

November 2, 2017

You are kind, Lord, so good and merciful. You protect ordinary people, and when I was helpless, you saved me and treated me so kindly that I don't need to worry anymore. – Psalm 116:5-7 (CEV)

November

- * **1** – Reminder Nov 1 - March 1 winter uniform – no shorts except on dress down days
- * **3** – Report cards sent home
- * **3** – Grade 4th & 5th Parent lunch 12-12:25 pm (come and join your child for lunch)
- * **9** – Thanksgiving Feast 11:30
- * **10** – **No School** – Parent/ Teacher conferences
- * **15** – Honor Roll certificates –recognition during Chapel service
- * **16** – Coffee with Head of School – Grades 3-5 8:30 am
- * **17** – Open House 9 am
- * **22–24** – **School Closed** – Thanksgiving Break
- * **28** – School Board Meeting 6:30 pm

December

- * **14-15** – PTO Holiday Shop
- * **15** – Middle School Holiday Dance 7- 9:30pm
- * **20** – Christmas Program – **Noon Dismissal**
- * **21 – Jan 1** – **School Closed** – Christmas Break

Please Send Back Required Forms with your child to their Home Room Teacher

Attachments

Basketball schedule
School Directory
Box Top collection sheet
December Lunch menu

PTO

Box Tops for Education

Thank you to everyone who has been clipping and submitting Box Tops for Education! We collected 1,006 Box Tops in just one month! As a result, Box Tops will be sending the school a check for \$100.60! Just imagine how much money we can earn if we **KEEP ON CLIPPING!** Attached to today's newsletter is a collection sheet to "harvest" more Box Tops. Your child can turn in Box Tops to their teacher OR they can be put into the Box Tops collection bin by the school gym. Please submit Box Tops on either the collection sheet or in a Ziploc bag. Thanks for supporting Box Tops! Questions? Contact Paula Staudt at paulastaudt@verizon.net or 443-716-8179.



Used uniform information:

Looking for a particular size/style? Contact PTO: Aimee Gomberg aimeegomberg@gmail.com

Remember you can donate/exchange any snug uniforms too. Let us store those outgrown summer shorts and short sleeve shirts for you!

Sports

Winter Basketball begins next week!

Monday, **November 6th** for boys 5th - 8th grade
Tuesday, **November 7th** for girls 5th - 8th grade
All practices go from 3pm until 4:30 per schedule attached.



Basketball Practice Schedule

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Mon & Wed Boys/Tues & Thurs Girls

Basketball Game Schedule

- **Nov 28th:** St. Martin's vs School of Incarnation – Home @ 4pm Girls, 5:00 pm Boys
- **Nov 30th:** St. Martin's vs Key– Home @ 4pm Boys, 5:00 pm Girls

School News

Report cards will be coming home with students grades 1-8 on Friday November 3. For grades 3-8 the Head of School Honor Roll and Honor Roll certificates will be handed out at Chapel service on November 15th, parents welcome!

SQUARE 1 ART ORDER FORMS DUE BY FRIDAY!

Your child's artwork can now be reproduced on over 40 unique and useful keepsakes ready to purchase during our Square 1 Art fundraiser. What a perfect gift for that special family member or hard-to-buy for person!! Three ways to order – Online, Paper Order and Phone Orders. A portion of the sales go to the Art Department for art supplies and materials. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Thoemke – cthoemke@stmartinsonline.org.

Thanksgiving Feast is coming! The Thanksgiving Feast is scheduled for **Thursday, November 9th at 11:30**. This year marks our 28th year! The class assignments and details were sent home last week. The volunteer form and turkey sign up is attached. Still looking for a few cooked turkeys! We couldn't do this event without all of you - so thank you!

After-school STEM Enrichment: Anyone in K-3 interested in a fun and enriching after-school S.T.E.M. club! This semester will be all about designing, building, testing, and rebuilding. Students will be challenged to build things from castle drawbridges to mechanical artists and everything in between. In addition to science/STEM skills, we will also focus on collaboration, teamwork, and cooperation.

Taught by our own teacher Ms. Bobi Glava through student-centered, hands-on labs and activities, the S.T.E.M. club will meet for 4 weeks Mondays after-school from 3-4pm. The first Class is Monday, November 13th the last class is Monday December 4th. Cost: \$80 per child, siblings \$70 per child. Please register at [http://www.hands-onlearningservices.com/AfterSchool St-Martins_registration.html](http://www.hands-onlearningservices.com/AfterSchool_St-Martins_registration.html).

Admission Office

IMPORTANT HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR 8th GRADERS

Please do not wait until the last minute to fill out your applications to high school! Magnet program applications close at noon on **November 30th** and private school applications are due in **December**.

Please submit the following to the Admissions Office as soon as possible -- student transcript request and teacher recommendations (if specific subject teacher is not required by the school please indicate which teacher you would like to complete them). Please also complete a one page sheet listing your community service hours, activities and awards from 6th-8th grades.

Wishing you all the best in this process! Please contact Mrs. Kelly Peenstra if you have any questions.

OPEN HOUSE

Please invite your neighbors, friends, and church members to our upcoming open house on **Nov. 17th**, private tours also available. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kelly Peenstra via email kpeenstra@stmartinsonline.org or by phone at 410-263-8016.

Extended Day – Anyone utilizing our Extended Day drop-in program please fill out the ED form and return to the front office. Thank you!

After school ED staff contacts cell phone:

- * Ashley Riley 443-370-7357
- * Rachel Sitar 410-353-4851



Field Trips

- **November 8th:** 7th Grade to Hispanic Flamenco Ballet 8 - 2:30pm