

# NEWSNOTE

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear SME Family,

Happy New Year! I hope you had a blessed and rejuvenating holiday season with your family and friends, and I am eager to begin a new year full of excitement, growth, and opportunity with all of you!

This Friday, our school community will celebrate our monthly Christian Witness Mass and highlight the trait of appreciation. One may find it difficult to be truly appreciative in today's all too filtered world, which we may view too much through the lenses of social media. We can be bombarded with images and videos that present a flawless version of lives others seem to lead, which may result in the development of the vices of jealousy and envy. To intentionally choose happiness and a joyful life, it is important to grow the Christian virtue of gratitude and an attitude of appreciation.

We should be thankful for everything God sends, as well as all He takes away. When He gives to our neighbor, we should rejoice for that person, rather than view his or her gift negatively. Also, we need to remember to say, "Thank you," to our families, friends, teachers, and students - all those who help lift us up. We give praise to God and thank Him each day, as we find satisfaction in each little gift, even if we may desire something. We live our lives with a noticeable and encompassing joy that reflects how appreciative we are for all we have.

On Friday, January 5, our school will recognize some members of our SME community who embodied these characteristics throughout the month of December. I look forward to celebrating with many of you on Friday, and I genuinely appreciate each and every member of our St. Mary's family, and all that you do to enrich my life and help grow our school.

Have a wonderful week,  
Mr. Olejniczak



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Fri. 1/5** - Christian Witness Mass, 8:30
- **Fri. 1/12 - 10:45 Early Dismissal:** Staff PD, NO AFTERSCHOOL CARE AVAILABLE
- **Mon. 1/15 - NO SCHOOL** - MLK Jr.
- **Thurs. 1/18** - Pre-K & K Open House 6-7:30
- **Fri. 1/19** - NJHS Induction Mass, 8:30am
- **Sun. 1/28 - Sat 2/3** - Catholic Schools Week!
- **Wed. 1/31** - PR2 Upload Gr. K-8
- **Thurs. 2/1** - K-8 Open House 6-8:00pm
- **Fri. 2/2** - Christian Witness & Distinguished Graduate Mass, 8:30
- **Wed. 2/14** - Ash Wednesday Mass, 8:30
- **Mon 2/19 - Fri. 2-23 - NO SCHOOL** - Mid-Winter Recess
- **Tues. 2/27** - Spring Picture Day
- **Wed. 2/28** - Graduation/Sport./Club Picture Day

## BY THE NUMBERS

We offer a wide variety of opportunities to support SME and will be changing things up this year with our offerings.

We understand that every fundraiser will not be for everyone, but we do appreciate any & all support you can give!

Year round ways to help:

- ◇ Boxtops 4 Education  
*Just scan in the app to earn!*  
*We've earned \$59.10 since July!*  
*5th Grade is in the lead with the most boxtops scanned @ 186!!*
- ◇ RaiseRight Program
- ◇ Tops in Education Program  
*Just link your bonus card*

## ANGEL CHOIR

### Christmas Eve Mass



## HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Happy 2024!

As we kick off a new year, let's come together for an HSA meeting and discuss all the happenings coming soon at SME.

We hope to see everyone on Jan. 24th at 6 p.m. in the gym.

### January Events:

- 8th: Spirit Wear Dress Down Day
- 24th: HSA Meeting

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RAISERIGHT



Walk-in office hours:  
**Tuesday** 9:00-12:00  
**Wednesday** 12:30-3:30  
**Friday:** 9:30-12:00

For a complete list of participating retailers visit the shop with scrip website: <https://www.raiseright.com/brands>

Here is a quick link to the order form:  
[RR Order Form](#)

Reminder: Families earn 100% of rebates up to \$250 and an 80/20 split thereafter.

Creating an online account:  
[RaiseRight.com](https://www.raiseright.com)

If you have any questions, please email [raiseright@smeschool.com](mailto:raiseright@smeschool.com).

Our team is here for you!



CALENDAR CLUB

The December winners list has been posted to the NewsNote tab of our school website.

Congratulations to all of our 2023 winners and may your luck continue into the new year!

MEGA RAFFLE

Who Do You Know?

As we prepare for the upcoming Mega Raffle, we are reaching out to the wonderful families in our school for support. If your family has any connections or if you know of any businesses or individuals who might be interested in contributing, we would be incredibly grateful for any raffle donations. These contributions can come in various forms such as gift cards, merchandise, services, or any other items suitable for our raffle. Your support not only enhances the excitement of our event, but also plays a crucial role in achieving our fundraising goals. If you have any leads please contact the Mega Raffle Committee at [megaffle@smeschool.com](mailto:megaffle@smeschool.com) for an official donation/sponsorship letter.

