

November 30, 2017

The Lord will always lead you. He will satisfy your needs in dry lands. He will give strength to your bones. You will be like a garden that has much water. You will be like a spring that never runs dry. – Isaiah 58:11 (ICB)

Important Dates

November

- * **30 - 12/1**– SGA bake sale during both lunch periods

December

- * **1**–Pre-k and K Pajama Night 6-87pm in the Fellowship room
- * **8**–Middle School Holiday Dance 7- 9:30pm
- * **14-15**– PTO Holiday Shop
- * **20**–Christmas Program – *Noon Dismissal*
- * **21 – Jan 1**–*School Closed* – Christmas Break

**Merry
Christmas**



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

Attachments

Gift Card order form
Box Top Collection Sheet DEC
January Lunch menu
Books for Bill Navy tixs reading program

PTO



Gift Card Fundraiser is ON!

Support the PTO by purchasing your holiday gift cards through St. Martin's. Many retailers are available so plan ahead for holiday shopping and gifts. Order form is attached and are due by **tomorrow!** You can also register at www.shopwithscrip.com if you would like to place your order online. When registering online use enrollment code: 677CF68315136. Payments are due with your order forms. Gift cards will be available for pick up at the school office during the week of December 11th. Please contact Carly Shilling with any questions at 410-615-2462 (call/text) or email shillingcarly@gmail.com. Happy Shopping!

Holiday Gift Shop

The PTO is looking for volunteers for our Holiday Shop on December 14th and 15th. Morning and afternoon shifts available. Please reach out to Mary Flynn if interested: redaries@verizon.net.



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.



Sports

Basketball Practice Schedule

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Mon & Wed Girls/Tues & Thurs Boys

Basketball Game Schedule

- **Nov 30th:** St. Martin's vs Key– Home @ 4pm Boys, 5pm Girls
- **Dec 5th:** St. Martin's vs AACs – Home @ 4pm Boys, 5pm girls
- **Dec 7th:** St. Martin's vs Calverton - 4pm Girls, 5pm boys

Admission Office

IMPORTANT HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR 8th GRADERS

Please do not wait until the last minute to fill out your applications to high school! Most private school applications are due in December and January.

Please submit the following to the Admissions Office as soon as possible -- student transcript request and teacher recommendation forms (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! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Kelly Peenstra via email kpeenstra@stmartinsonline.org or by phone at 410-263-8016.

OPEN HOUSE

Please invite your friends to our next open house on Friday, January 26th @ 9am. Private tours are also available.

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

School News

SGA Bake Sale

Send kids in with their dollars on **November 30th** and **December 1st**. SGA will be holding a bake sale during lunch on these two days. Funds are being raised for decorations for the Middle School Winter dance. The SGA sponsored Middle School Christmas Dance "**Winter Wonderland**" is planned for **December 8th from 7-9:30pm**. Please contact Ms. Riley with questions.

Spelling Bee

Congratulations to our middle school class spelling bee winners! They will compete for title of school champion in December. The winner will move on to the county bee.

6th: Jack Shenk, August Staudt

7th: Julia Dickinson, Lucy Beardmore

8th: RC Crow, Jack Stensland



Annual Giving

If you would like your annual giving donation to be included in your 2017 taxes, donation will need to be turned in by 12/30/17. Donations can be made online by following the link: <http://stmartinsonline.org/online-giving/>. If you prefer a donation by check – please make the check out to St. Martin's Lutheran School and write Annual Giving in the memo. Thank you!

Dress Code

Reminder dress shorts or capri pants cannot be worn between December 1 - March 1

SPIRIT WEAR SALE

We had trouble with our vendor so the St. Martin's spirit wear online store will be postponed until January 2018. Thank you for your understanding!



Call for Coats

We are collecting any seldom used or outgrown coats for donation to the Lighthouse Shelter. Look for the two drop off bins located near the front office and Extended day pick-up. Warm up someone's winter!



Field Trips

- **January 8th:** K – 3rd grade to Children's Theater in Annapolis 9:30