

# Wednesday e-Folder

*The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.*

*(Galatians 5:22)*



ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OCTOBER 19, 2016

## Veni, Sancte Spiritus – Come, Holy Spirit



Last week, our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade presented their “PENGUIN PLUSHIES” collection to the officers of the Salisbury Fire Department.

Our students brought in 265 stuffed animals for those young people whose families have been affected by fire tragedies.

Well done PENGUIN NATION!

## Prayer Request

This week we offer our prayers in thanksgiving for last weekend’s Baptismal celebration of both Mrs. McIntyre’s daughter Caroline, as well as Skylar and George Lynch’s little sister Lilly. Congratulations to the McIntyre and Lynch families!

## This Week in Penguin Nation

### Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

3:30pm - Golf @ Most Blessed Sacrament – Ocean Resorts (dismissal at 2:20pm)

4:00pm - Field Hockey vs. Washington Academy – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Ceremony (dismissal at 2:45pm)

### Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

3:25pm – Knights of Columbus Soccer Shootout – Athletic Field

### Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

8:30pm – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade “Coffee & Conversation with the Principal” – Parish Center Conference Room

9:15am–12:15pm – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Service Experience at PRMC & Anchorage Nursing Caring Center

3:30pm - Golf vs. Most Blessed Sacrament: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Ceremony (dismissal at 2:20pm)

### Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

4:00pm - Field Hockey at Sts. Peter & Paul (dismissal at 2:15pm)

4:00pm – Soccer at The Country School (dismissal at 2:15pm)

**Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**

2:30pm-6:00pm - H.S.A. Used Uniform Sale & Swap

4:00pm – Soccer vs. St. Michaels: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Ceremony (Dismissal at 2:50pm)

## ***Knights of Columbus Soccer Shootout (Ages 9-14)***



Students ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the first ever *Knights of Columbus Soccer Shootout*. This special competition will be held this Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> immediately afterschool on the Athletic Field. There is no cost to participate and winners will go on to the regional competition to represent SFdS.

## ***Volunteer Covenant Needed***

As a reminder, families are expected to complete the Volunteer Covenant Form that can be found on our FORMS TO PRINT section of our school website: <http://www.stfrancisdesales.net/forms-to-print.cfm>

## ***Dismissal Pick-up Time***

As a reminder, families are expected to pick-up their child at 3:10pm each day. If one of your children is involved in an afterschool activity, the remaining siblings are expected to be picked-up at 3:10pm.

## ***Hallo-Giving Parade Project (Pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)***

Our annual Hallo-Giving Parade Project is scheduled for Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. On this day, our students are invited to wear a Halloween costume to school. Once at school, students will decorate a pumpkin and design a greeting card with their Prayer Partner. And the festive part is that we will parade downtown to Anchorage Nursing Care Center and present these Halloween gifts to the residents. Given that the event takes place off campus, we ask families to sign a permission slip and waiver form for each child. Please select the following website link to access the form:

[http://www.stfrancisdesales.net/pdf/Field\\_Trip\\_Waiver\\_Indemnity\\_Form.pdf](http://www.stfrancisdesales.net/pdf/Field_Trip_Waiver_Indemnity_Form.pdf)

Also included in this special day is an old-fashioned hayride around campus. If you have any concerns about your child taking part in the hayride (allergic to straw or other concern), please contact Rob.

## ***H.S.A. Notes***

### **Bingo Night**

Thank you to Jenni Perunko and all of the volunteers who made our annual Bingo event such a success.

### **Trunk or Treat**

Host a car trunk at our Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 29th. This is a fun and safe way for our little Penguins to enjoy the holiday. Prizes awarded for Best Trunk and to the class with the most participating trunks. Sign-up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0b45aea82f4-sfds1>

### **Monster Mash Bash**

Our Middle School social event is themed "Field of Screams." Set-up, clean-up and donations items are needed for this event. Please select the following link for more info: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0b45aea82f4-ghost>

### **Uniform Swaps**

We still have two more uniform swaps this month. Swap dates are today (October 19th) from 2:30pm - 6:00pm and October 30th from 9:00am - 12:00pm.

### **Spirit Night at Adam's Taphouse Grille**

Join us on Tuesday, Nov. 1st from 4:00pm-9:00pm for another fun spirit night. Bring the family out for a delicious meal -- 20% of the proceeds come back to our H.S.A.! Simply print out the coupon posted on our Facebook group, *SFds HSA Penguin Pride*.

### **School Auction Committee Members Needed**

Planning for this year's auction is underway, and we need some committee members. Lots of opportunities to share your talents (and easily complete your volunteer hours). Please contact our Auction Chair, Stacy Leone, at [stacyleone12@gmail.com](mailto:stacyleone12@gmail.com) or [410-952-2015](tel:410-952-2015).