NURSE NOTES

Please take a moment to review this months Nurse Notes attached electronically today!

RE-REGISTRATION

Registration for the 24-25 school year is just around the corner!

All current SME families will receive their registration packet(s) before they are available to the general public at our open houses.

Only the prompt return of your completed packet will guarantee your spot for the 24-25 school year.

Our open houses for the public are scheduled for 1/18 for pre-k & k and 2/1 for all grades.

We look forward to another year with all of you!

PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

Do you have family, friends, co-workers or neighbors with pre-k or kindergarten age children? Spread the word that SME is *the* place to be & invite them to join us for our upcoming open house!



8TH GRADE INFO



Transcripts were sent to students 1st-3rd choice area catholic high schools on Wednesday, December 13th with the upload of our first report card.

STAY IN THE KNOW

- Save the Date:** 3/1 CW Mass, 8:30
- Make Note:** 3/15 10:45 Early Dismissal: Staff PD Day
- Make Note:** 3/20 MP2 Report Card Upload
- Save the Date:** 3/22 Mother/Son Dance 6-8pm
- Save the Date:** 3/28 Living Stations
- Make Note:** 3/29 No School - Good Friday
- Make Note:** 4/1-4/8 No School



# NOTES FROM THE NURSE



Dara Sirianni RN, BSN



January 2024

## Water Bottles

Please be sure to fully disassemble and remove all pieces of your child's water bottles during the washing process.

Mold is attracted to those dark wet areas and can buildup quickly. The best way to deal with a moldy water bottle is to simply throw it out.

Once mold has started growing it is hard to remove.

Drinking from a moldy water bottle can and will cause illness.

## Covid

Any student who tests positive for Covid must isolate for 5 days and can return on day 6 with the recommendation they wear a mask days 6-10.

Day zero is the day you test positive (no symptoms)

or

The first day of symptoms.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this.

## Physicals

As a reminder it is a NYS Law for all students wishing to participate in a school sport to have a physical submitted annually.

To avoid delays in sports participation I recommend sending in a copy of your child's physical as soon as they have one done.

This is also good practice for students who have mid or late school year appointments.

Many offices are now requesting a fee for copies made after the scheduled appointments.

Be sure to ask while you are there to avoid these fees.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

- Betty Crocker™ Bluey Fruit Snacks
- Carmella Creeper™ Zombie Monster Cereal
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Cereal Go Box
- Cocoa Puffs™ Cereal Go Box
- Golden Grahams™ Cereal Go Box
- Old El Paso™ Sheet Pan Dinner Starter Kits
- Old El Paso™ Stacked Queso Crunch Kit
- Pillsbury™ Banana Bread Batter
- Pillsbury™ Cookie Dough Poppins
- Pillsbury™ Dinner Roll Style Swirls
- :ratio™ Dairy Drinks
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles® Cereal

## IMMUNE SUPPORT

- Airborne® Capsules\*
- Airborne® Chewable Tablets\*
- Airborne® Effervescent Tablets\*
- Airborne® Gummies\*
- Airborne® Kids\*
- Airborne® Liquid\*

## MEALS & SIDES

- Annie's™ Condiments
- Annie's™ Dressings
- Annie's™ Mac & Cheese
- Annie's™ One Pot Pasta
- Annie's™ Soup
- Betty Crocker™ Pizza Crust Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Potatoes
- Betty Crocker™ Sheet Pan Dinner Starter

- EPIC™ Animal Fats
- EPIC™ Bone Broth
- Muir Glen™ Pasta Sauce
- Muir Glen™ Salsa
- Muir Glen™ Tomatoes & Tomato Products
- Progresso™ Artichokes
- Progresso™ Beans
- Progresso™ Bread Crumbs & Panko
- Progresso™ Broth
- Progresso™ Clam Sauce
- Progresso™ Soup
- Progresso™ Soup Mix
- Progresso™ Vinegars
- Old El Paso™ Beans
- Old El Paso™ Burrito Bowl Kit
- Old El Paso™ Jalapeños & Chiles
- Old El Paso™ Rice
- Old El Paso™ Sauces
- Old El Paso™ Seasonings (Single packets must be purchased in increments of 2)
- Old El Paso™ Sheet Pan Dinner Starter Kits
- Old El Paso™ Shells
- Old El Paso™ Taco Kit
- Old El Paso™ Tortilla Pockets
- Old El Paso™ Tortillas

