

St. Mike's Matters

THURSDAY NOTES

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This Week's Calendar

TONIGHT	Girls' B-Ball @ Oakland Bay Red - 3:30 PM
FRIDAY	All-School Mass - 9:00 AM Mardi Gras Tickets Due Passport Club Check Day PTSA Movie Night! 5:30 PM
MONDAY	MMO - 6th Grade Girls' B-Ball @ Pioneer - 3:30 K-3 OJP Permission Forms Due
TUESDAY	Girls' B-Ball vs Evergreen (Home) - 3:30 Mardi Gras! 1:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	Ash Wednesday Mass - 9:00 AM K-3 Field Trip to Olympia Jr. Programs - 11:45 AM
THURSDAY	Girls' B-Ball vs Cornerstone (Home) - 3:30
NEXT FRIDAY	All-School Mass - 9:00 AM



LAST CALL! Get Your Mardi Gras Tickets!

This is your last chance to purchase your Mardi Gras tickets (7 for \$1). The order form is attached. **Order forms must be in by TOMORROW.** Please return the form in a labeled envelope.

Dear St. Michael Families



Our spring conferences are scheduled for March 15th and 16th. Please see the conference scheduling form in your child's purple envelope and return it to your child's teacher by Friday, March 3rd. We look forward to partnering with you to share your child's progress and make plans for continued growth throughout the rest of the year. We honor the time you are taking to meet with us and we are so grateful for your partnership!

We are in the heart of what I call "budget season" here at St. Michael. I am presently rooted at my desk a bit more than usual while I am designing a budget that best enables us to fulfill our mission during the 2017-2018 school year. Registration packets for the 2017-2018 school year will be going home on **Thursday, March 9th**. Additionally, if you applied for tuition assistance, your award letters will be sent home on March 9th as well. Please note that while the Fulcrum Foundation tuition assistance award letters were mailed this week, the letter on the 9th will include any tuition assistance awarded through our school's endowment.

I have one more staffing announcement for next year to share with you. Ms. Demers will be leaving us at the end of the school year. It was always her intention to leave employment at St. Michael when her 8th grade daughter, Malia, graduates. We have all been incredibly blessed to benefit from Ms. Demers' expertise and deep care for our students over the last three years in the health room! Please join me in thanking Ms. Demers for her service to our school. We are currently seeking applicants for the position of Health Room Administrator for the 2017-2018 school year.

**Blessings,
Connor Geraghty, Principal**

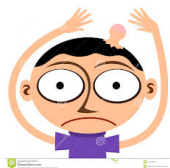


Olympia Jr. Programs Your Permission Forms!

Next Wednesday is the first performance of OJP (*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters*) for grades K-3. **PLEASE FIND YOUR PURPLE PERMISSION FORMS AND RETURN THEM ASAP!** Please pay special attention to the back. All medical information needs to be completed in full. If you need another form, please see Lynn or Barb in the office.

We also need parent volunteers to usher and chaperone for all upcoming performances. If you are able to help, please complete the enclosed form with the permission form and send it back to the school. Thank you for your help!

From the Health Room



Please read the insert in today's purple folder concerning SMPS policy on head injuries and concussions.

We are always striving to make every day a safe day on the playground, on the court and on the field.

Please help us by ensuring that your child understands the importance of reporting any head bumps to a supervisor.



Give Your Child the Summer of a Lifetime at CYO Summer Camp!

Summer camp is more than just eating s'mores, swimming in the pool, and

exploring the woods. CYO Summer Camp is about transforming lives through programs rooted in Catholic tradition and personal encounters with Jesus Christ. Lessons in problem solving, team work and the Catholic faith are taught through fun hands on games and high adventure activities away from smart phones and flat screens. Send your son or daughter or whole family to CYO Camp, those sacred memories will last a lifetime.

For more information: www.oxyae.org/camps

Camp Hamilton Video (grades 6-12):

<https://vimeo.com/200917443>

Camp Don Bosco Video (grades K-9):

<https://vimeo.com/199745942>

SCRIP NEWS



From your Gift Card Team

Sales of gift cards/ scrip cards have been very slow this 2016-17 academic year. We have fewer families in Scrip Club, and Safeway no longer pays us eScrip. The situation is severe enough to threaten PTSA funding for some student activities.

PTSA funding is only through Scrip gift card sales - there are no dues or other sources of income for this program.

Support PTSA and SMART at the same time!

The SMART auction is asking for several gift cards to finish auction baskets or for smaller bid prizes. Please choose a donation sheet located on Mrs. McGill's office window or buy Scrip from the office.

Buying and donating your gift cards is a win-win. Please come in today.

March Madness Teacher vs Student Game is back!

This is a fantastic time for the whole school! If we sell \$30,000 in gift cards in the month of March, the faculty will play an exhibition game with players from all grades. We would like every family to buy at least one gift card. If so,



**Help us
help our school**

SMART Auction Parent Ads!!!

Consider adding a special message for your child(ren) or your favorite teacher in this year's SMART Gala auction catalog. Create your own or have us create one for you. The cost for each ad is \$25.00. Please return a commitment form (one ad per form) and payment of \$25.00 per ad no later than March 10th, 2017.