as **illness, occasional prearranged family travel, medical treatment, or funerals**. Absences which are school related are of course, excused but should be prearranged. Such absences would include, but not be limited to, speech and spelling competitions and music festivals.

2.2.13 An unexcused absence is defined as missing classes for reasons other than one of the aforementioned or leaving the building without parental or teacher permission. **Make up work and credit for daily assignments will not be provided for unexcused absences**. If tests are administered during an unexcused absence, the student will receive no credit for the exam.

2.2.14 (ABSENCE POLICY) Any student accruing more than 20 absences during the year (10 per semester, counting both excuse and unexcused absences) will receive a grade of "F" for the year, and be required to repeat the year. For Eighth Grade and high school students, the absences will be counted per class, and an absence will be missing more than the first 20 minutes of class. Students coming in within 20 minutes of the beginning of class will be considered late or tardy; for the purposes of this policy, six (6) tardies will count as one absence.

It will be greatly appreciated if you would send a note in to the school when your child is absent for an **illness, occasional prearranged family travel, or funeral**. The note should explain the reason why the student is not in school. A note from a doctor or orthodontist is also acceptable. This makes it easier for the teacher to determine whether the student should receive credit for the classes' assignments or tests.

NEW THIS FALL

Trinity Books & Gifts has started a book club for adults and students. With your punch card you will be able to buy 5 books and get the 6th book FREE!

All you need to do is go to the store and sign up to receive your card and all the information.

Trinity Books & Gifts
1530 Cedar St Ste A
Helena MT 59601
406-449-4463

Hours are Tuesday - Friday 9:30 to 5:30pm and Saturdays 10-4pm Closed Sunday and Monday

The owners at Trinity Books & Gifts look forward to showing you all the new books they have in stock.
(Special orders, Bibles and Liturgical books are exempt.)

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The Missoula Children's Theatre is coming back to St. Andrew the week of October 3-8, 2016 to help our students perform PETER AND WENDY. Approximately 60 St. Andrew students can participate. Here are some details that might be helpful in deciding if your student should try out.



My child(ren) have permission to audition for **MCT's PETER AND WENDY**. I understand that if chosen for the play my student may need to attend rehearsal from 2:00 to 6:15 p.m., Monday through Thursday. They will also need to be available for the dress rehearsal and performances on Friday, October 7th and Saturday, October 8th. I understand that students will not be excused from rehearsals or performances for practices, appointments, etc., but must keep the week completely free for this residency.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Best Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Name and grade of each student: _____

- I can also help out by: Being a parent helper
 Making an additional donation of \$ _____
 Provide snacks for after school (please bring them to the office by Friday, Sep. 30)
 other _____
 Contact me about a Corporate Sponsorship

(Complete and return to the St. Andrew office by 9/28/16 with the \$20 participation fee for each child).

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