



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 School Families,



# Breast CANCER

## AWARENESS

If you haven't purchased a Breast Cancer T-shirt. It's not too late. We have t-shirts available. First come, first serve! Children will be able to wear their shirts throughout the school year on T-shirt Tuesdays.

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

**Include your child's name, size, and grade**



Blessings,  
Mrs. Gipson

**St. Andrew Catholic School**

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# Sunday, October 29, 2023-Saturday, November 4, 2023

## Sunday, October 29, 2023

## Monday, October 30, 2023

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

- First Trimester Conferences Continues
- World Finest Chocolate Fundraiser Ends
- Step Practice from 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. in room 14. Students not picked up by 4:35 p.m. will go to aftercare.
- CreativeU for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade registered students from 3:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. in art room. Any student not picked up by 5:50 p.m. will go to aftercare.

## Tuesday, October 31, 2023

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

- World Finest Chocolate Fundraiser Dress Down Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ONLY Ensemble Elite Choir Practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Church. Students not picked up by 5:05 p.m. will go to aftercare.
- Basketball practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. for all registered 5<sup>th</sup> grade basketball players.
- Track practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. for all registered middle school students on St. Andrew Catholic School field. Students not picked up by 5:35 p.m. will go to aftercare.

## Wednesday, November 1, 2023

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

- St. Andrew Catholic School Mass at 8:00 a.m. in our St. Andrew Catholic Church
- Kindergarten Grade Retreat
- Cheer practice from 2:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Students not picked up by 4:50 p.m. will go to aftercare. Please remember to bring practice clothes and athletic shoes.

## Thursday, November 2, 2023

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

- Basketball practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. for all registered 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade basketball players.
- 3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Sports Registration Sign Up in St. Andrew Catholic School STREAM Lab
- Ensemble Elite Choir Practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium music room. Students not picked up by 5:00 p.m. will go to aftercare.

## Friday, November 3, 2023

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 Church
- Track practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. for all registered middle school students on St. Andrew Catholic School field. Students not picked up by 5:35 p.m. will go to aftercare.
- Mandatory track parent meeting at 5:15 p.m.!
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade basketball game at 7:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium.

## Saturday, November 4, 2023

- Track meet at Bishop Moore Catholic High School. All participants must arrive at 8:00 a.m.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade basketball game at 12:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary

### 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@standrewcatholicsschool.org](mailto:ejohnson@standrewcatholicsschool.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 Focus of the Week

**Character Education:** Courage and Humor  
**Literacy:** Phonological Awareness, Vocabulary  
**Letter Knowledge:** Name letters Gg, Ww, Ll, Zz  
**Math:** Numeracy  
**Religion:** Our Father

## Kindergarten Pathways to Learning

**Religion:** Thankful is Good  
**ELA:** Identify topic, central Ideas and Key details in story, Short and long i , Rhymes and sight words  
**Math:** Count and Compare Numbers to 10  
**Social Studies:** Let's Review (Weekly 1-4)  
**Science:** What is Push/Pull?  
"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it."  
-Proverbs 22:6

## First Grade

**Religion:** God Sent us a Savior, Saints  
**ELA:** Phonics: ch and sh , Elements of Narrative Story, Sight Words, Complete versus Incomplete Sentences, Point of View  
**Math:** Adding using Ten Frames, Place Value  
**Social Studies :** Fact and Fiction  
**Science:** Light , Cause and effect

## Important Dates

**Oct. 2 - 31 :** Parent /Teacher Conferences  
**Oct. 31 :** Fall Celebrations  
**Nov. 1 :** All Saints' Day Parade  
**Nov. 2 :** All Souls Day  
**Nov. 3 :** Field Trip @ OSC  
1st Trimester Ends

"Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the Kingdom."

