



Important Dates

November

- 1 All Saints' Day
Winter Uniforms
- 2 End of 1st Quarter
- 3 Noon Dismissal
- 4 Butter Braid Fund-raiser ends
Art to Remember Due
- 5 Turkey Trot
5K/10 Run/Walk
- 6 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 7 School Board
- 8 School Closed
Election Day
- 9 Report Cards Go Home
- 11 Veterans' Day
- 14 Parent Conferences
2:30-5:00 PM
- 15 HSA @ 6:30 PM
- 16 Picture Retakes
- 19 Mother/Son Dance
- 23-25 Thanksgiving Break
- 30 HSPT – Gr. 8
Pizza Hotline
Spirit Night

Report Card Guidelines and Conferences

Report cards will go home on November 9. Parents should review the report card and, if a conference is needed, email either the homeroom teacher or the subject teacher. Conferences will be held on Monday, November 14 from 2:30-5:00 PM. Conferences should have a 10 minute limit. If more time is necessary, please make an appointment for another day. Students may accompany parents but must stay with them at all times. Children may not wander around inside or outside the building.

Please refer to Page 18 of your Parent/Student Handbook for an explanation regarding the grading symbols and the requirements for honor roll and principal's list.



Tuition Assistance

The applications for the 2016-2017 Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance are currently being accepted on TADS. The deadline for applications to be submitted is Friday, December 2.

Here are the steps to apply:

- ✓ Log onto secure.tads.com
- ✓ Log into your account using the email and password already provided when you registered your child(ren)
- ✓ Click on the financial aid tab

If you need additional assistance, call the Parent Help Line at 1-800-477-8237. You must apply on TADS to be eligible for any additional assistance available through the school.

Moreau Scholarship Program for students planning to attend Bishop McNamara High School. Contact the school office to request a packet.

Knights of Columbus for high school tuition assistance. Application forms are available at <http://www.kofc-md.org>.

From the Health Room

If your child has a fever of 99.5 or higher, you will need to pick them up. They must remain fever free for 24 hours before they can return.

If your child vomits at school, they must be picked up and remain home for 24 hours.

All medications kept at school must be accompanied by the Medical Authorization form signed by your doctor. All medications must be in their original, unopened container with current expiration date.

Physicals that expire during the sports season must be renewed and a new copy submitted to the clinic. Your child will not be allowed to participate until the new physical is received by the school.



Community Outreach

During the month of November, be collecting non-perishable food items for local food pantries. Collection boxes will be in each homeroom and the homerooms will be decorating the boxes for a contest. Items needed are canned goods, boxed rice and pasta, cereal and any other non-perishable food. Monetary donations should be given to the homeroom teacher. The last day to donate items will be Wednesday, November 16.

We will be collecting new toys in December that will be donated to the Children's Aid. More information will be sent home at a later date.



PPP Contact Information

If you have any questions regarding your parent participation points, you may contact Camilla Simms at 301-743-2291 or anspppcoordinator@gmail.com. She will respond to your questions as quickly as possible.

Picture Retakes



Pictures retakes will be held on Wednesday, November 16. If you are dissatisfied with your photos, please return them along with a note stating the reason for the retake. If your child was absent on the original picture day and you cannot find your order form, please contact the office to obtain a new form.



Fatima Statue

The Our Lady of Fatima statue is available to visit your home for a week to bring blessings to your family. Please send a note to the office indicating which week you would like to have the statue visit your home.



HSPT

The high school placement will be administered on Wednesday, November 30 for those 8th grade students who plan to attend Catholic high school.



High School Open Houses

The following Catholic high schools will be offering open houses to allow you and your prospective high school student a chance to visit their campus.

DeMatha

Sunday, November 6 - 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Elizabeth Seton

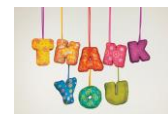
Sunday, November 6 – 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Bishop McNamara

Sunday, November 13 – 12:30 - 4:00 PM

St. Mary's Ryken

Sunday, November 20 - 12:00–3:00 PM



Thank You

- To Trina Colbert, Deanna Warnock, Raisa Burgos all the parents who made our Fall Festival a success.
- To all the room parents for coordinating the Halloween parties and dance.
- To all the volunteers who will be coaching or volunteering with our basketball teams, cheerleading squad, Archery team, STEM Club, STEAM Club, Art Club, and Theater Club.
- To everyone who purchased shoelaces in support of vocations. We were able to raise \$385.

Citizen Notification System

The Charles County Citizen Notification System (CNS) is a free service that allows you to receive emergency, weather and community notifications via phone calls, text messages, email and more. This is the system that Charles County Public Schools uses regarding openings and closings during inclement weather. You can register online through the www.ccboe.com website using the icon located at the bottom of the homepage or you can register using www.CharlesCountyMD.gov/CNS.

Thanksgiving Prayer

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks. Thank you for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal, our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the love we have for one another, our family and friends. Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessings throughout the coming year.