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# St. Mary News

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## From the Desk of Mrs. Miscavish

Dear Parents:

I hope so far your children are enjoying Catholic Schools Week. Mixing CSW and Spirit Week has given this week a breath of fresh air. Besides doing many meaningful community service projects, our student body is showing what great fun they are! On Monday it was great to see such creativity on the part of all our students in being mix matched with crazy clothes, crazy hair & hats! On Tuesday at Mass, it was interesting to see at Mass the variety of teams that our students love the most. I must say, the Red Wings overall seem to be the school favorite! Today we celebrated our first of two VIP days. What a nice way to start the day, celebrating our faith together with our VIP's. I look forward to tomorrow morning, when our Primary students will have the same lovely experience as our friends at Main.

Special Thank You to Cathy Fowler & Trish Smith for coordinating the week, to Anna Lesch for shopping and dividing our snack for easy delivery and to all the volunteers who helped make VIP day run so smoothly. Thank you to PAC for supporting this event and for the great gift the students & faculty will receive this coming Friday!

Congratulations to 7<sup>th</sup> grader Jenna Peppers, for winning the School Spelling Bee for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row!! Her competition was steep, but she came out the winner after the 15<sup>th</sup> round! Congratulations to 6<sup>th</sup> grader, Zachary Schmitt and 5<sup>th</sup> grader, Jake Pozar, who tied for 2nd place.

Congratulations to 8<sup>th</sup> grader Lauren Lang, for winning this year's Yearbook Cover Contest. Thank you to all students who entered, you made voting a very difficult task for the teaching staff!

After last Friday's Honors Ceremony, I received many requests for the poem I read at the end to inspire our students to always do their best no matter what life brings them. I warn you, this poem has a way of tugging at your heart strings and pulling them in many directions every time you read it!

### LIFE IS...

By Mother Theresa

Life is an opportunity, benefit from it.

Life is beauty, admire it.

Life is a dream, realize it.

Life is a challenge, meet it.

Life is a duty, complete it.

Life is a game, play it.

Life is a promise, fulfill it.

Life is sorrow, overcome it.

Life is a song, sing it.

Life is a struggle, accept it.

Life is a tragedy, confront it.

Life is an adventure, dare it.

Life is luck, make it.

Life is too precious, do not destroy it.

Life is life, fight for it.

God Bless,  
Maureen Miscavish

### \*Weekly Highlights

#### Feb. 2

Ground Hog Day

VIP Day (Primary Campus)

Concert Band 2:55-3:30PM

Children's Choir 2:55-3:45PM

Newspaper Club 2:55-3:55PM

#### Feb. 3

Celebrate Our World Paraliturgy 2:00PM

Beginning Band 2:55-3:30PM

#### Feb. 6

Kdg.—100th Day Celebration

Art Club Gr. 4 & 5 - 2:55-3:45PM

First Communion Parent Meeting

- 7:30PM St Peter Church

#### Feb. 7

Mom's In Touch 8:15AM (PC)

Band (All) 2:55-3:30PM

NJHS Tutoring Team C 2:55-3:45PM

#### Feb. 8

Waste-free Lunch

Little Mountaineers 1:00- 2:30PM (PC)

#### Feb. 9

No Mass at Primary

First Reconciliation—Mr. Pierce 12:45PM

Concert Band 2:55-3:30PM

Children's Choir 2:55-3:45PM

Gr. 8 Confirmation—

7:00PM St. Peter Church

#### Feb. 10

Kdg. & 7th Buddy Day at Primary in PM

1st & 6th Buddy Day Main in PM

Beginning Band 2:55-3:30PM

### Information Going Home

- Wednesday Pink Note
- Scrip Update
- Booster Club Bowling Fundraiser
- PAC Newsletter
- J.A.M. Jesus and Me (Kdg.—3)

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SPIRIT WEEK**

Thursday is Sweats Day— Yoga pants are not allowed.

Friday is Spirit Day—St. Mary Flannel Pants are not allowed.



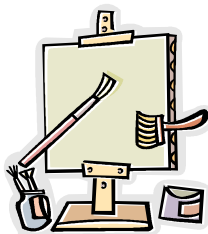
**PARKING LOT REMINDER**

- There is no left turn into the parking lot on Market Street in the morning.
- There is no left turn out of the parking lot on Market Street.
- If you are working in the Main Campus school building after 2:00PM park in rows like at dismissal.— DO NOT angle park this Friday if you are coming to the Celebrate Our World Prayer Service.

**Art Club News**

Beginning in February the Art Club will be meeting the first four Mondays of the month.

The 4th & 5th grade will meet the first and second Monday and the Junior High will meet the third and fourth Monday. Students are welcome to come to one or both of their designated days.



**Decorations—Daddy/Daughter Dance**

Donations of white Christmas lights are needed to decorate for this event. Please send them in by March 11th. If you can donate or have questions please contact Kathy Rabine at 586-255-7959.



**MARK YOUR LUNCH CALENDAR**

There will be NO Salad Bar the week of Mid Winter Break - February 22nd, 23rd & 24th.

**SHOW YOUR SPIRIT**

Get your MOUNTAINEER bracelet in time for Spirit Wear Friday!! On sale now in the school office at both campuses for \$2!! Please bring exact money. Cash only.

Youth t-shirts (2T to XL) are also available for purchase at the primary campus office for \$10. Hope everyone is enjoying Catholic Schools Spirit Week!

Go Mountaineers!!!

**WORN OUT KICKS.  
NEW PLACES TO PLAY.**

We're teaming up with Nike Reuse-A-Shoe for a shoe drive - and we need your help.



St. Mary NJHS and the Green Team are collecting worn out sneakers for recycling from April 16-April 21. Instead of tossing those worn out athletic shoes in the trash save them so Nike-Reuse-A-Shoe can recycle them into new places to play-like playgrounds, running tracks, football fields, basketball courts and more. Any brand is OK, but only athletic shoes without metal or cleats. No damp or muddy shoes, sandals or flip-flops



**CAFETERIA REQUESTS HELP**

There are many open slots available in March & April where help in the cafeteria is needed. Please call Susan Lietaert at 468-4369 to complete your volunteer requirement. Even if you have already fulfilled your requirement, please come and enjoy being with the students and helping the cafeteria staff.

**• Notice from the St. Peter Parish Administration Office**

**Due to the change in In-Parish tuition: If you attend Mass at another Parish it is no longer necessary to turn in their parish bulletin attached to your donation envelope.**