## SNACKS

- Annie's™ Bunny Cookies
- Annie's™ Bunny Grahams
- Annie's™ Cheddar Bunnies
- Annie's™ Cheddar Squares
- Annie's™ Cookies
- Annie's™ Crackers
- Annie's™ Fruit Snacks
- Annie's™ Popcorn
- Annie's™ Snack Bars
- Annie's™ Snack Mix
- Autumn's Gold™ Granola Bars
- Bugles™

- Cascadian Farm™ Bars
- Chex™ Mix
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Bars
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Popcorn 7oz
- Cocoa Puffs™ Popcorn
- Cocoa Puffs™ Treat Bars
- Count Chocula™ Treat Bars
- Doolies™ Fruit & Nut Bites (Multipacks only)
- Doolies™ Bars (Multipacks only)
- Dunkaroos® Cookies & Frosting Snacks
- EPIC™ Bars
- EPIC™ Bites
- EPIC™ Bits
- EPIC™ Chicken Crisps
- EPIC™ Pork Skins
- EPIC™ Snack Strips
- Fiber One™ Bars
- Fiber One™ Brownies
- Fiber One™ Cheesecake Bars
- Fiber One™ Cookies
- Fruit by the Foot™
- Fruit Roll-Ups™
- Gardettos™
- General Mills™ Fruit Snacks
- Golden Grahams™ Bars
- Gushers™
- Honey Nut Cheerios™ Treat Bars
- LÄRABAR™ Kid
- LÄRABAR™ Minis Multipack
- LÄRABAR™ Original Multipack
- LÄRABAR™ Protein Multipack
- Lucky Charms™ Just Magical Marshmallows
- Lucky Charms™ Soft Baked Bars
- Lucky Charms™ Treat Bars
- Mott's® Fruit Snacks
- Nature Valley™ Bars (Multipacks only)
- Nature Valley™ Biscuits
- Nature Valley™ Bites
- Nature Valley™ Granola Cups

- Nature Valley™ Granola Squares
- Nature Valley™ Snack Mix
- Nature Valley™ Squares
- Old El Paso™ Fiesta Twists
- Pillsbury™ Brownie & Cake Snack Bars (Multipacks only)
- Pillsbury™ Cookie Sandwich Kit
- Pillsbury™ Mini Sweet Biscuits (Multipacks only)
- Pillsbury™ Popcorn
- Pillsbury™ Soft Baked Cookies
- :ratio™ Crunchy Bars
- Reese's Puffs™ Treat Bars
- Sonic the Hedgehog™ Fruit Snacks
- SpongeBob SquarePants™ Soft Baked Bars (Multipacks only)
- Sugar Cookie Toast Crunch™ Treat Bars
- Trix™ Popcorn
- Trix™ Treat Bars

## CEREAL & BREAKFAST

- Ancient Grains Cheerios™
- Annie's™ Cereal
- Annie's™ Toaster Pastries
- Apple Cinnamon Cheerios™
- Apple Cinnamon Chex™
- Apple Cinnamon Toast Crunch™
- Autumn's Gold™ Granola
- Banana Caramel Cheerios™
- Banana Nut Cheerios™
- Barb's Choco Boom Booms
- Basic 4™ Cereal
- Betty Crocker™ Pancake Mix
- Big G Cereal Breakfast Pack (8 Pouches)
- Berry Berry Kix™
- Betty Crocker™ Dunkaroos® Pancake Kit
- Birthday Cake Cookie Crisp™
- Blueberry Cheerios™
- Blueberry Chex™