Matthew 11:25



# 2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade News

## Important Dates

- **October 2nd-October 31st-  
Parent/Teacher  
Conferences**
- **October 31st- Fall Stations**
- **1st Trimester Field Trips  
on 11/3/23**

## 2nd Grade

ELA: Long /a/ sound words,  
reading fluency, story  
structure in fiction text,  
narrative writing

Math: Addition and  
subtraction word problems

Social Studies: The Pilgrims

Science: Properties of  
Matter

Religion: Sacraments

## 3rd Grade

ELA: Acting out stories

Math: Beginning  
multiplication concepts

Social Studies: Map skills

Science: Using and  
analyzing data

Religion: Discover how God  
is everywhere and knows all  
things

## 4th Grade

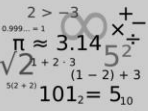

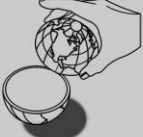




ELA: Working on correct verb tenses and Figurative language

Math: learning 2 digit multiplication

Social Studies: Learning about the importance of Hispanic Heritage  
Month

Religion: Learning about St. Francis

# 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>5th Grade:</b> Students will be able to evaluate expressions..</p> <p><b>6th Grade:</b> Students will be able to add, subtract, multiply and divide decimals.</p> <p><b>7th Grade:</b> Students will be able to solve real-world situations using markdown and markup .</p> <p><b>8th Grade:</b> Students will be able to interpret the equation <math>y = mx + b</math> as defining a linear function, whose graph is a straight line.</p> <p>*****All logins and passwords have been given to students. Please allow them 30 minutes a day to review skills on IXL.*****</p>	<p><b>5th:</b> Students will be able to build an understanding of characters in a story and study an author's word choice in a story. <i>Hound Dog True</i> by Linda Urban (read pgs. 74-94).</p> <p><b>6th:</b> Students will be able to understand and analyze text and graphic features, identify and analyze text structure and identify and understand figurative language.</p> <p><b>7th:</b> Students will be able to identify and analyze how setting affects characters' traits, motivations, and actions. Students will be working on their project for <i>The Offenders Saving the World While Serving Detention!</i>, by Jerry Kraft (posted on LMS).</p> <p><b>8th:</b> Students will be able to analyze literary criticism to gain insight into the literature. Students will be working on their project for <i>This is My America</i> by Kim Johnson (posted on LMS).</p> <p><b>Practice language arts skills on IXL. Read your chapter book.</b></p> 	<p><b>5th Grade:</b> Students will begin Week 3 Naturally Florida. They will explore natural disasters such as hurricanes, and tornadoes. They will also learn about Florida's natural resources.</p> <p><b>6th Grade:</b> Students will continue Chapter 2 The Beginning of Civilization.</p> <p><b>7th Grade:</b> Students will wrap up Chapter 2 and begin Chapter 3 Creating the Constitution.</p> <p><b>8th Grade:</b> Students will continue Chapter 1 Roots of the American People. They will wrap their Hispanic Heritage Month Projects.</p>	<p><b>5th grade:</b> students will be working on exploring matter, Laboratory, exploring matter, liquid, solid and solid</p> <p><b>6th grade:</b> students will be learning balance equations using the element table (period)</p> <p><b>7th grade:</b> students will be learning on the laboratory, exploring cells on plants</p> <p><b>8th grade:</b> students will be working on the PowerPoint presentation. Each student should show their work to the class.</p>	<p>All grades are learning about the Holy Rosary as a way to become closer to Jesus Christ and His mother. The students are exploring and experiencing this form of prayer through traditional and artistic experiences.</p> 

# SPECTACULAR SPECIALS



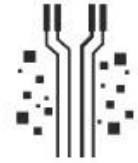
Mrs. Bharath



Mrs. Strudwick



Mr. Marcello



Mr. Abega

Art	Music	Physical Education	S.T.R.E.A.M
<p>For the month of October, both lower and upper Elementary will be exploring printmaking and weaving techniques to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.</p> <p>Middle school will be creating their own sketchbooks, after which they will practice still life drawing techniques.</p>	<p>This month we will be working on Latin American Music in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. Students are learning to sing a few new responses from the Spanish hymnal in Masses on Wednesday. They are all doing Body Percussion and Percussion Instrument activities to Latin American Music. Middle school students are studying the genres of Latin American Music.</p> <p>The Choir has started rehearsing and a new handbell choir will be forming this month.</p>	<p>In the month of October our PE classes will be covering soccer. Everything from how to handle the ball and dribble to all the skills necessary to play in a game. In health we will be discussing the history, rules, positions, and how a soccer ball is even made. In addition we'll also be learning about bullying.</p>	<p>Now that MAP testing is over, students can look forward to learning coding as well as 3D design for the month of October.</p>



