



Dear Parents and Guardians,

May 19, 2017

Thank you to the parents and family members who attended Wednesday's "Night of the Arts." The evening is always a fun celebration of our art and music. It's awesome to see every student's artwork on display in one place. We are blessed to have Mr. Washington, Ms. Tracey, and Mr. Harvey as members of our instructional team. These teachers and all of our students should be commended for their fabulous work!



Today's Field Day was very hot but a lot of fun! Kudos to Coach Hunter and the "Class of 2017" for their organization and leadership. Each station featured an exciting sport or activity that was enjoyed by all. Special thanks are extended to our friends at Catholic University for once again sharing their beautiful campus with us.

Toys... This is a gentle reminder that students are not allowed to bring toys to school. This includes fidget spinners, dolls, Legos, etc... Toys will be confiscated and returned on the last day of school.

Taste of Africa... The committee would like to thank all of you that came out and supported our inaugural event. A great time was had by all! We raised over \$900!

Blue & Gold Tag Day... Show your school spirit by proudly and creatively sporting your blue and gold! The free tag day is on Monday, May 22nd.

Clothing Drive... St. Anthony is partnering with Archbishop Carroll High for a one day clothing drive to benefit our needy sisters and brothers in Haiti. Donations of gently used children and adult spring and summer clothing (t-shirts, shorts, sandals, etc...) are needed. Please bring your donations to school on Monday, May 22. Late donations will not be accepted. Sorry for the short notice. Your support is appreciated.

Nacho Sale... The "Class of 2017" is hosting a Nacho Sale on during all lunch periods on Tuesday, May 23. The cost is \$2.00 per bowl. Proceeds will go toward the graduates' class gift. Treat your child to this fun snack!

Variety Show... St. Anthony's got talent! Join us on Thursday afternoon for our annual Variety Show. The exact time will be shared on Monday. All are welcome.

Children's Fair... Our goal is for 100% student participation. The cost is \$10.00 per child. This includes games and prizes, food, and other activities. Thank you to those who already submitted payment. Students may dress in their play clothes. Dismissal is at 1:30 PM and there is aftercare.

Service Hours Opportunity... Last call! All parent and guardians who have successfully completed the Virtus/ child protection process are encouraged to support our May 26th Children's Fair. Volunteers are needed to set-up, work individual stations, serve lunch, and clean up. Contact Mrs. Tanzi West or the school office to sign-up or learn more details.

Please note... St. Anthony will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

You're Invited... Celebrate our graduates with us on Thursday, June 1st. The Baccalaureate Mass is at 8:30 AM and Commencement is at 7:00 PM in the church. Our commencement speaker is alumnus Col. Benjamin Alvin Colonel Drew. Col. Drew is a United States Air Force officer and a respected NASA astronaut. We hope you can join us!

5th Grade Parents!! Our Middle School Orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, June 7th (6:00-8:00 PM) in Margot Hall. The event is designed for rising 6th graders and their families and for those new students joining our middle school. Attendees will meet the middle school instructional team and learn about the middle schedule, important policies, and helpful tips to ensure a smooth transition to junior high.

June 9th... The countdown is on to the last day of school. June 9th is the last day of school and a 12:30 PM dismissal with no aftercare. You're invited to attend 8:15 AM Mass with us. An awards ceremony will immediately follow for grades 3-8.

Spaghetti Dinner... We will celebrate the successful end of the school year and our patron, St. Anthony of Padua, on Saturday, June 10th. The dinner is 6:00-8:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to set-up, cook, serve, and clean up. Just as important, we need hungry patrons to come out and enjoy the dinner. Please contact the school if interested.

Looking Ahead... Fourth quarter report cards will be mailed on Friday, June 16th. The first day of school for students is Tuesday, August 29th.

Our school days and nights have been full of activities for our students and their families. You're encouraged to "Like Us" on Facebook or simply visit our Facebook page (An account is not needed.) to view recent pictures. Students from all grades are featured. You just might be surprised by some of the posts. Enjoy!

As always, your support of our school and its students is appreciated. Your presence and participation make the difference. Thank you for all you do. God bless you.

Sincerely,
Michael Thomasian
Principal

Proudly celebrating our 95th year!