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- Blueberry Toast Crunch™
- Boo Berry™
- Carmella Creeper™ Zombie Monster Cereal
- Cascadian Farm™ Cereal
- Cascadian Farm™ Granola
- Cheerios™
- Cheerios™ Oat Crunch
- Chocolate Cheerios™
- Chocolate Chex™
- Chocolate Lucky Charms™
- Chocolate Peanut Butter Cheerios™
- Chocolate Peanut Butter Chex™
- Chocolate Strawberry Cheerios™
- Chocolate Toast Crunch™
- Cinnamon Chex™
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Cereal Go Box
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Chocolate Churros
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Churros
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Instant Oatmeal
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Pancake Kit
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Shreds
- Cocoa Puffs™ Cereal
- Cocoa Puffs™ Cereal Go Box
- Cocoa Puffs™ Instant Oatmeal
- Cookie Crisp™ Cereal
- Cookie Crisp™ Instant Oatmeal
- Corn Chex™ Cereal
- Count Chocula™
- Dippin Dots™ Cereal
- Drumstick™ Cereal
- Dulce de Leche Toast Crunch™
- Dunkaroos® Cereal
- Elf Cereal
- Fiber One™ Cereal
- Fillows™ Cereal
- Franken Berry™
- French Toast Crunch™
- Frosted Cheerios™
- Frosted Lemon Cheerios™
- Frosted Lucky Charms™
- Fruity Cheerios™
- Frute Brute™ Cereal
- Girl Scouts™ Cereal
- Golden Grahams™
- Golden Grahams™ Cereal Go Box
- Hershey's™ Cereal
- Honey Kix™
- Honey Nut Cheerios™
- Honey Nut Cheerios™ Crunch
- Honey Nut Chex™
- Honey Vanilla Cheerios™
- Hot Wheels™ Cereal
- IHOP® Mini Pancake Cereal
- JoJo Siwa™ Cereal
- Kit Kat® Cereal
- Kix™ Cereal
- LOL Surprise™ Cereal
- Lucky Charms™
- Lucky Charms™ Instant Oatmeal
- Lucky Charms™ Marshmallow Clusters
- Lucky Charms™ S'mores Cereal
- Maple Brown Sugar Chex™
- Maple Cheerios™
- Mermaid Cereal
- Multigrain Cheerios™
- Nature Valley™ Cereal
- Nature Valley™ Granola
- Oatmeal Crisp™ Cereal
- Peach Cheerios™
- Peanut Butter Chex™
- Peanut Butter Chocolate Shreds™ Cereal
- PJ Masks™ Midnight Berry Cereal
- Plentifull™ Cereal
- Pokémon™ Cereal
- Protein Cheerios™ Oat & Honey
- Pumpkin Spice Cheerios™
- Raisin Nut Bran™
- :ratio™ Cereal
- :ratio™ Granola
- Reese's Puffs™
- Reese's Puffs™ Pancake Kit
- Remix! Cereal Snack Mix
- Rice Chex™
- Sesame Street™ Cereal
- Sonic the Hedgehog™ Cereal
- Spider-Man Across the Spider-Verse Cereal
- Star Wars™ Cereal
- Strawberry Banana Cheerios™
- Strawberry Toast Crunch™
- Sugar Cookie Toast Crunch™
- Swiss Miss Cocoa Puffs™ Hot Cocoa Cereal
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles® Cereal
- Toasted Coconut Cheerios™
- Total™ Cereal
- Tres Leches Toast Crunch™
- Trix™ Cereal
- Trix™ Instant Oatmeal
- Vanilla Chex™
- Vanilla Spice Cheerios™
- Very Berry Cheerios™
- Wheat Chex™
- Wheaties™
- Wilde Terra™ Cereal
- Wonderworks™ Cereal
- Paper Mate® Eraser Mate®\*
- Paper Mate® Expressions® Erasers\*
- Paper Mate® Flair® Felt Tip Pens\*
- Paper Mate® Flexgrip® Elite\*
- Paper Mate® Flexgrip® Ultra\*
- Paper Mate® Gel Pens\*
- Paper Mate® Flexgrip® RT\*
- Paper Mate® Handwriting\*
- Paper Mate® Holiday\*
- Paper Mate® Infinite Lead\*
- Paper Mate® Inkjoy® Ballpoint Pens\*
- Paper Mate® Inkjoy® Gel Pens\*
- Paper Mate® Inkjoy® Stylus 2-in-1\*
- Paper Mate® Lead Refills\*
- Paper Mate® Liquid Flair®\*
- Paper Mate® Liquid Paper® Fast Dry\*
- Paper Mate® Markers\*
- Paper Mate® Mirado® Woodcase Pencils\*
- Paper Mate® Pens\*
- Paper Mate® Pink Pearl® & White Pearl® Erasers\*
- Paper Mate® Profile®\*
- Paper Mate® Profile® Elite\*
- Paper Mate® Quick Flip™\*
- Paper Mate® Sharpwriter® Mechanical Pencils\*
- Paper Mate® Speederase\*
- Paper Mate® Write Bros. Pens\*
- Paper Mate® Write Bros. Mechanical Pencils\*

