

# WOLF WATCH

— WEEKLY E-NEWS —

## News for the Week of April 29

### All School

#### **Festival Success!**

Olé! Olé! Festival Fiesta was a fabulous day. Thank you to all who attended the St. Francis Episcopal Festival Day on April 15. Our community raised a net amount of \$90,000! These One Community Fund dollars will help beautify the Main Campus with new landscaping and signage. The event was only possible because of the hard work of 320 volunteers—led by our stellar 2018 Festival chairs, Marjorie Dale and Megan Tipton. Gracias to all the amazing Festival in-kind sponsors, [underwriters, booth sponsors](#), volunteers, and supportive attendees who truly made this Festival Fiesta a party to remember!

**Click [here](#) to view pics from Festival. (For even more photos, visit our [Facebook album!](#))**

#### **Donate Your Gently Used School Uniforms for Resale**

As the school year comes to an end and the kiddos get bigger, it's time to clean out those closets and make room for summer!

Please bag up any *clean, gently used* uniform items your child has outgrown and drop them at the location that's most convenient for you:

On the **Main Campus**, please leave them at the front desk with Rose Ann Gregory.

On the **South Campus**, please leave them at the front desk with Leslie vanArsdale.

Questions? E-mail [the Uniform Resale Boutique](#).

Thank you!

Angela Bookmyer, Jill Smith, and Kristin Valicek

### **Next Wolf Wear Sale Is May 4**

The next Wolf Wear sale will be held Friday, May 4. Visit us in the Concessions Stand on the Main Campus from 7:45-9:00 a.m. Questions? E-mail [Eloise Taussig](#) or [Shelley Iglesias](#).

### **FoFA Needs Your Help on May 8!**

Friends of Fine Arts needs your help changing out the art in the People Place on **Tuesday, May 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m!** The frames need to be emptied, cleaned, and remounted with fresh student artwork.

It's easy and fun—and you may even get to see your child on his or her way to class or lunch! What a great way to help beautify our school!

[Click here to sign up.](#)

### **Annie: Buy Tickets Online Today**

Annie is determined to find the parents who abandoned her years ago on the doorstep of a New York City orphanage that is run by the cruel, embittered Miss Hannigan.

With the help of the other girls in the orphanage, Annie escapes to the wondrous world of NYC. In adventure after fun-filled adventure,

Annie foils Miss Hannigan's evil machinations . . . and even befriends President Franklin Delano Roosevelt! She finds a new home and family with billionaire Oliver Warbucks; his personal secretary, Grace Farrell; and a lovable mutt named Sandy.

With equal measures of pluck and positivity, little orphan Annie charms everyone's hearts—and she is sure to warm yours, too!

- Come see our eighth graders perform this family-favorite musical on **Friday, May 4**, and **Saturday, May 5**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center.
- All students must be accompanied by an adult chaperone.
- [Click here to purchase tickets online.](#)

### **Parent Community Bible Studies**

Please join us for upcoming Bible studies aimed at our parent community:

#### **MOMS' PRAYER DEVOTIONAL WITH MRS. HEINEMANN**

- **Monday, April 30, at 8:40 a.m. in the Chapel of St. Clare**
- This is a peaceful time of scriptural reflection, prayerful meditation, and supportive fellowship.
- All moms are welcome!

#### **DADS' BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER WISMER**

- **Thursday, May 3, at 7:15 a.m. in the Christian Education Rooms** (at the end of the Middle School hallway)
- This study explores faithful obedience in the Gospels and helps us uncover and develop practices of faithful obedience.
- All dads are welcome!

### **Remember: Tuition Payments Are Due Tuesday**

Annual tuition payments for the 2018-19 school year are due on or before this **Tuesday, May 1**. Please bring/send your check to Chanda Hutton in Accounts Receivable, or log into My BackPack and make an online payment by credit card or e-check (for non-ACH annual tuition payers only). Note: A convenience fee is added to online tuition payments.

If you chose the Annual by ACH tuition payment plan option on your 2018–19 enrollment contract, the school will draft your bank account this Tuesday, May 1.

