



# Hawk Herald



St. Mary Magdalen School to Home Communication

2021 ~ 2022

*Academically Excellent and Passionately Catholic*

† “Preach the Gospels, when necessary use words”. † (St. Francis of Assisi)

November 30, 2021



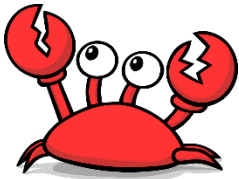
**Trimester 1** ends on Friday, December 3, 2021. Parent access to student grades will be shut down until December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Report Cards** will be issued on December 10, 2021. Please review them, sign them and return them in the manila envelope provided on December 13, 2021.

## DISMISSAL CONCERN

It was brought to our attention that parents are leaving children in their cars, unattended, with the cars running. This is a major safety concern for your child as well as everyone in the pick-up area. **PLEASE, turn off your cars when you are not in the car. Children should not be left unattended.** Thank you for your cooperation with this concern.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB CAKE SALE ~Orders due December 3<sup>rd</sup>



The St. Mary Magdalen Knights of Columbus are once again having their Christmas Crab Cake & Candy sale to raise money for local charities. Attached, is the order form in both Excel and Word - both are the same, so please use the one you're most comfortable with. (The Excel will calculate the total for you if you're unfamiliar with these.) The form is also being sent home on Wednesday in the Communication Envelope. **Pick up with be Thursday, December 9th from 4-6pm outside the school cafeteria.**

You will see a slight increase in prices this year. However, please keep in mind that we are still able to offer prices below retail if you went into the store directly.

**New to this process is the ability to pay on-line.** Just follow the link on the order forms or go to: [www.smmknights.org/fundraisers](http://www.smmknights.org/fundraisers) If you pay online, please email Steve Byrne your order and just make a note that you paid on line.

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact Steve Byrne. As always, the Knights thank you for your continued support with these very important fundraisers.

Wishing everyone a Happy Holiday Season! Steve Byrne [sbyrne23@msn.com](mailto:sbyrne23@msn.com)

## TUITION ASSISTANCE for 2022-2023

The Application for **Tuition Assistance** is now open for the **2022-2023** school year. See the attached letter about details. The application process closes **March 15, 2022.**

## GIVING TREE

Our December Stewardship will be happening on December 10<sup>th</sup>. We adopt several families from our sister parishes to provide the support to make their Christmas a special and memorable one thanks to the kindness and generosity of our families.

The sign-up genius for each family will be made available this week for each of our classes to sign-up for the needed items. All items are to be sent into school by December 10<sup>th</sup>, along with the necessary wrapping paper to wrap the gift. The students of SMM will wrap those gifts during school hours for these families. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



## YARD DUTY

**URGENT**

As the holidays and cold weather approach, our need for parent volunteers in the school yard increases. If you have not done so already, please consider signing up for yard duty to fulfill your obligation of two times for one child in Grades K-8 or four times for two or more children in Grades K-8.

Please use the following link to add your name to the Sign-Up Genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0845aba92aa13-yard1>

Thank you for your help in keeping the student safe in the school yard.

## PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY

Picture retake day is Wednesday, December 8. If your child was absent on Picture Day in October, they will need to get their picture taken on December 8. You may order a picture package by going to: [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com), with the Picture Day ID code **EVTXKQSR8**. You may also request a picture order form from the office.

If you ordered a picture package for your child(ren), it will be sent home on Wednesday. If you are not satisfied with the pictures and would like them retaken, your child **must** give the original package to the photographer on December 8 in order to have a retake picture.

No pictures will be retaken without returning the original package.

If you have any questions, please call Sharon Higgins in the school office.

## 2021 SANTA'S SECRET SHOP

We will again be having our Santa's Secret Shop on December 10<sup>th</sup> during school hours.

Volunteers are needed to help with wrapping, shopping and all the fun.

Gifts range in cost from \$2 to \$12.

The shopping envelope and list will be sent home ahead of the day.

Volunteers please contact: Leslie McCarthy [lesliemccarthy214@gmail.com](mailto:lesliemccarthy214@gmail.com)

Carolyn Longo [crsayL@gmail.com](mailto:crsayL@gmail.com)



**ALL volunteers and helpers MUST wear a MASK when in the building. Thank You!**

## Poinsettia Sale



- The Home and School Association will be conducting its annual Poinsettia Sale the **weekend of December 11<sup>th</sup> after the Masses in the Narthex.**
- Volunteers are needed for after the masses...please contact Bridget Kelly if you can help with this H&S activity.

[Bridgetk116@gmail.com](mailto:Bridgetk116@gmail.com)

## CHRISTMAS CONCERTS (In CHURCH)

- December 14<sup>th</sup> ~ Grades 1 to 8 6:30PM All are expected to attend. Students are to be in their classrooms by 6:00PM dressed in their Christmas finest. (NO HOMEWORK that evening)
- December 17<sup>th</sup> ~ Kindergarten at 2PM Older students will watch via Livestream into the classroom; no early dismissals.
- December 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Pre K 3 & 4 ~ 11:00am Older students will watch via Livestream into the classroom; no early dismissals.

**We are requesting that everyone wear a MASK when in attendance.**



## **Correction in the Memo from Dr. McLaughlin**

### **Paragraph 4**

Given the continued presence of the virus and the high-level of transmissibility rates associated with its Delta variant, we remain steadfast in our commitment to ensuring the health and safety of our students, faculty, administrators, and staff. **As counties that have a high or substantial level of community transmission as reported by the CDC, we will continue to enforce the masks requirement and the social distancing in our schools.** Should the level of COVID-19 in a particular county drop to the moderate or low levels, following a two-week period of sustained moderate or low levels, masks would become optional, but recommended for those individuals who are unvaccinated.