## SCHOOL & OFFICE SUPPLIES

- Paper Mate® Arrowhead® Erasers\*
- Paper Mate® Clearpoint® Mechanical Pencils\*
- Paper Mate® Colored Pencils\*
- Paper Mate® Comfortmate Ultra™\*
- Paper Mate® Correction Pens\*
- Paper Mate® DryLine® Products\*
- Paper Mate® Eagle® Pens\*

## BAKING

- Annie's™ Biscuits
- Annie's™ Cinnamon Rolls
- Annie's™ Cookie Dough
- Annie's™ Cookies
- Annie's™ Crescents
- Annie's™ Dry Baking Mix
- Annie's™ Dry Brownie Mix
- Annie's™ Dry Cake Mix

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- Annie's™ Dry Cookie Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Brittle Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Brownie Cups
- Betty Crocker™ Brownie Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Cake Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Cookie Cups
- Betty Crocker™ Cookie Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Cookie, Cupcake & Kid Fun Kits
- Betty Crocker™ Dessert Bar Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Frosting
- Betty Crocker™ Frosting Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Gluten Free Flour
- Betty Crocker™ Muffin Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Muffin Tops Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Mug Treats
- Betty Crocker™ No-Bake Cookie Dough
- Betty Crocker™ Oat-Tastic Baking Mix
- Betty Crocker™ Pie Crust Mix
- Bisquick™ Biscuit Mix
- Bisquick™ Pancake & Baking Mix
- Gold Medal™ Flour
- Immaculate® Biscuits
- Immaculate® Cinnamon Rolls
- Immaculate® Cookies
- Immaculate® Crescents
- Immaculate® Pie Crust
- Pillsbury™ Banana Bread Batter
- Pillsbury™ Biscuits
- Pillsbury™ Breadsticks
- Pillsbury™ Brownies
- Pillsbury™ Cinnamon Rolls
- Pillsbury™ Cookie Dough
- Pillsbury™ Cornbread Swirls
- Pillsbury™ Corndog Wraps
- Pillsbury™ Crescents
- Pillsbury™ Dinner Roll Style Swirls
- Pillsbury™ French Bread
- Pillsbury™ Grands!™ Biscuits
- Pillsbury™ Heat & Eat Treats
- Pillsbury™ Pull-Apart Kit

- Pillsbury™ Pie Crust
- Pillsbury™ Pizza
- Pillsbury™ Shape Cookies

## FROZEN

- Annie's™ Frozen Waffles
- Annie's™ Pizza Bagels
- Annie's™ Pizza Poppers
- Cascadian Farm™ Frozen Fruits
- Cascadian Farm™ Frozen Vegetables
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Bites
- Pillsbury™ Frozen Biscuits
- Pillsbury™ Frozen Pie Crust
- Pillsbury™ Mini Cinnis
- Pillsbury™ Pancakes
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Scrambles
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Strudel
- Totino's™ Mini Snack Bites
- Totino's™ Pizza Stuffers
- Totino's™ Party Pizza
- Totino's™ Pizza Rolls

## REFRIGERATED & DAIRY

- Haagen-Dazs® Cultured Crème Yogurt Style Snack Multipack
- Haagen-Dazs® Cultured Crème Yogurt Style Snack Single Cups (Purchased in increments of 2)
- Liberté™ Yogurt (Single cups must be purchased in increments of 2)
- Mountain High™ Yoghurt
- Oui™ Layered Desserts
- Oui™ Multipack
- Oui™ Yogurt Single Cups (Purchased in increments of 2)
- :ratio™ Dairy Drinks
- :ratio™ Dairy Snacks (Single cups must be purchased in increments of 2)
- Yoplait® 32oz Tubs
- Yoplait® Go-GURT® Dunkers
- Yoplait® Go-GURT® Yogurt

- Yoplait® Kid
- Yoplait® Multipack
- Yoplait® Single Cups (Purchased in Increments of 5)
- Yoplait® Smoothies

## HOUSEHOLD CLEANING

- Select Lysol® Disinfectant Spray\*
- Select Lysol® Disinfecting Wipes\*
- Select Lysol® Laundry Sanitizers\*

## PET TREATS

- Blue Buffalo™ Chewy Dog Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Crunchy Cat Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Crunchy Dog Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Dental Bones
- Blue Buffalo™ Dog Training Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Dual-Texture Cat Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Kitchen Classics Dog Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Meaty Dog Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Soft Cat Treats
- Blue Buffalo™ Soft-Baked Dog Treats

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