



Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these" (Matthew 19:14).

Hello St. Andrew Catholic Community,

St. Andrew Catholic School has partnered with Evans High School. They need the support of our community to ensure that students have everything they need in order to be successful.

On Tuesday, January 16, 2024, each student can bring one of the following items listed below or a \$5 donation. Any student who brings in a donation can dress down on Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

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**WE NEED:**

- Deodorant
- Dental floss
- Vaseline(travel size)
- Lotion
- Combs/Brushes
- Socks

Mrs. Gipson

**St. Andrew Catholic School**

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(407) 295-4230  
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# Sunday, January 14, 2024-Saturday, January 20, 2024

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Monday, January 15, 2024

Front Office Closed

"The time is always right  
to do what is right."

MARTIN LUTHER  
KING, JR. DAY

January 15 - No School



Tuesday, January 16, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- SACS Breast Cancer T shirt Tuesday
- Step practice from 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. in room 14.
- Ensemble Elite Practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Church. Any student not picked up by 5:05 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a fee.
- Boys middle school open gym from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium
- Middle School Girls JV Volleyball game in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall \* Gymnasium at 6:00 p.m. vs. Holy Redeemer
- Middle School Girls V Volleyball game at St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium at 7:00 p.m. vs. Holy Redeemer

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- School Mass at 8:00 a.m. St. Andrew Catholic Church
- Cheer practice from 2:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall \* Gymnasium. Please be prepared with full practice attire & cheer shoes. Any student not picked up by 4:50 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a charge.

Thursday, January 18, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- SACS Throwback T-shirt Thursday
- Ensemble Elite Practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic School music room. Any student not picked up by 5:05 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a fee.

Friday, January 19, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- Prayer with the Principal at 2:45 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Church
- K-5<sup>th</sup> grade track practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal (formally handbell choir) from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic School music room. Any student not picked up by 5:05 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a fee.

Saturday, January 20, 2024

- K-5<sup>th</sup> grade track meet at Bishop Moore Catholic High School. TBA

## Have you checked out Our Digital Resources?

As always, we encourage our school community to go green by using our digital resources especially the school website. St. Andrew Catholic School is also on Facebook and Twitter so please like our Facebook page and follow us on Twitter at #sacsorlando to learn about what is going on at school.

Please make sure that your email addresses are up to date with the school office.



can be found on our school website at <https://standrewcatholicschool.org/calendar/>.

Please mark your calendars now for important events.

## ALUMNI

Do you have any news on an alumni that you would like us to know?

If so, please send it to Mrs. Johnson via email at [ejohnson@standrewcatholicschool.org](mailto:ejohnson@standrewcatholicschool.org) so we can put it in the newscast and let everyone at St. Andrew know what the SPARTANS out in the world are doing.

We would like to thank the Catholic Negro American Mission Board for providing our school with grant. You can find more about this organization at [www.blackandindianmission.org](http://www.blackandindianmission.org)

# PreK4-1st Grade Newsletter

## Pre-K4

**CHARACTERS EDUCATION:** Cooperation, Intentionality  
**LITERACY:** Oral Language and phonological Awareness Alliteration, compound words  
**ALPHABET KNOWLEDGE:** Dd, Ss, Ll  
**MATH:** Measurement, Counting Non-standard Units  
**RELIGION:** During Lent, we follow Jesus and Show our love for God in our deeds.

## Kindergarten Pathways to Learning

**Religion:** Hands are Good  
**ELA:** Sights words and sentences  
**Math:** Subtraction sentences  
**Social Studies:** Needs and Wants  
**Science:** Seasons

## First Grade

**ELA:** CV pattern, Long i,o,u ; Personal Narratives, Predictions, Elements of Drama, Suffixes -y and -ly  
**Math:** Related facts and problem solving using models  
**Religion:** Jesus Shows us He is Good  
**Social Studies:** Maps  
**Science:** Investigating Sound Features

## Important Dates

Jan. 15 Dr. Martin L. King's Day, No School

Jan. 28 Catholic Schools Week Mass @ 11 am

*"Justice and judgment are the foundation of your throne; mercy and faithfulness march before you."*  
- Psalms 89:15



# 2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade News

## Important Dates

- **Week of January 8th-  
winter MAP testing  
begins**
- **Monday, January 15th-  
No School (MLK Day)**

