



ST. AGNES
SCHOOL

Wednesday e-Folder

September 26, 2018

Saint Vincent de Paul

Tomorrow marks the feast day for St. Vincent de Paul, the patron saint of charities and volunteers, we offer the following prayer so that we may open our eyes to the needs of others:

Dear Lord, open my eyes that I may see the deepest needs of men, women and children. Move my hands that they may feed the hungry; touch my heart that it may bring warmth to the despairing; teach me the generosity that welcomes strangers; let me share my possessions with people in need; give me the care that strengthens the sick; help me share in the quest to set prisoners free; in sharing our anxieties and our love, our poverty and our prosperity; we immerse ourselves in your grace.

Quote of the Week

“To serve those who are poor is to go to God, and you should see God in them.”

St. Vincent de Paul



5th Grade Scientists at Work

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Things You Need to KNOW:

No School—Friday, September 28

Please note that school will be closed on Friday, September 28 as our faculty and staff will be engaged in Christian service as we harvest crops for First Fruit Farms in Freeland, Maryland.

Picture Orders

Picture Orders, both money and envelope, are due into the office by tomorrow, Thursday, September 27.

Student Ambassador Club

Student Ambassador applications are due tomorrow, Thursday, September 27, for students in grades 4-8.

Media Masters: Grades 6-8

Media Masters club will begin on Monday, October 1. Those who wish to participate are to turn in the registration form by tomorrow, September 27. Any Questions? Please contact Katie Wilder or Tim Bands.

School Board Committee Work Volunteers Needed

We have an amazing group of professionals who serve as the governing body of the St. Agnes School Board. And as the bi-laws specify, the Board may also include parents as part of the body of committee membership. To this point, volunteers are needed for the following committees: Finance, Membership, Development, Facilities & Catholic Identity. If you are interested in serving on any of the aforementioned committees, please contact Rob Costante. On a side note, please know that any hours that are given as a member on a School Board committee are able to be applied to one's volunteer hours requirement.

Catholic High School Fair: Grades 6-8

Just a reminder that St. Agnes families are invited to attend the regional high school fair event that is scheduled for October 8 at 6:00pm at Our Lady of Victory School. Please know that we will not assign homework on this night so as to encourage participation.

Emergency Preparedness—Parent Reunification Drill

As a reminder, our annual *Shelter-in-Place, Evacuation and Parent Reunification Drill* is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10. On this day, our students and staff will rehearse the procedures of a critical incident that might occur at our school and thus require that we evacuate to our safe staging site on the campus of Mount de Sales Academy. Please note that **ALL FAMILIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO PICK UP THEIR CHILD AT MOUNT DE SALES ON OCTOBER 10**. For your reference, each family will receive a *SwiftK12* alert notification around 2:45pm on this day. Please also note that there will be **NO AFTERCARE PROVIDED ON OCTOBER 10**.

Women's Bible Study—Walking With Purpose

The St. Agnes and St. William of York Parishes are starting a Women's Bible Study on Wednesday mornings at St. William of York Church. Click [HERE](#) for an informational flyer.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

The mid-point of the first trimester is coming soon. As a means in which to support the partnership we share together, we have arranged our fall parent-teacher conferences for Friday, October 12 from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Please click [HERE](#) to sign-up for a conference appointment. If the available time does not work with your schedule, please contact the teacher directly.

Please note that the Interim Report Cards for grades 2-8 are sent home on Thursday, October 11.

Things You Are Asked to DO:

Coffee and Conversations

As a reminder, our *Coffee & Conversation* events will begin this coming Monday. These informal gatherings are offered to our school families as an occasion in which to meet in a casual setting as you provide us your perspective on the start of our school year. And as well, these meetings will also allow us to respond to any questions you might have regarding the past month. Please click [HERE](#) to register on the **Events** page of our website for any of the following parent gatherings. Please know that our registration allows us to prepare for the event with light refreshments.

October 1: Pre-K 3 to 1st Grade

October 8: 2nd Grade to 5th Grade

October 15: 6th Grade to 8th Grade

HSA Leadership

HSA has three leadership positions, Assistant Financial Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator and Volunteer Co-Coordinator. Please contact Sherita Thomas at 410-504-9080 or mrsheritathomas@gmail.com for more information.

Race for Education

To date, we have received \$8,540 in donations to support our school! We have an ambitious goal of \$30,000 and in order to be successful, we ask everyone participate in this event. In order for it to be a success, we need each and every family to participate. Please know that proceeds from this major fundraiser will directly benefit our school and will provide funds for classroom and technology enhancements and other upgrades. All donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Thank you to those families who have turned in their Race for Education envelopes. If you have not yet returned your letter or addressed envelopes, you may still do so. In addition, you can send emails to your friends & family asking them to support your student and directing them to our race website [HERE](#). We are able to accept credit card donations on our website which includes a listing of donors to date. The donation deadline is Monday, October 15. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Race for Education co-chairs—Allison Joyce: mallison99@aol.com and Jen Doyle: jdoyle923@gmail.com

Chaperone Drivers Needed

We are in need of parents and other adults to serve as driver chaperones for these monthly direct service events. Please click [HERE](#) to register for one of the scheduled service events that we offer to our 5-8 grade classes.

Please know that all chaperones must be Virtus trained/cleared. And to be a driver for any of these events and you are NEW to Virtus, you will have to select the 3.2 Package with the Motor Vehicle Registration (MVR tab) when you select your training. If you have previously registered with Virtus, please contact Clemmy Smith and she will be able to assist you with the screening that is required to drive the students.

Please click [HERE](#) to access the training information that is available on our school website.

Family Income Survey

As a reminder, all families are asked to submit the Family Income Survey. Please click [HERE](#) for a copy of the letter that was sent home and [HERE](#) for a copy of the form that is due on Monday, October 1.

Mark Your Calendar

September 28:	NO SCHOOL—Faculty Service Day
October 1:	Coffee & Conversation: PreK 3—First Grade
October 1:	A.C.R.E. Test—8th Grade
October 8-9:	IOWA Interim Assessments—Grades 2 to 8
October 4:	Fifth Grade Service Experience at C.E.A.
October 5:	8th Grade Retreat at St. Agnes
October 5:	Student Council Induction Ceremony
October 12:	Parent Teacher Conference Day—NO SCHOOL
October 10:	Evacuation and Parent Reunification Drill at MDSA
October 13:	Coffee & Conversation: Second—Fifth Grades
October 15:	Coffee & Conversation: Sixth—Eighth Grades

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