

# ST. MARY ELEMENTARY WEEKLY UPDATE

DATE Feb. 6, 2019



St. Mary Catholic Schools  
Grades P3-5

St. Gabriel Elementary  
St. Margaret Mary Elementary  
St. Mary Elementary

## IMPORTANT DATES



SMCS EMAIL NEWSLETTER



SMCS CALENDAR PAGE

### February:

<b>Wed 6</b>	Best Friends Mentor Program
<b>Fri 7</b>	Conferences 3:30-6:30pm
<b>Fri 8</b>	8:10 Liturgy (5) Stuffy and movie day
<b>Fri 15</b>	8:10 Liturgy (4)
<b>Mon 11</b>	POPS meeting 6:30pm
<b>Tue 12</b>	100 <sup>th</sup> day of school
<b>Wed 13</b>	Best Friends Mentor Program
<b>Mon 18</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> grade snowshoeing field trip
<b>Wed 20</b>	Pre 3/ 4K Festival field trip POPS coffee hour
<b>Thu 21</b>	No School (professional development for staff)
<b>Fri 22-25</b>	No School – Winter Break

### SMCS News:

The SMCS news is emailed to you and can be found online at:  
<http://smcatholicschools.org/newsletters/>

### School Prayer Families

We believe in the power of prayer! Because we know that prayer can impact lives and families, each week we choose different families to pray for. This week we are praying for the Blaney, Siegel, and Spencer families.

### Milk Moola Discontinued

Kwik Trip is discontinuing their Milk Moola fundraising program on 3/31/19. We will be sending our last shipment just prior to this date. Please bring any Milk Moola caps or bag tops to school by 3/25 so we have time to prepare the shipment. Thank you to all those that have collected these over the years!

### The Winter Escape

Our Winter Escape event was truly fantastic and we are excited to share that we had 172 people in attendance. An increase from last year where the attendance was 97. A huge thank you to all those that came out to attend our event, we couldn't have done without you. We had great parish and school representation. We are also so grateful to our Winter Escape committee who put in countless hours of work before, during and after the event to make it the memorable experience that it was. As this is St. Mary School's 150<sup>th</sup> year we also celebrated the legacy families (3 or more generations) that have been a part of our elementary school (see picture below). Look for a save the date to come out as plans for next year's event come together.

**SMCS Early Registration** deadline has been extended to Thursday, February 7. [Register](#) now to take advantage of the following:

- Reduced registration fees!
- \$50 per student (\$150 family maximum) through February 7
- \$100 per student (\$300 family maximum) after February 7
- Transition grade discounts for students entering kindergarten, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and 9<sup>th</sup> grade will end after February 7
- NEW for 2019-20! Incoming freshmen can take advantage of the Affordable High School Tuition grant of \$1500!
- Middle school and high school students can take advantage of the Miller family grants!

### Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) application period opens Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>:

SMCS participates in the WPCP which allows qualified students in grades K-12 to attend our schools tuition-free. The application period is February 1-April 22. Students who currently receive vouchers must apply during this period in order to receive their voucher next year. [Click here](#)





<https://apps4.dpi.wi.gov/ChoiceParent/> to access and complete the application. Review the [WPCP Q&A](#) for more information on the program or contact Shelley Wautlet at [swautlet@smcatholicschools.org](mailto:swautlet@smcatholicschools.org)

**The 2019 Fine Arts Fruit Sale:**

It is happening now! [Click here for a digital fruit form.](#) All forms are due to an SMCS school office by Friday, February 8. Order pick up is scheduled for March 1 at 3:00 p.m. in the SMC garage near the football field. Order forms are available in all SMCS school offices. Elementary and middle school students will also be sent home with a copy of the order form. Contact [hkraus@smcatholicschools.org](mailto:hkraus@smcatholicschools.org) for questions.

**Classroom Highlights:**

Students really enjoyed The DAN show, juggler extraordinaire. We learned a lot about science while having fun.



**St. Mary Legacy Families present at Winter Escape 2019. Thank you for your support.**



February 2019

Dear Parent or Guardian,

As a parent or guardian, you are the most significant person in your child's life. We know that you care about your child and we do too. On Tuesday 2/12/19 and Monday 2/18/19, Reach Counseling of Menasha will present a protective behaviors program in your child's K-5 classroom. The presentation will include information on child sexual abuse. Children will learn to say "No" to confusing or uncomfortable touches, learn rules for keeping their bodies safe, and learn that they are never at fault in cases of abuse. Children will also be encouraged to identify adults who they can trust when they need help or protection.

Parents are invited and encouraged to share in their child's experience, either through attending the program, or discussing the topic at home. You are invited and encouraged to share in your child's experience, either through attending the program or discussing this topic at home

Please see the schedule below for your child's class. If you have any questions or concerns about this program, please feel free to contact me at the email below.

Sincerely,

Nada Newcomb  
SMCS Elementary Counselor  
[nnewcomb@smcatholicschools.org](mailto:nnewcomb@smcatholicschools.org)

### **Schedule for Reach Presentations**

Tuesday 2/12/19

*(2/18 lessons will be presented by Mrs. Newcomb)*

12:25 Grade 1

1:35 Grade 2

2:15 Kindergarten

Monday 2/18/19

8:00 Mrs. Griffith

8:30 Mrs. Rolloff

9:55 Grade 5

10:40 Grade 3

2:15 Grade 4



# **POPS MEETING AGENDA**

**Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 6:30p**

## ***Opening Prayer***

### **1. Events & Other Items to Discuss**

- a. Sweets with Santa Wrap-Up
- b. Tom's Fundraiser Wrap-Up
- c. Christmas Scrip Option for Teacher Wrap-Up
- d. Catholic Schools Week Wrap-Up
- e. Chipotle Fundraiser Wrap-Up
- f. Catholic Spelling Bee
- g. Roller Skating Night (3/20 3:30p – 5:30p)
- h. Book Fair (3/11 – 3/15)
- i. March Teacher Treat
- j. Box Tops for Education Contest (Shipment by 3/1)
- k. Milk Moola Discontinued
- l. Mother/Son Glow Dance (5/18)
- m. Other?

### **2. Report from Treasurer**

**NEXT MEETING DATE: 3/11 @ 1:30p**



# February Winter Break

## SCRIP Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
10	11 Place orders as usual	12	13	14 Regular Scrip pick up	15	16
17	18 Place orders as usual	19	20	21 <i>No School</i> Summer delivery SMCHS open until 3:30	22 <i>No School</i> Summer delivery SMCHS open 8-noon	23
24	25 <i>No School</i> Online SCRIP and orders w/ check pmt dropped off at SMCHS by 9:00 a.m.	26	27	28 Regular Scrip pick up	March 1	2
3	4 Place orders as usual	5	6	7 Regular SCRIP pick up	8	9

### Week of February 18

There is no school Thursday or Friday, but we will process Scrip and deliver to your summer delivery location. This may mean your order is held at SMC high school or that you have pre-selected a parish to have your Scrip delivered to.

### Week of February 25

There is no school Monday, February 25, but the SMCHS Office is open. Please place online PrestoPay orders as usual. Paper orders and online orders paid by check must be turned in to SMCHS by 9:00 a.m. Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, rather than your school office.

### Looking Ahead...

Week of March 25 – No Scrip, Spring Break  
 Week of April 22 – No Scrip, Easter Break  
 Week of May 27 – No Scrip, Memorial Day

