

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School

Passionately Catholic & Academically Excellent

HAWK HERALD



MARCH 15, 2024

Dear St. Mary Magdalen Families,

Happy (almost) Spring! Wishing you all good things as the days get brighter, warmer, and longer! Congratulations to our 7th grade students who were confirmed yesterday during a beautiful celebration. May the Holy Spirit guide and protect them always.

Thank you for taking the time to read through the Hawk Herald and the attachments. As always, I am grateful for your participation in the life of our school and parish. Have a wonderful weekend!

Fondly,

Mrs. Amy Bauer

Principal

SMM Track and Cross Country

The Saint Mary Magdalen CYO Track & Cross-Country teams are looking to continue the growth and success of our program.

For the Spring '24 Track season, we are looking for someone to join the existing coaching staff, in addition for someone to help build a Pee Wee Track program that we could offer to grades K to 3. For the Fall '24 Cross Country season, we are looking for someone to join the existing coaching staff.

If interested in coaching Track or Cross Country or starting up a Pee Wee Track program – please reach to Julie Stonelake (610) 937-1945, Laraina Lake (610) 806-7715, or Kelly Jones (267) 968-4272. Thank you!

Science Fair



All SMM middle school students participated in our school science fair during Catholic Schools Week. Eight students who placed in our school fair participated in the Delaware County Science Fair last Friday. The fair consisted of 21 schools and 154 students, separated into divisions based on their grades and scientific categories. Five of our students were given awards for their projects. In the area of Chemistry, Gabriella Votta was awarded first place and “Best in Category”, Aaron Ortego received second place, and Colin Stonelake received Honorable Mention. In the area of Consumer Science, Keira Stonelake received Honorable Mention. In the area of Physics, Cameron Sacunas received first place and “Best in Category”. We are very proud of the accomplishments of our students and thank them for representing SMM so well. Thank you, too, to Mrs. Clark who facilitated the SMM Science Fair (and filled in for Colin and Keira while they were at Confirmation). Best of luck to Cameron and Gabriella luck in Delaware Valley Science Fair in April!

Hot Lunch & Pizza

April Hot Lunch and pizza orders for April, May, and June are now open on the online ordering system. The deadline for ordering is FRIDAY, MARCH 22 at 12 noon!

Attendance

I have included attendance information in the Hawk Herald over the past month. PLEASE be sure to call your child out when s/he is not going to be in school. If it is an absence that will extend over multiple days, you can leave one message with all of the dates. Please be sure to email your child's teacher(s) if s/he is going to be out for an extended period to be aware of classwork, homework, and assessments that will be missed. Thank you.

Rock Your Socks

Our stewardship project for March is **Rock Your Socks**, which will take place on 3/21. This is a nation-wide event to raise awareness about Down Syndrome. This date was selected to signify the uniqueness of the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome that causes Down Syndrome.

On March 21st, students will be invited to donate \$1 to wear their crazy, mismatched socks to school (see attached flyer).

All money collected will go to The Rising Together Alliance, whose mission is to provide children with special needs the opportunity for an inclusive Catholic education in their local parochial schools.

Special Announcements

- Spring uniforms begin on Wednesday, 4/3. Please be sure to check your uniform supply and sizes. The Spirit Store will be open on Monday, 3/18 from 2:00 – 3:30 pm.
- The Knights of Columbus is holding their annual crab cake/candy sale (see attached flyer). They are also hosting an Easter Egg hunt after the 9:30 mass on Sunday, 3/24 for students up to 5th grade. Older students are encouraged to attend to help the little ones.
- Information for re-enrollment was sent at the end of February via email and the communication folder. Please be sure to log into FACTS and complete the re-enrollment process for your children by March 18th. Instructions to register and pay the associated fee for CARES will be sent to families who indicated interest via their re-enrollment packet at a later date.
- We are in desperate need of yard duty volunteers. Please [sign up](#) to fulfill your commitment or maybe pick up a few extra shifts. Thank you!
- **HERSHEY PARK HAPPY!** One of the attachments is a Hershey Park order form. HP and the archdiocese have partnered to offer discounted tickets. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please print this form and complete it. **Send it into school with a check made payable to St. Mary Magdalen School in an envelope.** We will put a school order together to send directly to Hershey Park. All orders must be submitted by **April 30th**. This is a firm deadline. We have to get our SMM order to Hershey Park so that all tickets can be distributed before the end of school.

Important Dates

- Thursday, 3/21 – Rock Your Socks Day
- Friday, 3/22 – Stations of the Cross for Grades 5-8
- Friday, 3/22 – Last day to order April Hot Lunch or pizza for April, May & June
- Wednesday, 3/27 – Prayer service at 11:15 and noon dismissal
- Thursday, 3/28 – Tuesday, 4/2 – Easter Break
- Wednesday, 4/3 – Classes resume

Attachments

- 1) March Calendar
- 2) SMM Kiwi Yogurt Fundraiser
- 3) Rock Your Socks – 3/21
- 4) Mother-Son Blue Rocks game
- 5) Hershey Park Tickets
- 6) 3/17 Bulletin
- 7) DCIU Trades Fair & Early Literacy Training
- 8) KofC Crab Cake & Candy Sale
- 9) Gala Auction is Open!

This week, during our morning prayers, we have been praying for many special intentions, especially those within the SMM community.

Please join us in lifting our friends up in prayer.

May they have the strength to soar on wings like eagles!