### **HSA Dues**

If you haven't yet paid your dues, please send in your \$15 check (preferred and payable to the SFds HSA) or cash.

## **ASP & B.S.A. Yard Sale**

The Appalachian Service Project Team and our parish Boy Scout Troop is once again hosting the annual yard sale which is scheduled for Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. In preparation for this treasure hunt, the ASP & BSA will gladly take your unwanted treasures! Please, consider any donations.



The following dates and times will allow you to drop-off your donated items:

Tuesday, October 25 and Tuesday, November 1 from 7:00am - 8:30am at the Scout house (will have help to unload);

Thursday, November 3 from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at the Parish Center (will have help to unload);

Friday, November 4 (times might vary).

## **Fall Sports – Rosary Rally & Awards Dinner (Grades 5-8)**



As the concluding event to our fall sports season, we have arranged Thursday, November 3rd as our end of the season family event. The agenda for the evening include a "Rosary Rally" at 6:00pm in the church, a pizza dinner at 6:30pm in the school hall cafeteria and then an awards ceremony to follow.

Hopefully by our combining all three events on one night - Rosary Rally, Awards Ceremony and Dessert Reception (now pizza dinner) – life for your family might feel a little less complicated. Looking ahead, please expect an email from your Team Parent asking for an RSVP head count from each family.

## Social Media and School Notes

There is so much good news to share about **PENGUIN NATION**. And did you know that much of this news is shared by way of Social Media? So *Like us Facebook* and *Follow us on Twitter @PenguinPride50*.

Also, enjoy the ponderings and musings of a life in **PENGUIN NATION** by perusing our weekly *School Notes* article. The following link will allow access to these articles: <http://www.stfrancisdesales.net/school-notes.cfm>

## Counseling Corner



During the week of October 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, SFdS will honor the nationally recognized program **Red Ribbon Week**. This week is a time to educate our students about growing up safe and making healthy choices in life, as well as pledging to be free from substance use. Members of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class have been chosen to serve as the on campus leaders to promote this awareness program. Accordingly, a cadre of these students will address each classroom with an age appropriate message on the significance of this week. As a means to honor *Respect for Life* month, our Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will discuss being safe and making healthy choices and our 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades will examine ways in which to grow up safe, healthy and drug free. During the upcoming week, the students will offer a special prayer intention: “to pray for all students to find the strength to make healthy choices”. And as Friday arrives, our middle school students will learn about the power of refusal skills and will view persuasive videos from the website: [www.naturalhigh.org](http://www.naturalhigh.org). These videos highlight athletes, actors and musicians that have made the choice to stay drug free and have chosen a natural high in their field. And lastly, during Friday’s recesses, the students will be invited to have a “Walk away from Drugs” stroll around the campus grounds.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [tgabbard@sfdscs.org](mailto:tgabbard@sfdscs.org)

## Veterans Day



We would like to invite any active, inactive, reservist or retired members of the five branches of our military and their families to a special prayer service event. As a faith community who believe in the ideals of peace, justice and freedom, we are grateful for those who have responded to the call of duty to protect these ideals. As a small gesture of appreciation, we would like to recognize the courageous commitment of current and former members of the United States Armed Forces on Friday, November 11th at 8:30am in the SFdS church.

As a means to add further honor to the day, we invite family members to email scanned photos of their loved ones who have served. Please send those photos to Rob Costante at [robcostante@sfdscs.org](mailto:robcostante@sfdscs.org). Thank you for your service to our country and thank you in advance for your presence at our Veteran's Day prayer service event.



## ***Flu Mist Vaccine***

Just a reminder that the Health Department no longer provides the Flu-Mist vaccine to any schools. That said, as we begin Flu season, please consider scheduling an appointment for your child to receive his/her Flu shot.

## ***Asbestos Report***

In accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, the Management Plan for Asbestos Containing Materials is available for your review within five working days of receiving a request for inspection.

## ***Classics For A Cause***

The annual Classics for a Cause concert sponsored by the Salisbury Wicomico County Arts Council is scheduled for next Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm and will be held at Asbury Methodist Church. This special event showcases musical youth who are supporting youth in support of the arts. Our very own Erin Welch (Class of 2017), is one of the participating musicians. Adult tickets are \$10 and students are \$5.

## ***Reasons to Celebrate***



Our 2nd grade recently completed a unit on geographic maps and used their new skills to map out and travel down to see our Mayor and to the Library.

As an added keepsake from their trip, Mayor Day was kind enough to present each student with a “key to the city”!

*“The Rosary is a school of prayer. The Rosary is a school of faith.”*  
**Pope Francis**