If you chose the Monthly by ACH tuition payment plan option on your 2018–19 enrollment contract, the school will draft your bank account this Tuesday, May 1, for the first monthly tuition payment for the 2018–19 school year. Moving forward, the monthly ACH tuition drafts will occur on the first business day of each month from June 2018 through January 2019.

### **Grab Your Summer Read at the Book Fair This Week!**

Whether it's by the pool, in the hammock—or in the great *indoors*—nothing says summer like curling up with a relaxing read on a hot Houston day. Help your student get a head start on summer favorites at the book fair this **Thursday, May 3, and Friday, May 4!** We'll open the doors to our **Main Campus Crum Library from 7:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.** and to our **South Campus Crum Library from 8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.**

- **Primary School students** visit the book fair with their parents and are welcome at both campuses. Stop by to take a stroll with your little Wolf!
- **Lower and Middle School students** will attend the book fair with their classes—and parents are invited to join them or browse on their own!
  - Lower School parents, please check your homeroom teacher's web page for times.
  - Middle School parents, please check your English teacher's web page for times.
  - Don't forget to [create a prepaid student account](#) for your Lower and Middle School students to use for purchases at the book fair. The process is paperless and quick, and you can even donate a book to the library at the same time! **The deadline for creating student accounts is this Wednesday, May 2, at noon.**

### **Art a la Carte Docent Applications Due Friday**

If you will have a student in kindergarten through eighth grade in the 2018–19

school year, please note that Art a la Carte (AALC) docent applications are being accepted through **Friday, May 4**.

- Each AALC docent works with students in a Lower or Middle School grade.
- To access the application, please sign in to your My BackPack account and click “My Forms.”
- Once you have submitted your form, you will be redirected to the [AALC introductory meeting page](#). If you have never been an AALC docent before, you **MUST** attend one of the Introduction to AALC meetings to complete your docent application. With questions, please e-mail [AALC@StFrancisHouston.org](mailto:AALC@StFrancisHouston.org).

### **A Note From the Parents Association: Faculty Appreciation Gift**

Twice a year, the Parents Association asks each family to contribute toward faculty and staff appreciation gifts. **Both at Christmas and the end of the school year, the PA provides monetary gifts to each and every person employed by St. Francis.** This means that administrators, coaches, and sextons are all included with the teachers in being recognized. The funds raised are distributed evenly to all employees, including those working part-time, as a Christmas and end-of-year bonus.

Not only does this help the entire parent community show their appreciation, but it honors the *School Handbook* policy that prohibits the giving of individual gifts.

While the timing of this ask, particularly before Christmas, comes at a time when parents are also being asked to give to the St. Francis Fund, **the two are totally separate fund-raising initiatives.** One (the Faculty Appreciation Gift) directly benefits the faculty and staff, while the other (St. Francis Fund) directly benefits our students and children. Thank you for thoughtfully considering supporting both.

**As the end of the year approaches, please be on the lookout for information from the PA on how you can make your contribution to this year’s Faculty Appreciation Gift.**

## **Summer Camp Notes From Father Wismer and Mrs. Heinemann**

Summertime is almost here—and that means summer camp! As your children head off toward adventure, help us send them a bit of St. Francis love by completing [this form](#). Father Wismer or Mrs. Heinemann will send them a special note.

## **The Tellepsen Challenge: Put Some Swing in Our Playground Renovation!**

*The Tellepsen family doesn't play around.* That's why we're so pleased to roll out the Tellepsen Challenge, a matching gift opportunity that pairs the generosity of one of Houston's most philanthropic families with the giving power of the St. Francis community. When the Tellepsen family learned of our plans to renovate our Main Campus playground—complete with installation of all-new equipment and the eventual addition of a soccer field and outdoor basketball court—they jumped in with an offer to match kickoff donations dollar for dollar up to \$150,000.

What this means for you is **double the giving power** of your Tellepsen Challenge donation! What it means for our Lower and Middle School students, however, is even more powerful. Outdoor play on fantastic updated and expanded facilities can only be made more special by the social, emotional, and physical boost that comes from time spent in nature among friends.

