



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,

The Fundamental Role of Parents in Their Children's Academic Success

Children's academic success depends not only on what happens within the classrooms but also on the support and active involvement of parents in the educational process. The influence of parents is crucial in the academic development of their children from preschool to middle school. Here we explore how parents can significantly contribute to their children's academic performance and offer practical tips to strengthen this bond.

Active Support in Learning at Home

Parents can foster a conducive learning environment at home by creating a quiet, distraction-free space where children can focus on their schoolwork. Additionally, dedicating regular time to review assignments, assist with projects, and review lessons reinforces commitment to learning and enhances understanding of concepts.

Establishment of Effective Study Routines

Establishing regular study routines helps children develop healthy study habits and manage their time efficiently. Parents can collaborate in creating study schedules that fit their children's individual pace and needs. Encouraging consistency and accountability in adhering to these routines strengthens discipline and self-discipline.

Constructive Communication with Teachers

Open and constructive communication between parents and teachers is essential for children's academic success. Parents should establish a collaborative relationship with educators, participating in school meetings, staying informed about their children's academic progress, and expressing any concerns or questions they may have. This collaboration facilitates monitoring of academic performance and allows for timely addressing of any challenges or difficulties.

In summary, the role of parents in their children's academic success is pivotal. By providing active support in learning at home, establishing effective study routines, and maintaining open communication with teachers, parents can significantly contribute to their children's academic development and overall well-being on their educational journey.

Dr. Colon

Blessings,
Mrs. Gipson

St. Andrew Catholic School

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Sunday, March 3, 2024-Saturday, March 9, 2024

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Monday, March 4, 2024

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

- All 3rd trimester field trip forms sent home
- 2nd Trimester Parent Conference Continues
- Terra Nova Complete Battery Make-Up Testing for Grade 2nd-8th continues
- Step practice on Monday February 26, 2024, from 3:30-4:30pm in room 14. Please be ready with a new step or transition to show to the team. Students not picked up by 4:35pm will go to aftercare for a fee.
- CreativeU from 3:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. in Art room. PLEASE do not pick up students early!
- Basketball Open Gym for 5th-8th grade boys registered from 3:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium.

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

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

- SACS Breast Cancer T shirt Tuesday-Flyer below with information with prices for shirt.
- Mini cheer practice from 3:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Students not picked up by 4:50 p.m. will go to aftercare for a charge.
- 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.
- Basketball Open Gym for 5th-8th grade boys registered from 3:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium.

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

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

- Honor Roll School Mass at 8:00 a.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Church
- Pre-K4 Retreat
- 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, March 7, 2024

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

- SACS Throwback T-shirt Thursday
- Black History Dress Down Day
- Black History Program in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium at 1:00 p.m.-Families are invited
- 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.
- Basketball Open Gym for 5th-8th grade boys registered from 3:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium.

Friday, March 8, 2024

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

- Prayer with the Principal in St. Andrew Catholic Church at 2:45 p.m. Do not have to go through car line if your join.
- 2nd Trimester report cards emailed at 2:00 p.m.
- Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal from 3:30 .-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.
- Basketball Open Gym for 5th-8th grade boys registered from 3:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium.
- All 3rd trimester field trip forms due by 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 9, 2024

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 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

PreK4-1st Grade Newsletter

Pre-K4

Character Education: Curiosity, Compassion
Literacy: Vocabulary, Written Expression
Alphabet Knowledge: Aa, Ff, Pp, Hh, Gg, Nn
Math: Whole – Part Relationships
Religion: Easter

Kindergarten Pathways to Learning

Religion: The Light of Jesus
ELA: Check and make predictions, story elements, author's purpose, and review short vowels and consonant blends
Math: Count 20 - 50
Social Studies: Holidays Around the World
Science: Engineering Change

First Grade

ELA: r-controlled vowel ar, vocabulary, Topic and Central Idea, Reading fluency
Math: Addition using the Number Chart
Religion: Lent
Social Studies: I Am Responsible
Science: Effects of light on different kinds of materials

Important Dates

- March 4** Field trip forms are sent home
- March 8** Field trip forms are due until 6pm

“ Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you just; exult, all you upright of heart. “

- Psalms 32:11



2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade News

Important Dates

- **2nd Trimester Conferences continue in March**
- **Easter Break- No School March 25th through April 1st**

