Principal’s Post

January 20, 2023

Good afternoon St. Margaret School families,

Our students are excited for the Daddy Daughter Sweetheart Dance this evening! Thank you to Mrs. Ward, her committee and our HSA volunteers who have planned this wonderful event!

**Parents Save the date! Professional Speaker Series with Dr. Shreya Hessler** - Thursday evenings February 23, March 30 and April 27. Dr. Hessler is the founder and director of The MINDset Center. She has been in private practice for over fifteen years. She specializes in the identification and treatment of anxiety disorders, attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder, depression, and behavioral disorders. Dr. Hessler is trained in cognitive-behavioral and applied behavioral therapy for the treatment of children, adolescents, and adults. She frequently presents locally and around the country on topics regarding anxiety and behavior management.

**Confirmation Meeting for SMS 8th grade students** - Deacon Danny Cajigas will hold a Confirmation parent meeting for SMS 8th graders on Wednesday, February 1st from 1:15pm-2:15pm in the Mission.

**Catholic Schools Week!** Our CSW Outreach collection will be **pajamas** for the Casey Cares Foundation (see attached flyer) and **cereal boxes** (any size or kind) for our parish food pantry. May God bless you for your continued generosity!

**Dining options for Catholic Schools Week:** Earlier this week we sent out flyers for our upcoming dining events. We wanted to provide you with more details:

**Mucho Gusto:** DINE-IN on Monday, January 30th from 4:00-9:00pm - Bring your flyer that was sent home this week (or print the one attached in this email) to earn 10% back for our school. Please note:

- Reservations are not accepted
- Take-out orders will not count towards the school donation

Please see attached flyer.

**Tutto Fresco:** TAKE-OUT on Wednesday, February 1st from 4:00-9:00pm - Use this link: [https://www.tuttofrescos.com/](https://www.tuttofrescos.com/) to order your family meal. Orders are open now through January 28. Use code SMS2023 in the promo code box when you order to help earn money for our school.
Please note:

• You must use the code SMS2023 for us to get “credit” towards the school donation
• Orders must be received by 9pm on 1/28 to guarantee pickup
• The process to order is outlined in the flyer that was sent home this week (and is attached below)

Please see attached flyer.

Last call for Rock and Bowl! We have rented Forest Hill Lanes from 1:00-3:00 and 3:30-5:30 for Friday, February 3! There is a flyer attached with important details. Please remember that you will need each student's first and last name, their homeroom teacher and shoe size to register for the event. There are plenty of slots available for the 3:30 time slot. The 1:00 time slot is limited, but does have some space available.

1:00 pm: https://cswbowling1pm.eventbrite.com
3:30 pm: https://cswbowling330pm.eventbrite.com

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kellie Elmerraji at kelmerraji@gmail.com. Please see attached flyer.

Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic Schools Family Night -
Join Catholic school families from around the Archdiocese for a night of fun at the Baltimore Blast game on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at the SECU Arena (Towson University). Please see attached flyer.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

From the Health Suite- As cold and flu season are upon us please follow our health suite policies to ensure the health and safety of our students. All illness related absences need to be documented by emailing the homeroom teacher as well as the office secretary and the nurse on each campus. Any student absent for 3 days or more requires a doctor's note to return to school. Our nurses will be in communication with families with illness related absences. Thank you for your support.
Elementary School:
Mrs. Currey (scurrey@smsch.org ) and Mrs. Piechocki (kpiechocki@smsch.org)
Middle School:
Mrs. Schafer (pschafer@smsch.org ) and Mrs. Zankowitz (lzankowitz@smsch.org)

Hot Lunch Hot Lunch online system: https://stmargaret.h1.hotlunchonline.net Order deadlines are one week prior to the hot lunch scheduled. In other words, orders can be placed 7 days prior to any scheduled lunch. If you have any questions or difficulty setting up your account or ordering process, please feel free to contact stmargarethotlunch@gmail.com

AOB Tuition Assistance - The Archdiocese of Baltimore is now accepting applications for Tuition Assistance Grants for the 23/24 academic year. FACTS, an independent third party, helps the Archdiocese objectively assess what a family is able to contribute to its student(s) educational expenses. Awards do not need to be repaid, but an application is required each academic year. There
is no automatic renewal process. Completed applications must be received no later than February 28th in order to be considered for a tuition grant. Please use the link for St. Margaret School’s page https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3QDJ0 and apply early for maximum consideration.