## 2nd Grade Happy New Year!

ELA: /c/ and /g/ words,  
prefixes, informational text,  
fantasy text

Math: Two-digit subtraction

Social Studies: Climate in  
communities

Science: Plant parts and its  
functions

Religion: Learn about the  
commandments

## 3rd Grade

ELA: Identify why stories  
from other cultures are  
important

Math: Multiplication concepts

Social Studies: Discuss the  
Constitution and its purpose

Science: Discuss objects in  
motion

Religion: Discover how God  
sent His Son to live among us

## 4th Grade

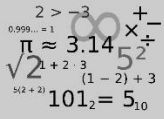






ELA: review structure of opinion writing

Math: Introduction to factors, multiples, and fractions

Social studies: learning about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr

Religion: Learning about God's Laws

# Spartan Press

<p><b>Mathematics</b></p> 	<p><b>English Language Arts</b></p> 	<p><b>Social Studies</b></p> 	<p><b>Science</b></p> 	<p><b>Religion</b></p> 
<p><b>Happy New Year!</b></p> <p><b>5th grade:</b> Students will add, subtract, multiply and divide decimals.</p> <p><b>6th grade:</b> Students will represent real-world problems involving ratios and rates with tables and graphs.</p> <p><b>7th grade:</b> Students will write and solve one-step inequalities.</p> <p><b>8th grade:</b> Students will compare, analyze, and describe functions.</p> <p><b>***All logins and passwords have been given to students for IXL and Ray Dass. Please allow your child time to work on them everyday.</b></p> <p><b>30 minutes on IXL</b> <b>30 minutes on Ray Dass</b></p>	<p><b>5th:</b> Students will be able to draw conclusions from reading informational text.</p> <p><b>6th:</b> Students will be able to compare and contrast Native American tribes and identify the author's purpose for writing.</p> <p><b>7th:</b> Students will be able to identify themes of a short story and analyze the author's word choice and style.</p> <p><b>8th:</b> Students will be able to analyze key elements of historical fiction and understand the mood of a story.</p> <p>Practice language arts skills on IXL. Read your chapter book.</p> 	<p><b>5th Grade:</b> Students will continue to learn about ancient civilizations and tribes. They will compare cultural aspects, as they differ by region.</p> <p><b>6th Grade:</b> Students are reading chapter 3 The Fertile Crescent. They will learn how Sargon conquered Sumerian city-states to create an empire.</p> <p><b>7th Grade:</b> Students are starting chapter 4 of The Bill of Rights.</p> <p><b>8th Grade:</b> Students will begin Chapter 3 Colonies Take Root.</p>	<p><b>5th grade:</b> students will be working on the solar system and their project, they will learn the position of the planet</p> <p><b>6th grade:</b> students will be learning on working Chemical reactions, they will be working in a lab, after they have been working on chemical reaction last week.</p> <p><b>7th grade:</b> students will be learning on the skin system and they will have a test on Friday</p> <p><b>8th grade:</b> they will be working on their project for science on the universe and space</p>	<p><b>5th Grade:</b> Students are exploring how and why through the Eucharist Jesus is the perfect gift.</p> <p><b>6th Grade:</b> Students are learning more providence in our lives through the stories of Moses, Passover and the Exodus.</p> <p><b>7th Grade:</b> Students are identifying why and how the Parables of Jesus convey truths about God and are relevant to us today.</p> <p><b>8th Grade:</b> Students are looking closely at how the Church is "catholic" (universal) and how we can participate in its mission.</p> 

# SPECTACULAR SPECIALS



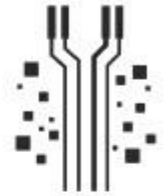
Mrs. Bharath



Mrs. Strudwick



Mr. Marcello



Mr. Abega

Art	Music	Physical Education	S.T.R.E.A.M
<p>Happy New Year!</p> <p>This month of January, Pre-K4 and Kindergarten students will be learning about various artists through a series of guided drawings.</p> <p>Both Upper and Lower Elementary will be looking at Art Nouveau and Art Deco styles for a Graphic Design project.</p>	<p>This month in Music Class middle school will be working on learning the History of Black music in the USA. This topic is too expansive to be covered in only one month. 3rd - 8th graders will be reading notations with more difficult rhythms used in Jazz and Pop. 1st and 2nd graders will be listening, singing and playing simple tunes in styles found in this study. Pre K and K will be learning ring games and simple songs</p> <p>We will also begin studying recorders once more.</p>	<p>In the month of January our PE classes will be covering Track and Field. Students will learn the different events and practice them by competing against each other. Students will also learn volleyball. In health we will be discussing the history and rules of track and volleyball.</p>	<p>For the month of January, NWEA Map testing will be taking place in the STREAM lab.</p>

The below special will open Tuesday, January 16, 2024!