2nd Grade

ELA: /ou/ and /ow/ words, reading fiction, procedural paragraph

Math: Three-digit addition and subtraction

Social Studies: Scientists and Inventors

Science: Habitats

Religion: Learn about Jesus as our friend

3rd Grade

ELA: Identify why it's important to take care of the environment

Math: Division concepts

Social Studies: Discuss regions of the USA

Science: Discuss electric or magnetic interactions

Religion: Discuss how Jesus cured people

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

SPECTACULAR SPECIALS



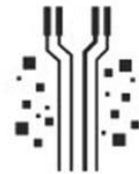
Mrs. Bharath



Mrs. Strudwick



Mr. Marcello



Mr. Abega

Art	Music	Physical Education	S.T.R.E.A.M
<p>For the month of March, Middle school and Upper Elementary will be looking at the work of artist Jackie Ormes and creating their own comic strips and paper dolls.</p> <p>Lower Elementary is learning about symbolism during the season of Lent, and for St. Patrick's Day. They will also be experimenting with various painting techniques.</p>	<p>During the month of March we will be singing Lenten songs for mass, with emphasis on reading notation and playing instruments.</p> <p>3rd - 5th Grade students will be discussing the effect that music plays in a story.</p> <p>Middle schoolers will discuss technology and how it has influenced how people access music in our world today.</p> <p>They will also be developing more performance skills as they sing and play instruments</p>	<p>In the month of March our PE classes will be covering Hockey and Kickball. In health we will be learning about mental/emotional health.</p>	<p>STREAM/Technology will be focusing on Neptune Navigate lessons.</p> <p>Cyberbullying</p> <p>What it is, how to recognize it, how to respond when you see it, and what to do if you are ever the target of a cyberbully.</p> <p>Media Literacy</p> <p>How to access, analyze and evaluate information along with cautions for the new world of AI.</p> <p>Privacy & Cyber Awareness</p> <p>Protecting your personal information and keeping your accounts secure.</p>

OPEN HOUSE



FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2024

FROM 12:45 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

We look forward to welcoming you!

Come tour our school and learn about our financial assistance opportunities.

**For more information,
please contact (407)295-4230
877 N. Hastings Street. Orlando , FL 32808
www.standrewcatholicsschool.org**

The QR code on the flyer must be scanned in order to sign up for the for the dance.

Father-Daughter Dance

All girl students and their significant male figures (father, stepfather, grandfather, uncle, brother, ect.) will have an evening of dancing, fun, and lasting memories.
All male figures MUST be (18years or older).

Friday
March 15th, 2024
7-9 PM

SACS
Gymnasium

The night will include:

Dancing, Light Refreshments, and Games.

\$15 Pre-sale Tickets On Sale From:

February 26 - March 8.



Tickets will be \$20 if paid at the door.

* Please refer all questions and concerns to
ejohnson@standrewcatholicschool.org (Mrs. Johnson) or
rhayes@atandrewcatholicschool.org (Mrs. Hayes).



Let's Lending a Helping Paw



3B is collecting supplies for Greyhound Advancement Center (GAC).

GAC is a dog training center in various Florida Correctional Institutions . This program uses inmates to train rescue dogs. It's a 2nd chance for dogs and inmates alike.

PLEASE BRING TO ROOM 8 THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

 *** SMALL MILKBONE TREATS**

*** PUPPERONI TREATS**

*** BEGGIN STRIPS**

  *** \$3 WALMART FLEECE BLANKETS**

 **MARCH 4TH-MARCH 15TH**



Friendly reminder that current families must have their 10 hours of Render Unto God (RUG) volunteer hours!

Pre-K4-8TH Grade

2024-2025 School Year Admissions OPEN

We are soaring academically, creatively, and spiritually.

Contact us to schedule a tour

📞 (407) 295-4230

📍 877 N. Hastings Street Orlando FL, 32808

✉️ admissions@standrewcatholicschool.org



Girls Soccer Coach Wanted-Please contact Coach Marcello at cmarcello@standrewcatholicschool.org if you are interested.

MS GIRLS SOCCER

✦ *Registration* ✦

FEB 19 - MARCH 8

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CMARCELLO@STANDREWCATHOLICSCHOOL.ORG

ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC SCHOOL



MIS BOYS BASKET BALL

**REGISTRATION
FEB 19 - MAR 8**

clubs.bluesombrero.com/cysorlando



Contact:

cmarcello@standrewcatholicschool.org



Breast Cancer Shirt

Available sizes remaining

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



FRONT



BACK

All Shirts are \$10

Please email sdescopain@standrewcatholicschool.org or rhayes@standrewcatholicschool.org

They can be worn on Tuesdays

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ARTREACH ORLANDO PRESENTS:

artists IN WONDERCAMP

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!



ARTISTS IN WONDERCAMP 2024

Artists in Wondercamp is a summer art program designed to introduce elementary, middle, and high school students to contemporary art through inquiry-based learning, open-ended discussions, hands-on studio art experiences, and interactions with professional artists. Each week students explore meaningful ideas and processes that help them investigate the world around them through the elements of art while, most importantly, having lots of fun. Different themes and media are explored with an emphasis on the process over the final product to allow creativity to flow freely. We'll begin each day with mindful body movement. Art is a messy business, so please dress appropriately!

Rising 2nd - 4th graders:

- June 17-21 and June 24-28

Rising 5th - 8th graders:

- July 8-12 and July 15-19

Rising 9th-11th graders:

- July 22-26

- Registration is \$225/Week
- Scholarships available!
- Earlybird Registration is \$200 before May 1st
- For rising 2nd - 11th graders
- 1000 Arlington Street
Orlando, FL 32805

Early Drop-off/Late Pick-up is Available

**FOR MORE INFO, VISIT WWW.ARTREACHORLANDO.ORG/WONDERCAMP
OR EMAIL SARAH AT SZIMMER@ARTREACHORLANDO.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 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?

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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

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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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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.
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.

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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/mhwglp5036xjyp/>

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>

