

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

It was a wonderful week here at St. Mary's School of Piscataway!

Thank you to all of you who attended our virtual zoom meeting. It was great to have a chance to give you updates about the hard work that we have been doing here at the school. This week brought a lot of positivity as we were able to settle into this new year. Our middle school scholars took their NWEA MAP tests and did an excellent job of approaching them with sincerity and focus. Our 1st through 5th grade scholars will be taking their tests next week so please make sure that they are well rested and prepared to do their best! Thank you all for your continued partnership, I look forward to the growth, accomplishments, and learning we will be doing as families, scholars, and staff in 2025!

2025 - 2026 ADW Financial Aid Application is Now Open! The deadline is Friday, February 21, 2025 Please be aware that this is a prerequisite to be considered for any additional financial aid provided throughout the year. We encourage you to complete this process promptly to ensure eligibility for all available assistance.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (NEW CLUBS COMING THIS FEBRUARY)

Mentor Club

Crochet Club

- STEAM Club
- Chess Club

Arts & Crafts Club

<u>SIGN UP FOR CLUBS HERE</u>



SAVE THE DATES...

- January 20th School Closed MLK Jr. Day
- January 21st NWEA MAP Testing grades 1–5 make sure scholars are well rested and ready to be focused
- January 23rd End of the 2nd Quarter
- January 24th early dismissal 12:00 noon
- January 26th Open House for prospective families
- January 26 31 Catholic Schools Week!
- January 29th Red Robin 6:00pm



SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

St. Mary's School follows PG County Public Schools decisions regarding inclement weather. This means that if P.G. County schools announces a school closing or delay, St. Mary's will do the same.

NOTIFICATIONS

We will also notify you of any delays or school closings through Class Dojo and/or text messaging . If you are not receiving text messages from us, please contact the Front Office at office@smsp.school or 301-292-2522.







Sunday, January 26th - Celebrating our Parish and Families

Mass 9:30 - 10:15 (Student Gift Bearers Distribution of Spiritual Bouquets to the Parishioners at the conclusion of 9:30 & 12:00 mass. Donut Social Following the 9:30 mass (Sponsored by SGA) School Open House for New Prospective Families 1:00pm - 3:00pm

> Monday, January 27 - Mismatch Day Celebrating Our Community

United in Faith and Community Poster Contest (entries due by January 31st) Bring in your family pictures for our Falcon Family Tree Candy Jar Guess .25 per guess

> Tuesday, January 28 - Wear your Red, White, & Blue Celebrating Our Community

Prayers for our nation School wide Flag Ceremony Bring a Canned Food Item for Saint Mary's Church Food Bank

> Wednesday, January 29 - Dress Like Your Future Profession Day Celebrating Our Vocation

Parents, Volunteers and Religious Life come to the school and talk about their vocation St. John Paul II Shrine Visit for students who serve in the religious life at St. Mary's **Red Robin Fundraiser for Catholic Schools Week /SMSP Falcon Families and Staff 6:00pm Red Robin Waldorf, MD**

> Thursday, January 30 - Pancakes and Pajamas Day Celebrating Our Students

Free Pancake Breakfast for Lunch All School Bingo

> Friday, January 31 - Dress Like Your Favorite Superhero Day Celebrating Our Teachers

Students write thank you notes to their parents to take home for Saturday's Family Day in Faith Candy Jar Guess Game Winner Announced!



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	Madeline H.	January 14th	*	Alexander H. Amaris K. Isabella L.	January 26th January 28th January 29th	
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SAINT MARY'S SCHOOL OF PISCAAWAY

VOLUNTEER HOURS

f you are still in need for some volunteer hours before the end of the year please see a list of opportunities below:

LUNCH ROOM DUTY - Assist with the students while they are having lunch.

PLAYGROUND DUTY - Assist staff members while they supervise students during free time. (this is usually an outdoor post

EASTER EGG HUNT VOLUNTEERS - You will assist with the planning and implementing our Annual Easter Egg Hunt

FISH FRY - You will assist with the distribution of our Annual Fish Fry

Sign up Genius will be sent out by the end of the week

UPCOMING CALENADAR DATES

Monday, January 20	Martin Luther King Day ~ School Closed	
Thursday, January 23	End of Second Quarter	
Friday, January 24	All School Mass Early Dismissal 12:00 Noon	
Sunday, January 26-Saturday, February 1	Catholic School Week	
Sunday, January 26	Open House for Perspective New Parents 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	
Monday, January 27	Catholic School Dress Down Week! \$5.00	
Wednesday, January 29	Career Day!	
Friday, January 31	Report Cards Distributed All School Mass	
Thursday, February 6	100th Day of School	
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Friday, February 7	All School Mass Honor Roll Assembly 11:00AM Early Dismissal 12:00 Noon	