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★ M.L.K Day ★  
Enrollment Special.

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Enrollment will be from January 15-19.

The cost will be \$200, per student.



\*Must have at least 10 service hours in order to qualify.\*

# PAPA JOHNS®



## NIFTY 50 FUNDRAISER

Help St. Andrew Catholic School raise funds to be able to provide an affordable quality education.



For only \$15, get 50% off 18 online menu-priced pizza orders before 12/31/24!

**FIND A STUDENT TO PREORDER YOURS!**

**SALES START: 1/3/24**

**SALES END: 1/31/24**

*\*Cards are distributed about 2 weeks after the school submits the total card order\**

*Cards are valid online only in Central and South Florida, Greater Tampa Bay, and Fort Myers. See [papajohnsfundraising.com/participating-areas](http://papajohnsfundraising.com/participating-areas) Must be signed into Papa Rewards Account. Not stackable with other discounts. \$500 order limit.*

**Each family is expected to sell a minimum of 4.  
Prizes will be given to the top 3 sellers!**

As you all should know, the cost to educate a student for the 2023-2024 school year as stated in our 2023-2024 Tuition & Fee Schedule is \$11,592.00.

Our tuition is \$8,516.00 for Pre-K4-5th which is a \$3,076.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

Our tuition for 6th grade is \$8496.00 which is a \$3096.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

Our tuition for 7th grade is \$8517.00 which is a \$3075.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

Our tuition for 8th grade is \$8607.00 which is a \$2985.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

In order to keep expenses reasonable for families, we try to bridge the difference with fundraiser such as the World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser that starts tomorrow as posted on our 2023-2024 St. Andrew Catholic School calendar which became available July 1, 2023 and in the Spartan Press.

Below, you will find what our 2023-2024 Handbook says about fundraising:



### FUNDRAISING

All families must participate in school fundraising activities. The Home and School Association organizes and implements the fundraising program working with sales representatives from various vendors. Families/students fundraising for SACS are




expected to use parent-approved friends, relatives and neighbors, not door-to-door selling. The revenue from the fundraisers is used to offset additional expenses or unbudgeted items that tuition does not cover such as technology enhancements, facilities and campus improvements, classroom enrichment materials, and a variety of instructional supplies.

School groups and the student body conduct fundraising drives such as Dollar Dress Down Days and Bake Sales. The type, frequency, and scheduling of these drives must be approved by the School Administration. Contributions and participation by students and employees is voluntary.




# St. Andrew Catholic SCHOOL



The 2024-2025 Pre-K4 Enrollment is now open  
to current families until January 15, 2024.

New families will be able to apply starting on  
January 16, 2024.

**\$275 enrollment fee for Full Time students.**



Here is the link to register for below club:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdBaPpgm1cjDt15GqqBdGS8cwpSBac9k4CFsWDhs2ZEiDsjDQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdBaPpgm1cjDt15GqqBdGS8cwpSBac9k4CFsWDhs2ZEiDsjDQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)





# Witness the Fitness

*Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30*

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*Beginning 01.09.2024*

"Let's take sometime to  
walk, talk, & get fit!"

- \*Open to the first 50 people
- \*P.E uniform is mandatory

*Grades:* 3rd-8th      *Sponsored by:* Mrs. Gipson and G. Revolte

# St. Andrew Catholic School

# OPEN HOUSE



**Sunday January 28, 2024 | 12:15 p.m.-2:15 p.m.**

Feel free to bring your family and friends while you tour our school and learn about our financial assistance opportunities.