To help make this long-held dream a reality, please contact Head of Development Kelly Cliburn by [e-mail](#) or at 713.458.6172. And please join us in thanking the Tellepsen family for their game-changing kindness!

## **Primary School**

### **From the Division Head**

At our upcoming St. Francis 101 New Parent Brunch, we will welcome first-time families to our community. This event is designed to introduce parents to all things St. Francis and, for our division, all things Primary School. New parents will discover a joyful place where we celebrate childhood and honor the thoughts and ideas of children.

I explained to our Primary II students that there would be new students joining us next year, and I wondered aloud what they would want to tell them about Primary School. This is a collection of some of their reflections, and what they thought I should share with new families:

- We are friends.
- We like building with blocks and Magna-Tiles.
- We make drawings and write and act out our own stories.
- We like Motor class out on the field and Art Deck and Play-Doh.
- We share.
- We have hills on the playground and play ball and ride trikes.
- We play instruments in music and games in Spanish.
- We have fun.
- We bake cookies and strawberry shortcake and have picnics outside.
- We wear birthday crowns and say prayers in Chapel.
- We play.
- We have jobs like “Zen Master,” “Door Holder,” and “Boo-Boo Buddy.”
- We work at the light table and sensory table and grow plants.
- We have good teachers.
- We take care of our school, and everyone knows "The St. Francis Way."

I look forward to sharing our students' reflections with new families this week, and know that they will begin the 2018–19 school year eager to join our thriving community.

Next week, I'll be using *Wolf Watch* to introduce you to the Primary School faculty who will be joining us next school year. I know you'll be as thrilled with them as I am!

All the best,

Amy Whitley, MA  
Head of Primary School

### **Primary School Dining Hall Menu**

To view the Primary School Dining Hall menu for May, please click [here](#).

### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **Tuesday, May 1**

- *Chapel*: 9:30 a.m.
  - *T/Th Pre-Primary Mothers & Others*: 1:30 p.m. in classrooms
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#### **Wednesday, May 2**

- *Chapel*: 9:30 a.m.; **Primary I and Primary II students wear uniforms**
  - *MWF Pre-Primary Mothers & Others*: 1:30 p.m. in classrooms
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#### **Thursday, May 3**

- *Spring Book Fair (South Campus)*: 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the Primary School Library
- *Primary II Mothers & Others*: 1:15 p.m. in classrooms
- *St. Francis 101 New Parent Brunch*: 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Fine Arts Center

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## Friday, May 4

- *Spring Book Fair (South Campus):* 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the Primary School Library
- *Primary II Step-Up to Kindergarden (Field Trip to Main Campus):* Students only
- *Primary I Mothers & Others:* 1:30 p.m. in classrooms

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## Tuesday, May 8

- *Chapel (Primary II Bible Presentation):* 9:30 a.m. **in the Crum Athletics Center**
- ***Primary II Students Wear Uniforms***

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## Wednesday, May 9

- *Chapel (Brooks' Drama Performance):* 9:30 a.m.
- ***Primary I and Primary II Students Wear Uniforms***

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## Thursday, May 10

- *T/Th Pre-Primary Step-Up (Field Trip to Primary I):* Students only
- *Primary II Field Trip to Main Campus for the Lower School Play:* Students only

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## Friday, May 11

- *MWF Pre-Primary Step-Up (Field Trip to Primary I):* Students only
- *Primary I Step-Up (Field Trip to Primary II):* Students only
- *Primary II and Kindergarten Parent Coffee: “Engaging Your Child in Summer Reading”* from 8:45-9:30 a.m. in the Crum Library on the Main Campus

## **Lower School**

### **From the Division Head**

It was a fantastic week in Lower School! While the days are ticking by and our year is winding down, your children are continuing to learn and grow in so many ways. We do not shut down academics until the last day of school, so hang in there with us!

Last week, I let you know of faculty who are not returning next school year. This week, I am highlighting newly hired faculty and faculty who are moving within the division for the 2018–19 school year.