## BISHOP MOORE LEGACY GALA TO HONOR FR. LEO

Fr. Leo will be honored at Bishop Moore Catholic High School's Annual Legacy Gala on Saturday, November 11, 2023, at Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel. If you are interested in purchasing tickets to attend, please visit this website <https://one.bidpal.net/bmclegacygala/welcome>, click on Purchase Tickets and you will be able to see the different ticket options available: individual tickets, full tables, and/or make a donation. At the end of the registration process, in the "Special Request Section," mention Fr. Leo's name. They will group us all together so we will be near Fr. Leo and able to celebrate with him.

## RAFFLE FOR TICKETS TO BISHOP MOORE LEGACY GALA!!

St. Andrew Church Planning Committee will have a raffle of two sets of 2 tickets and a one-night stay at the Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel the night of the party. The proceeds of the raffle will be used to cover the shortfall for Our Catholic Appeal.

**Tickets are \$10 each and will be sold at the church office and after all weekend Masses beginning October 7-8 and ending on October 31 at the Halloween Trunk or Treat night.** You can buy as many tickets as you would like. The winners will be announced after 6:30 PM All Saints Mass on Wednesday November 1. The value of two tickets and a stay at the hotel is \$559.

**If you purchase one of the above tickets, you will receive one (RUG) hour of volunteer hour towards the 10 needed for reenrollment**

**Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures**

**ENJOY 10% OFF  
your order!**

**CODE: F202310OFF**

EXPIRES: May 1, 2024

**[Redeem Now](#)**

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/>

Upcoming workshop dates:

Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. EDT  
Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. EDT

If you took the class last year, you do not have to retake this year!

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

You will receive 5 volunteer hours if you participate in the below:



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.

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# St. Andrew Catholic Church



## Trunk - or - Treat!

### CAR SIGN UP REGISTRATION FORM

Tuesday / October 31/ 6pm - 8:30pm

Church parking lot

### Event rules & guidelines for participating vehicles

- Please arrive no later than 5:00pm to get parked & decorate your trunk
- Vehicles must be decorated and ready to hand out candy by 6pm
- Please provide your own candy
- Vehicles must remain parked until the event is over at 8:30pm
- This is a family friendly activity
- Participants must sign up individually by October 25

For additional information contact Kathy at 321-693-0928 or [kmorgan@standrew-orlando.org](mailto:kmorgan@standrew-orlando.org)

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Please fill out bottom half and return to the church office by October 25

Family name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact person \_\_\_\_\_

phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

# 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

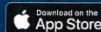
Your local police department or sheriff office receive copies of your tips automatically.

#### 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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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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# 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).

**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>



The below is information only, St. Andrew Catholic School has no information.

# IF YOU ARE BEHIND ON RENT OR AT-RISK OF EVICTION FROM YOUR HOME...

**Orange County  
Emergency Rental Assistance Program**  
may be able to pay

# UP TO \$20,000 IN PAST DUE RENT!

## You may be eligible if you...

- Are an Orange County resident\*, and
- Your household income is below the 80% area median income level, and
- You had a recent financial hardship or COVID hardship AND are at least one-month behind on rent OR
- Your rent increased by 10% or more from the prior lease to the new lease, and
- You can provide documentation to verify your eligibility.

*\*Program is NOT available to Orange County residents that live within the Orlando city limits.*

**MAXIMUM ASSISTANCE LIMITATIONS APPLY: i.e. \$20,000 between ERA1 and ERA2 programs, 18 month limit between all federal emergency rental programs, etc.**

For all eligibility requirements and to apply, visit [www.ocfl.net](http://www.ocfl.net) and click on  
Emergency Rental Assistance COVID-19 under Resources



Orange County  
**EMERGENCY RENTAL  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