We look forward to welcoming you!  
For more information,  
please contact (407)295-4230  
877 N. Hastings Street. Orlando , FL 32808

[standrewcatholicsschool.org](http://standrewcatholicsschool.org)



# Breast Cancer Shirt

Available sizes remaining

Youth Small- 3  
Youth Large- 4  
Adult Small- 2  
Adult Large- 2  
Adult XL- 2  
Adult 2XL- 1



FRONT



BACK

## All Shirts are \$10

Please email [sdescopain@standrewcatholicschool.org](mailto:sdescopain@standrewcatholicschool.org) or [rhayes@standrewcatholicschool.org](mailto:rhayes@standrewcatholicschool.org)

## They can be worn on Tuesdays

No returns, refunds or exchanges once order placed.

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# Art and the Heart of Our Lady

Mother & Daughter Retreat

**Saturday, January 20**

**9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

**\$45 per person**

Presented by The Sisters of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Erin Molloy, and Alina Polak

Set the day aside to focus on growing together in Christ with your Middle School daughter(s), grades 6-8



This year, we are focusing on Our Lady and how she is an example of hope, faith, and holiness. Through encouraging, practical teaching, opportunities for prayer, and memorable relationship-building activities like learning how to use watercolor painting to reflect on the Scriptures and Rosary making, mothers and daughters can come away feeling encouraged and equipped. Together, we'll hear a talk from one of the Sisters of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary, explore Mary's life, get good one-on-one time & and have a ton of fun!

To register, visit  
[www.sanpedrocenter.org/upcoming-events/mother-daughter-retreat](http://www.sanpedrocenter.org/upcoming-events/mother-daughter-retreat)  
or scan the QR code.

Questions? Contact Katie Phillips,  
San Pedro Program Manager  
[katie@sanpedrocenter.org](mailto:katie@sanpedrocenter.org)



Get fingerprinted NOW so you can volunteer during the 2023-2024 school year if you aren't already!



Office of Human Resources

## Safe Environment Certification Instructions

Thank you for your interest in becoming a diocesan employee and/or volunteer! Please note the Safe Environment Certification process consists of 2 Steps:

### Step 1: Safe Environment video and quiz

### Step 2: Fingerprinting

Begin by visiting <https://www.orlandodiocese.org/safe-environment/english/>. Please read the instructions carefully. **You cannot submit fingerprints until you have completed the Safe Environment video and passed the quiz.**

### Step 1: Safe Environment Video and Quiz

1. Watch the Safe Environment Certification video. The video is about 25 minutes long.
2. When the video is complete, read the Diocesan Standards of Conduct and agree to terms. Proceed to quiz.
3. Enter the Entity Code provided by your parish/school office: 259  
Choose your role/applicant type: **volunteer, employee, vendor, clergy, or deacon.**  
Click "next" to take the 20 question quiz.
4. Passing scores are 80% and above.

If you pass, you may immediately download your certificate. Results will also be emailed to your diocesan entity and to the office of Human Resources. Once the Safe Environment Certification quiz is complete, a Fieldprint code will appear specific to your entity. Please copy or write down this Fieldprint code as you will need to enter it in the next step. If you fail the quiz, you will be directed to Step 1.

### Step 2: Fingerprinting

Visit [www.fieldprintflorida.com](http://www.fieldprintflorida.com) to register for your fingerprinting appointment. You will need an email address for this part of the process. **If you do not have an email address, please contact the Safe Environment Coordinator in your diocesan entity (parish/school office) for assistance.**

Please enter the Fieldprint Code on the "Reason for Fingerprinting" screen when prompted. Then complete Fieldprint registration and schedule your appointment.

# Need help for yourself or a friend?

Text  
**Spartans**  
to  
**1-844-311-7177**

**Text-4-Help**  
**24/7 365**  
Safe. Anonymous.  
Always Available.



## FORTIFYFL

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

### QUICKLY AND EASILY SUBMIT A TIP

By accessing FortifyFL, students can provide a description of the threat, share pics and videos and optionally submit their contact information.

#### Anonymous or Non-Anonymous

You decide whether you want to include your name and contact information.

#### Convenient

Submitting a tip is quick and easy using our mobile app or website.

#### Include Photos and Video

You can also include photos or video with your tip report.

### QUICKLY SEND TO AUTHORITIES

FortifyFL automatically routes your tip report to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.



#### Your School Officials

The tip report goes to your local school officials when submitted.

#### Local Law Enforcement

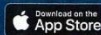
Your local police department or sheriff office receive copies of your tips automatically.

#### State-Level Officials

State-level officials also have access to your tips to make sure proper steps are taken.

