

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 5, 2016

Veni, Sancte Spiritus – Come, Holy Spirit

This month's focus on the **Fruits of the Holy Spirit** is **Joy**. We find the gift of joy referenced throughout the Bible. Each day throughout the month, the 8th grade will share a passage of Scripture which speaks of the joy that comes with a relationship with our Lord. The following two verses were offered during Community Meeting this week:

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete."

John 15: 11

"So singers and dancers, all my springs are in you."

Psalms 87: 7

Prayer Request

This week we offer our prayers to Karen Mullins, our former Music teacher, who is experiencing complications with advancing Idiopathic Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (IPAH). At this point, Karen is under evaluation to determine if she is a viable recipient for an organ transplant.

The following link will offer you some insightful information on this disease:

<http://www.healthline.com/health-slideshow/idiopathic-pulmonary-arterial-hypertension>

This Week in Penguin Nation

Thursday, October 6th

Emergency Preparedness Drill

NO AFTERCARE SERVICES AVAILABLE

4:00pm - Field Hockey vs. Sts. Peter & Paul (dismissal at safe staging site)

4:00pm - Soccer at Salisbury Christian School (dismissal at safe staging site)

Monday, October 10th

Columbus Day Holiday - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Tuesday, October 11th

4:00pm - Soccer at The Salisbury School (dismissal at 2:50pm)

4:00pm - Field Hockey vs. Crisfield (dismissal at 2:50pm)

Wednesday, October 12th

3:30pm - Golf at The Country School: Talbot Country Club (dismissal at 2:00pm)
Interim Report Cards Sent Home

Thursday, October 13th

6:30pm - Purse Bingo: Parish Center (doors open at 5:30pm; first game at 6:30pm)

Friday, October 14th

NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences: 8am to 4pm

Lockdown, Evacuation & Reunification

Tomorrow we will hold our annual Lockdown, Evacuation and Reunification Drill. This Emergency Preparedness drill invites our entire community to prepare and respond to a possible critical incident that might occur and require us to shelter in place, evacuate and eventually reunify our students with their families. Notification of this drill will occur by way of School Messenger and will direct parents to pick-up their child at either Bethany Lutheran Church on Camden Avenue or the Wicomico County Health Department on Carroll Street. Please note that aftercare services will **NOT** be available on this day. Please take the time to review the power-point presentation that was emailed home last Friday.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Next Friday, October 14th, school will be closed so as to offer parents an opportunity to meet with their child's teacher. Directions to sign-up for a conference will be emailed later this week.

H.S.A. Notes**Uniform Sales & Swaps**

This month we will host three uniform swaps as you prepare your children's school attire for the Winter Uniform (which begins on Tuesday, November 1st). The upcoming swap dates are today (October 5th) from 2:30pm-6:00pm; October 19th from 2:30pm-6:00pm; and October 30th from 9:00am-12:00pm.

Bingo Night

Our annual Bingo event is scheduled for Thursday, October 13th with the first Bingo game starting at 6:30pm. The fast paced excitement of this evening is certain to please all who attend this fun-filled event! Food, soft drinks, beer and wine will all be available for purchase. Please register online at www.sfdsauction.com. Click [HERE](#) for more details.

Bingo Volunteers Needed

Are you looking for volunteer hours and can only help out at night, well volunteering at Bingo Night is the perfect opportunity for you! Please select the following link to sign up to help on Thursday, October 13th: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084aa8aa22a02-basket>
Any questions, please contact our Bingo Night chairperson Jenni Perunko at jenniandp@comcast.net.

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. Please select the following link for further details and to sign-up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0b45aea82f4-sfds1>

Penguin Patron Ticket

As you plan your attendance at this year's HSA events, consider saving money and purchase a *Penguin Patron Ticket* (which includes admission for two at the Bingo event)? Click [HERE](#) for more details.

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.

Fantastic Friday

Thank you to all those parents who volunteered during the Reading & Math Carnival. The Prayer Partner student groups thoroughly enjoyed their special Harry Potter event!

In addition, we would like to also thank all those who attended last Friday's Fellowship Cookout event. A good time was certainly had by all in attendance. A joyous note of thanks to April Brilliant, Manda Ruark, Marta Trice and Charlie Moore for all of their planning efforts to make the evening such a community building event. As well, a special thank you to Knights of Columbus members, Jerry Raimo and Charles Doherty for serving as grille masters for the evening.

Spirit Night Thank You

We would also like to thank everyone who attended the *1400 South Spirit Night* fundraiser on Tuesday. In addition, we would like to extend our appreciation to Eric Johnston for organizing and promoting this family friendly event. As well, we are proud of our Girl Scout troop whose bake sale proceeds earned \$320 in support of the Catholic Charities program at the Seton Center in Princess Anne.

Rescheduled 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 now be held on Friday, October 21st immediately afterschool on the Athletic Field. There is no cost to participate and winners from our parish will go on to the regional competition to represent St. Francis de Sales.

Counseling Corner – Parent Teacher Conference Day

Next Friday during our Parent Teacher Conference Day, I will be available to meet with any family. Simply email me at tgabbard@sfdscs.org to arrange an appointment.

STEM, Stars and the Stratosphere

This Friday, October 7th at 7:00pm in Guerrieri Hall 101, WOR-WIC Community College welcomes NASA Astronaut Ricky Arnold to their campus where he will discuss his life and working in a STEM career. In 2009, he was part of the Space Shuttle Discovery flight team traveling to the International Space Station and completing two spacewalks. This presentation is free and open to the public.

Horizons Dodgeball Tournament at Crown

Horizons, is a unique nonprofit organization that strives to teach students from economically disadvantaged families to thrive in spite of challenging circumstances. The program's approach to learning equips students with a strong motivation to learn the skills necessary to realize their full potential. Due to various hardships, Crown Sports Center understands many local children may never have a chance to attend camp or play on a sports team which led to the beginning of the Crown Kid Fund. The Crown Kids Fund is a non-profit

organization that grants sports and camp scholarships for economically disadvantaged children in our area.

In support of the Horizon's program, Crown is hosting a Dodgeball Tournament fundraiser on Friday evening, October 14th. Check in is at 5:30pm and games begin at 6:00pm. The deadline to register is this Friday, October 7th. The cost is \$200 a team. Interested teams may register at www.crownsportscenter.com. For More Information Contact Cole Lacey: colelacey@crownsportscenter.com.

Reasons to Celebrate

Our faith teaches us to care for all of God's creation. And in honor of Tuesday's Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, our school community shared the gift of their four legged friend as their special friends received a unique blessing from Fr. Solomon.



“While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart.”

St. Francis of Assisi