



St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic School E-Notes



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God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.... Humble yourself before God, and he will exalt you. James 4:6, 10

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April Virtue of the Month: Stewardship/Service

Upcoming Weekly Activities

Mon, Apr 26

Terra Nova Make-up Testing for Grades 2-7
*Computer Club, 3:15-4:15 pm
*Shakespeare Play Practice, 3:10-4:15 pm
*Golf Tournament Meeting, 7:00 pm

Tues, Apr 27

Terra Nova Make-up Testing for Grades 2-7
*Talent Show in Parish Hall, 1 pm and 7 pm

Wed, Apr 28

*Math Counts, 7:00-8:00 am
*Blanket Buddies, 3:15-4:15 pm
*Mileage Club, 3:15-4:00 pm
Campaigning for 2010-11 SGA Officers

Thurs, Apr 29

*Battle of the Books Practice, 3:15-4:15 pm
*Majorettes, 3:15-4:00 pm, **(Last Day)**

Fri, Apr 30

*Children's Choir, 7:25-8:15 am
All School Mass/Mass Prep Grade 7
Grade 2 Confessions
Grandparent's Lunch, 6,7,8 – 11:00-11:20 am,
3,4,5 – 11:30-11:55 am, K,1,2 – 12:05-12:30 pm
*Science Club, 3:15-4:00 pm

Sat, May 1

*First Holy Communion Mass, 10:00 am,
Reception following First Holy Communion in
the Parish Hall

Principal's Notes

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our 2nd—7th grade students and teachers completed this week's Terra Nova standardized testing. All student Terra Nova make-up testing will be administered on Monday and Tuesday, April 26 and 27th to those students who were absent during the week. Please make sure that these students are well-rested and well-nourished for testing. Terra Nova results are to arrive by the end of the school year, and at that time we will send home your children's scores.

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The Diocesan Science Fair is tomorrow, April 24, 2010 at Paul VI High School. Students will be interviewed by judges from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, and exhibits will be open to parents for viewing at 2:00 pm. The awards ceremony will be at 3:00 pm in the auditorium. Best wishes to our student representatives: Madison Nguyen, Monique Mitchell, Maryssa Mancuso, Mary Moynihan, Brady Moore, Jonathan Klos, Andrew Corzo, and Hannah McGurk.

On Saturday, May 1st second grade students will be receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion. At the 8:45 am Mass on Friday, May 7th our second grade students will be dressed in their First Communion clothes so our school community can rejoice in their celebration of the Eucharist. Following Mass parents of 1st grade students will host a reception for our First Communicants and their parents.

At the Diocesan Music Festival last Saturday, April 17th, Mrs. Hornseth and our school's Children's Choir performed a traditional acappella piece, *Come Rejoice in God*, sung in English and Latin, and *Pizza Love*, a comedic take-off of the 60's and 70's Motown sound, and the audience gave them a standing ovation. Congratulations to Stephanie Ibanez, Emma Loisel, Anna Kurowski, Stephanie Geigel, Kelsey McCormick, Camille and Audrey Phillips, Genevieve Martin, Erinn O'Grady, Valerie Moran under Mrs. Hornseth's direction.

On May 27th at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall our school staff will host a Volunteer Appreciation Brunch to honor our parents' donations of time, talent and treasure to our school. The *Omelette Chefs* will prepare omelettes, and other breakfast items will be available for your enjoyment. Please mark your calendar now so our school staff can give you appropriate recognition for your extensive volunteerism in our school community for the betterment of our students' education. We look forward to this annual celebration of your goodness and generosity.

Campaigning for next year's SGA Officers will begin on Wednesday, April 28th. If you feel your middle school child might be interested, please encourage him/her to run for office. Elections for SGA classroom representatives will be held in the fall 2010.

Father Daughter Dance was a Huge Success

70 girls and 53 dads attended the dance last Friday. Bright pink was the theme and that it was! The room was very festive

with scenic murals, lanterns, ceiling swirls, and ink curly ribbons adorning the windows. Fathers and daughters came beautifully dressed for this special time together. There were plenty of group, line, and slow dances to suit everyone. The glow stick necklaces and door prizes were an immense hit. The girls squealed with such delight you would have thought iPods were being given out! The girls went home with a rose, a balloon, a goody bag, and a souvenir photo. We appreciate all the great refreshments that were enjoyed by all. **THANK YOU** to the fantastic team that assisted Deb O'Grady to make it another fun and memorable event. Helen Martin and Sherry Murphy handled the goody bags and door prizes. Susan Markel, Azeb Hundessa and Samaria, Aida Tashjian and Shelby Tashjian, Kristen Harlow, along with all the 6th grade girls: Claire Gasser, Tiffany Harlow, Genevieve Martin, Christy Morello, Erinn O'Grady, Camille Phillips, Rose Remington, and Paige Shervanick helped decorate the dance right after school. Maureen McGurk was so kind to use her 15 person van to pick up the 8 dozen pink pearlized balloons. Nora Moran and Lina Nguyen helped with refreshments at the dance. Special thanks to Pat Wilkerson, and her Cadette troop and moms for helping at the dance who took all the photos and helped with door prizes and refreshments. They did this for the experience and to earn service hours. I would also like to thank the dads that stayed after the dance to help with clean-up and table set-up for the First Communion Retreat which included: Richard Martin, Todd Martin, Shannon McGurk, Mike O'Grady, Steve Shervanick, and Joel Slotten. Sorry if I missed anyone by name. Again thanks to all for making it so special! Deb O'Grady

Golf Tournament Registration

Please join us for the 12th Annual St. Andrew's Guardian Angel Golf Tournament benefiting St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic School. It will be a great day of golf at the Westfields Golf Club in Clifton, VA. Players of all experience levels are welcome. The "early bird" discount for school families has been extended to Friday, April 30th. For more information, please go to our school website, <http://www.standrew-clifton.org>.

