



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).

Jello St. Andrew Catholic Community,

Dr. Cecy Ann Colon

Returning to the study routine after the Christmas holidays can be a challenge.



Here are some simple tips for parents to help their children:

Gradual Routines: Introduce study schedules gradually. Don't change everything at once. Start with short study sessions and gradually increase them.

Study Space: Ensure they have a quiet and tidy place to study. Remove distractions and have everything they need within reach.

Personal Care: Remind them of the importance of taking care of themselves. Good nutrition, sufficient rest, and some exercise are essential for good performance.

Clear Goals: Help them set realistic goals. These can be small weekly goals or longer-term goals to keep them focused.

Breaks and Rewards: Plan breaks during study sessions. Also, set small rewards after completing tasks to motivate them.

Open Communication: Talk to them about how they feel. Listen to their concerns and help them find solutions together.

Active Participation: Show interest in their academic progress. Review their assignments, ask questions about what they are learning, and offer your support.

Remember that every child is different, so tailor these tips to their needs. With patience and support, the transition from holidays to study can be smoother and more positive.

Sunday, January 7, 2024-Saturday, January 13, 2024

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday, January 7, 2024</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monday, January 8, 2024</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter Assessments Begins After school tutoring begins Step practice in room 14 from 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Students not picked up by 4:35 p.m. will go to aftercare for a fee. Middle School girls' volleyball practice from 3:30 -5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tuesday, January 9, 2024</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.-6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wednesday, January 10, 2024</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday, January 11, 2024</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tentative middle school girls' volleyball game in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium. More information is coming soon. 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. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday, January 12, 2024</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer with the Principal at 2:45 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Church K-5th 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. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Saturday, January 13, 2024</u></p>
<p style="color: red;">Have you checked out Our Digital Resources?</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Please make sure that your email addresses are up to date with the school office.</p>	



can be found on our school website at <https://standrewcatholicsschool.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 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

Focus of the Week:

NURSERY AND RHYMES

WORD: Culture

CHARACTERS EDUCATION: Cooperation, intentionality

LITERACY: Vocabulary, alliteration

LETTER KNOWLEDGE: Rr, Tt, li

MATH: Geometry, Spatial Sense

RELIGION: Lent

Kindergarten

Pathways to Learning

Religion: Hands are Good

ELA: Central Idea, review inflection/s/, consonants /w/ and /j/, sights words and sentences

Math: Subtraction sentences

Social Studies: Engineering Needs

Science: Seasons

"This is the day that the Lord has made let us rejoice and be glad in it."

-Psalm 118:24

First Grade

ELA: Sight words, reading fluency and intonation, verbs, writing sentences

Math: Related facts and problem solving using models

Religion: Jesus Shows us He is Good

Social Studies: Festivals and Holidays, Maps

Science: Investigating Sound Features

Important Dates

Jan. 8 MAP Testing begins

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

"You will seek me and and find me when you seek me with all your heart. "

-Jeremiah 29:13



2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade News

Important Dates

- **Monday, January 15th-
No School (MLK Day)**

2nd Grade Happy New Year!

ELA: Narrative paragraph,
set New Year goals

Math: Review addition and
subtraction concepts

Social Studies: Review

Science: Review Science
concepts

Religion: Learn about the
Epiphany

3rd Grade

ELA: Identify why it's
important to grow food crops

Math: Multiplication concepts

Social Studies: Discuss the
Constitution and its purpose

Science: Discuss
measurements of objects in
motion

Religion: Discover how God
created people to share His life

4th Grade

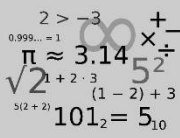

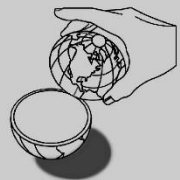



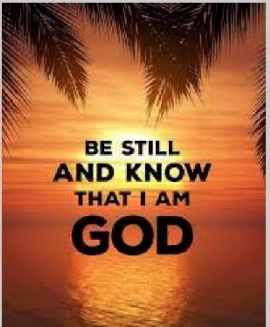
ELA: Working on understanding themes, conflict, plot, setting, and
characters in a story

Math: Introduction to Division

Social Studies: Learning about the importance St. Augustine and
about the day of the dead holiday

Religion: Learning about All Saints day

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<p>Mathematics</p> 	<p>English Language Arts</p> 	<p>Social Studies</p> 	<p>Science</p> 	<p>Religion</p> 
<p>Happy New Year!</p> <p>5th grade: Students will use long division to find quotients.</p> <p>6th grade: Students will represent real-world problems involving ratios and rates with tables and graphs.</p> <p>7th grade: Students will solve two-step equations.</p> <p>8th grade: Students will identify and represent functions.</p> <p>***All logins and passwords have been given to students for IXL and Ray Dass. Please allow your child time to work on them everyday.</p> <p>30 minutes on IXL 30 minutes on Ray Dass</p>	<p>Happy New Year!</p> <p>Welcome back everyone!</p> <p>All students will be preparing for Terra Nova by completing a diagnostic test on IXL to review and reinforce our reading and writing skills.</p> <p>Practice language arts skills on IXL. Read your chapter book.</p> 	<p>Happy New Year!!</p> <p>5th Grade: Students will be learning about ancient civilizations and tribes. They will compare cultural aspects, as they differed by region.</p> <p>6th Grade: Students are reading chapter 3 The Fertile Crescent. They will learn how the Fertile Crescent sustained the first known civilization. They will also discuss Sumer and their class system in which priests and kings held power. <u>Students will have a Chapter 1 Quiz on Monday 1/8.</u></p> <p>7th Grade: Students have wrapped up chapter 3, Creating the Constitution. <u>Students will have an exam on Monday 1/8. Students should study their notes and the Kahoot daily.</u></p> <p>8th Grade: Students have finished Chapter 2 The Age of Exploration. <u>Students will have an exam on Monday 1/8. Students should study their notes and they Kahoot daily.</u></p>	<p>5th grade: students will be working on exploring matter, Laboratory, exploring mass vs weight, they will been working on a chat comparing mass and weight Students also will been learning on valume and mass</p> <p>6th grade: students will be learning on working on equations using $w = FX D = joules J$ Also $W = Power over Time$ Student will continue learning on equations using the above formulas we are going to continue with same objective</p> <p>7th grade: students will been learning on meiosis reproduction ADN, will continue with the reproductive and learning on the different type of cells during reproductive also they will been learning on vertebrate and invertebrate</p> <p>8th grade: students will be learning about the surface and geography, discovering the major rivers in the world and also the higher mountains in North and South America.</p> <p>Students will be working on a project on Black Saint, every class will been working on this project</p>	<p>Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!</p> <p>This week all grades took time reviewing Mass responses to be good role to our prayer buddies.</p> <p>Students reflected on Centering prayer and selected a sacred word for themselves that reflects their personal goal for the new year. Students will use this word as a focus point during this calming form of prayer.</p> 

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**Each family is asked 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





**Witness the
Fitness**

Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30

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



Breast Cancer Shirt

Available sizes remaining

Youth Small- 3
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Adult Large- 2
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

No returns, refunds or exchanges once order placed.

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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.



WE NEED:



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



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.

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Anonymous or Non-Anonymous

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Convenient

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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

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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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<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>

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

