# ST. MARY'S ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL



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Monthly Campus Newsletter

#### **October Issue**

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**UPCOMING DATES** 

October 1:

Teacher Workday/

# Family & Youth Success (FAYS) Program

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Everyone is welcome to attend the FAYS meeting on Tuesday, October 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the SMACS Café. The goals of the FAYS program is to help youth and families develop skills that will empower them to deal effectively with the challenges of depression, suicidal ideations, truancy, delinquent behavior and family conflict. Free services include but not limited to individual and family counseling, case management (basic needs), parent and youth skills training and advocacy, education services (free GED, ACT and college application) and referrals to short term respite. Don't miss this opportunity to take advantage of the resources this program has to offer. We hope to see you there! Child care will be provided, as well as light refreshments will be served. Don't torget! For comments or questions?

(361) 358-5601 or visit www.smacs.net

#### Kindergarten

Kinder is excited about the arrival of Fall. As we study about the four seasons in Science, we will be going to the school garden to observe the Fall vegetables growing there.

# **1st Grade**

The students and their families will create a pumpkin craftivity. The family will brainstorm for ideas to decorate the pumpkin and name it using adjectives. We have learned about adjectives in class. The students will then write a description of their creative masterpiece! We will display both in the hallway for all to see their wonderful family project.

#### 2nd Grade

In Reading and Writing, second graders will be transitioning from Fiction to Informational text. They will learn new reading skills and strategies to help them comprehend this type of genre. In Math, we will begin our studies on addition and subtraction without algorithms. This skill is the foundation to skills that will be learned later in the year. In Science, we will continue to learn about matter and energy. In Social Studies, students will learn about different landforms, how they are created, and their purpose.

## **3rd Grade**

October 6th we are doing Grandparent Presentations for all subjects to include various Halloween projects. Students will also be having a STAAR Interim test for both Math and Reading.

#### 4th Grade

Fourth Grade is learning about division and multiplication plus all about life cycles, currently studying the migration of Monarch butterflies. We also continue to have Garden Club every Tue-Thurs @ Coffee Barrel 4:30-5:30pm.

### 5th & 6th Grade

For the month of October our major areas of focus are learning problem solving skills in math, beginning our force and motion unit in science, and writing spectacular spooky stories in reading. We will also make Halloween Oobleck! We have had a great start to our year and hope our students enjoy Fall Break.

# **ARTIST OF THE MONTH**

Daniel Garcia – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Daniel has always demonstrated his artistic talent within every work he submits. He can be seen sketching almost anything, even outside of art class. Daniel is also willing to help others when they need assistance. His skills involve creative talents that expand into other subjects, such as math and science.



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Halloween

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