

IMPORTANT DATES

May

- 3 Soccer @ 4 PM
- 4 Noon Dismissal
- 5-6 Special Persons' Days
- 8 Mother's Day
- 10 Living Stations @ 9 AM
- Soccer @ 4 PM
- Last Day to Earn Volunteer Hours
- 11 HSA @ 6:30 PM
- 13 Blessed Lambs Visit @ 9:45 AM
- Gr. 8 King's Dominion
- 14 ANS Spirit Night @ Blue Crabs 6:35 PM
- 18 Noon Dismissal
- 20 Family Festival
- 24 Softball @ 9:30 AM – Oak Ridge Park
- 26 Softball (rain date)
- 30 School Closed Memorial Day
- 31 Graduation Practice
- May 31-June 3 BOGO Book Fair

June

- 1 Graduation Breakfast 8:30 AM @ Sacred Heart
- Mass 10:00 AM @ Sacred Heart
- Graduation 6:30 PM @ ANS



The Eagles Nest

MAY 2022



MAY VIRTUE:

RESPONSIBILITY



Being reliable in your duties and accountable for your actions

Grade 8 Schedule



May 13: Class trip to Kings Dominion

May 31: Graduation Practice @ ANS

June 1: Graduation Breakfast – 8:30 AM – Friendship Room @ Sacred Heart - Graduates & families

Baccalaureate mass - 10:00 AM – Sacred Heart – Graduates & families

Graduation Ceremony – 6:00 PM @ ANS Gymnasium – All graduates should arrive no later than 5:40 PM

Tuition Agreements

Tuition agreements have been emailed to those families who are enrolled for next year. The email provides payment plan information. **Payments must be set up by June 1.** If you have any questions, please contact Gina Fairfax in the office.

Outstanding Tuition/Fees

Please remit all outstanding balances to TADS for the 21-22 school year. Report cards will not be mailed and records will not be transferred for any student whose account is in arrears, who owes for library books, lost or destroyed textbooks or has any other outstanding bills.

ANS Aftercare

The ANS Aftercare Program has openings for FULL-TIME spots for the 2022-2023 school year. If you have any questions or are interested in using this service, please contact Margaret Morris.



Counselor's Corner

Preparing for Transition

Wow! I can't believe it's almost May! At times it feels like there's still so much to do and not enough time! When May comes around I start to think about the transition all my students are about to make and how I can help families make the transition as smooth as possible? I often give extra attention to students transitioning to middle and high schools for the first time. This can be a very exciting and scary time for students and parents, but also a great time to reflect and prepare for the transition ahead. There's always an adjustment period that occurs for students like, adjusting to new teachers, changing classes, more assignments/homework, and the list goes on. Utilize this time to talk with your student(s) about what they may be feeling moving to a new school/grade. Make space for them to express their feelings about the unknown. Parents, talk about your school experience, let them know "they've got this" and you'll continue to be there every step of the way!

Here are a few suggestions on how to start the conversation:

1. If your student likes to help prepare dinner/bake this can be a fun and light atmosphere to make room for conversation. Sometimes the face to face approach can be a bit uncomfortable. (This isn't limited to cooking; this could work while participating in any of their favorite activities).
2. While driving in the car to practice, family trip or a game, make time for a little conversation.

Ask open ended questions and allow space for silence if your student needs to process a while. Here are some questions to ask:

1. Tell me about what you're feelings are going to (High School/ Middle School)?
2. Is there anything you're excited about exploring at your new school?
3. Is there anything you're nervous about entering a new grade or school?
4. What are you looking forward to moving forward?

Special Persons' Days

Special Persons' Days will be held on Thursday, May 5 and Friday, May 6. Apple Spice **will not** be providing lunch on those days. Please make sure that your child(ren) bring a lunch to school on the day their class is not having lunch on Special Persons' Day.

We are in need of at least 2 adults to supervise parking on these days. Please call the school office if you are able to help out. Volunteer hours will be credited for next school year.

BOGO Book Fair

Thank you to the following parents who helped with the book fair with set up and take down or by working during class shopping times: Monelsa Ramos, Jackie Watts, Tiffany Whiteside, Chris Cusmano, Melissa Sprague, Denise Mangra, Shahla Patrylo, Karen Postl, Dawn Morgan, Shannon Dyson, Natasha & Ron Taylor, Nancy Wilt, and Gagandeep Suri.

The BOGO Book Fair will be held Tuesday, May 31 through Friday, June 3. There will be collection boxes for loose change which will be used to purchase books for donation to the Children's Aid Society. Help will be needed with set up and take down. Please contact Sandi Hankinson via email at hankinsonfam@gmail.com.

High School Graduations

Charles County Public Schools will be holding their graduation ceremonies May 31 through June 3. Listed below is the schedule for graduations. Please note that the high school(s) graduating on a specific day will be closed. Therefore, there will be no shuttle service to/from ANS for those students only. Parents will need to provide their own transportation on those days.

Tuesday, May 31

St. Charles High School
McDonough High School



Wednesday, June 1

Lackey High School

Thursday, June 2

LaPlata High School

All high schools will have shuttle service on Friday, June 3.



ANS Spirit Night @ The Blue Crabs



On Saturday, May 14, our school will be having a “spirit night” at the Blue Crabs game. Game time is 6:35 PM. Flyers went home with this newsletter. Tickets may be purchased up until 9:00 AM on the day of the game using the online portal on the Blue Crabs website. ANS will receive \$5 for every ticket purchased. Please come out to support our school and our local team!

ANS will be holding a raffle in conjunction with our “spirit night”. Raffle items will include a Blue Crabs foam spirit finger, a Blue Crabs tee shirt, 2 tickets to our “spirit night” game, an autographed bat from former Orioles and Blue Crabs player L.J. Hoes and a chance to throw out the first pitch the night of the game. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held on Friday, May 13 during the morning announcements. A flyer went home last week.

The proceeds from the raffle will go to support the oyster restoration efforts of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.



*Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee.
Blessed are thou among women, and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray
for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