Please remember that even if you cannot golf or volunteer, you can still join us for Golf Tournament Dinner and Auction! Dinner order forms are due to the school office by Friday, May 7, 2010. Dinner order forms were sent home in your Friday Folders.

The golf committee is delighted to announce the return of the **50/50 raffle!** This year, tickets will be sold for only \$10.00 each or 3 for \$20.00. All money and ticket stubs are due back no later than Tuesday, May 18, 2010. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Van Scoten at 703-266-1611 or logbramat@hotmail.com. Tickets and more information can be found in your Friday Folder.

PAYMENT OR RETURN OF SPRING PHOTOS DUE April 30th

Spring Photos went home with the children on Wednesday. These photos either *have to be purchased and/or returned* to the school office by Friday, April 30th.

SUBWAY® Restaurants

SUBWAY® Restaurants are partnering with Scholastic and the National Institutes of Health *We Can!*™ program to empower youth, families, schools, and communities to adopt healthy behaviors and a *We Can!* attitude. To this end, SUBWAY® Restaurants and Scholastic have created a contest called the SUBWAY FRESH FIT® Family All Star Challenge that will energize your kids to invent new ways to eat fresh, healthy food and to stay fit. The goal of the contest is to create a brand-new game that promotes good nutrition, an active lifestyle, and reduced screen time. We've provided the tools your kids will need to design new games that everyone will want to play. In the process, they will learn a lot about the basics of healthy eating and staying fit. The best game submissions will win great prizes for their school, including \$5,000 worth of athletic equipment. In this way, we hope to recognize those who have embraced a SUBWAY FRESH FIT® lifestyle and who act as healthy role models to others. Let the games begin! Link to the contest information: <http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3753721>

Financial Obligations

All financial obligations to St. Andrew School, including tuition fees, overdue library books, and volunteer buyout fees of \$300 (if applicable), must be met by Friday, May 28, 2010. Your child/children's final report card and transcripts will be held until financial obligations are met. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Arduini in the school office at 703-817-1774.

Lost and Found

Our lost and found basket is over-flowing with lost clothes. Please stop by the school office to reclaim lost items. Items not picked-up by June 11th will be donated to charity.

Mileage Club

Please remember that in order for your child to participate in the Mileage Club they must have a form completed and signed. The Mileage Club will be starting on Monday, April 28th. These forms are due to the school office by Monday, April 26th.

Grandparents Lunch

Grandparents, please join us for our annual grandparent's lunch on Friday, April 30th! Enjoy Papa John's Pizza with your grandchildren, or feel free to bring your own lunch! Please find attached an order form for pizza, which must be returned no later than Monday, April 26th.

Adult Confirmation—St. Andrew Parish

Confirmation for adults of St. Andrew the Apostle parish will take place at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington on Saturday, May 22, 2010, at 7:30 pm. All parishioners of St. Andrew's parish who are baptized Catholics, 16 years or older, who wish to be confirmed on May 22 will be required to attend a series of THREE Monday classes in the Padre Pio

Room on April 12, 26 and May 10 from 7:30-8:30 pm. You must take a commitment to attend all classes and provide the Parish Office with a recent copy (dated within the last six months) of your baptismal certificate with notations, and if married, a copy of a marriage certificate issued by a Catholic Church.

For more information and to obtain a registration form, please stop by the Parish Office or call Donna at 703-817-1770. You may also download a registration form from our parish website, www.st-andrew.org under the "Our Parish" tab. The registration form and all required paperwork must be submitted to the Parish Office by Thursday, May 6, in order for our parish to meet the Diocesan registration deadlines.

News from the Nurse

Please click on the following links to find information on Homework Basics (kids are more successful in school when parents take an active interest in homework) and Turning Family Time into Active Time.

<http://kidshealth.org/parent/positive/learning/homework.html?ETF=22256>.

<http://www.healthychildren.org/english/healthy-living/fitness/pages/Turning-Family-Time-into-Active-Time.aspx>

Reminders

- First Holy Communion practice will be held tomorrow, Saturday, April 24th at 10:00 am in the Church.
- Catholic Shop gift cards are available for First Communion and Confirmation Gifts. Please call or stop by the parish office for purchases.
- Our next Open House for prospective parents is Thursday, May 6th from 9-10:30 am. Parent volunteers are needed to serve as tour guides at the Open House. Please contact Paula Shervanick or Jacki Wallis if you can volunteer.

It has been a very busy week around St. Andrew School. Have a wonderful weekend, and may God bless you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Glenda M. Sigg