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

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SCAN ME



# FORTIFYFL

APLIKASYON POU RAPÒTE AKTIVITE SISPÈK



Fortify FL se yon zouti pou rapòte aktivite sispèk ki pèmèt ou transmèt enfòmasyon soulechan bay ajans fòsdelòd apwopriye yo ak responsab lekòl yo.

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SCAN ME





# FORTIFYFL

APLICACIÓN DE INFORMES DE ACTIVIDAD SOSPECHOSA



FortifyFL es una herramienta para reportar actividades sospechosas que te permite enviar información a las agencias del cumplimiento de la ley apropiadas y a oficiales escolares.

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SCAN ME



**St. Andrew Catholic School is now hiring for the 2023-2024 school year.**  
**If you would like to join our team, please forward your resume to [lgipson@standrewcatholicschool.org](mailto:lgipson@standrewcatholicschool.org).**  
**Work the days and hours your child is in school or after school!**

### **St. Andrew Catholic Home and School Association**

The St. Andrew Catholic Home and School Association is an organization comprised of all parents and guardians of St. Andrew Catholic School students. Their purpose is to promote open communication, goodwill and cooperation among the parents, teachers, and administration by providing an opportunity for parents and teachers to work together for the good of the children. HSA also directs and coordinates parental education and supports St. Andrew Catholic School through assistance activities, social functions and fundraisers.

Membership is open to all parents and guardians of students of St. Andrew Catholic School and the faculty of the school. A voting member shall consist of the entire family unit and the member must be in good financial standing with the association to cast a vote.

**We are in the process of looking for the following officers for the 2023-2024 school year:**

#### **President**

- a. The president shall be the chief executive officer of the association. He/she shall have authority over the general and active management of the business and affairs of the association, subject to the direction of the board.
- b. The president shall call and preside over all regular and special meetings of the association and executive board.

#### **Vice President**

- a. Acts as an aide to the President
- b. Performs the duties and exercise the powers of the President in the absence of the President
- c. Performs such duties as assigned by the Home and School Association Board of Directors

#### **Secretary**

- a. The secretary shall be responsible for keeping a true and accurate record of meetings of this association and of the executive board.
- b. The secretary shall be responsible for keeping a current and accurate listing of members.
- c. The secretary shall be responsible for notifying all board members of regular or special meetings of the board. He/she shall be responsible for sending notification of regular or special meetings of the association to all members.
- d. He/she shall handle such correspondence as the president or executive board shall direct.

#### **Treasurer**

- a. Works with the President to create an annual budget for the Home and School Association
- b. Presents the budget to the Home and School Association Board for approval
- c. Keeps an accurate record of receipts and expenditures

#### **Homeroom Parent (HR) Coordinator**

- a. Update and prepare HR Parent notebook for distribution annually to new HR Parents and assist with the HR Parent meeting at the beginning of the school year.
- b. Assist or serve as Chairperson of the Teacher Appreciation Committee and assists with disseminating HSA and other information via HR Parents.

According to our HSA bylaws regarding elections, HSA board members are elected for a 2-year term. If you are interested in one of the open board positions above please email me your name, position desired, and contact information to Latrina M. Peters-Gipson at [lgipson@standrewcatholicschoo.org](mailto:lgipson@standrewcatholicschoo.org).

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EXPIRES: May 1, 2024

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In order for your child to play sports, parent/guardian must take a class. The link for the class is below:  
<https://playlikeachampion.wufoo.com/forms/mhwg1p5036xjyp/>

Proof of attendance in one of the below will allow you to receive 1 hour of volunteer hours towards your Render Unto God volunteers hours needed to reenroll for the 2024-2025 school year. All families need 10 hours to re-enroll.



## OCPS NON-PUBLIC SERVICES

*2023-2024 online parent workshops*

### **Behavior Management**

September 14, 2023 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Workshop Link - <https://tinyurl.com/BM091423>

### **Strategies for Improving Nightly Homework Routines**

November 09, 2023 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Workshop Link - <https://tinyurl.com/Strats110923>

### **Supporting Students During Testing**

January 25, 2024 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Workshop Link - <https://tinyurl.com/Testing012524>

### **Transitioning from High School to Post High School**

April 11, 2024 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Workshop Link - <https://tinyurl.com/PostHS21124>

**REGISTER NOW**



<https://tinyurl.com/2324NP-Parents>