- As you know, **Maureen Martinez** stepped out of retirement from Spring Branch ISD and graciously stepped in as our long-term substitute in K–2 STEAM this past fall. We are so pleased that she has accepted our offer to remain on as our permanent STEAM instructor. Her previous experience as a science teacher has allowed her to enrich our curriculum all year. She will be adding to her STEAM teaching tool kit by taking the Rice Elementary Model STEM Lab (REMSL), a course for elementary school teachers that seeks to increase student achievement in science and math, improve teachers' STEM content knowledge, and enhance the use of best practices, all based on the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). The other members of our STEAM team have attended REMSL, as well. Maureen’s warm smile, love of children, commitment to professional development, and obvious love of teaching are gifts to our Lower School!
- **Debra Joyce**, who joined our faculty this past fall, will move from her first-grade position to third grade as one of our language arts/social studies teachers. I know her first-grade families will be thrilled to know they may have the pleasure of seeing her again in third grade! Debra taught both first and third grade previously at the Singapore American

School, where she received extensive training in guided reading, the reading and writing workshop approach, and *Words Their Way*. With 18 years of teaching experience, she has already added a great deal to our program! She will be an amazing asset to our already stellar third-grade team!

- **Stephen McCormick** will join the first-grade team as a seasoned first- and second-grade teacher in both Spring Branch and Spring ISDs. He holds a master's degree and has many years of training and coaching in our literacy approach, as well as in differentiated instruction. He has a passion for guided reading, providing young readers with leveled, small-group instruction, which research tells us is highly effective. He has earned his gifted and talented certification and has served on campus-improvement and curriculum committees, in addition to supervising student teachers. Stephen is a lifelong, growth-mindset educator with a passion for teaching young children. Being a lifelong Episcopalian as well, Stephen is excited to join our community of faith. Join me in welcoming Stephen to our family!
- **Mary Armintor** is joining the fourth-grade team as a math teacher. Mary earned her undergraduate degree from St. Edward's University and her master's degree in education from Brooklyn College. She began her career teaching middle school English, but then realized that her passion lay in teaching younger students. This is my second time to hire Mary. The first time, I hired her at another independent school in Houston, where she taught kindergarten and, most recently, third grade. She has a quest for knowledge in the areas of childhood development and brain-based, differentiated instruction. Mary was awarded the AmeriCorps Education Award, has accumulated many gifted and talented training hours, and attended the Columbia University Teachers College Writing Institute. Additionally, she has completed basic and advanced training in the Responsive Classroom approach, which is the basis for our SEAL approach. Mary is also very familiar with our *Bridges in Mathematics* program, having used it this year with her third-grade classroom. In fact, Holly Plost, our math and technology specialist and *Bridges* trainer, trained the faculty at her school. Mary is excited to delve into *Bridges* headfirst in fourth grade, applying her already rich knowledge of this curriculum!
- We welcome **Elli Tennant** to our Lower School team as the visual arts instructor. She comes from a Houston-area independent school and has

nine years of experience teaching students ages 2–8 and instructing many art camps for children. She holds a degree in fine arts, and she studied abroad at the Studio Arts College International in Florence, Italy. Her interests are focused on painting (watercolor, acrylic, oil, and gouache), oil pastels, ceramics, collage, jewelry making, and photography. She is an incredible artist in her own right and continues to hone her artistic gifts by entering competitions and exhibits. We are very excited to welcome her enthusiasm and artistic gifts to St. Francis!

I know you will join me in welcoming these new faces to our Lower School community!

Fondly,

Carol Christ, MEd  
Head of Lower School

### **Fourth-Grade Parents, You're Invited!**

Fourth-grade parents, mark your calendars! Our fourth graders will be performing ***The Best School Year Ever*** in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall at **11:40 a.m. on May 8, 9, 10, and 11**. A different homeroom class will be performing each day.

**Check your My Backpack account for your invitation**, which was sent this past week and contains more detailed information about the performances.

### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **Monday, April 30**

- *Dress Uniform Day*
- *Birthday Chapel*: Students with a birthday between April 29-May 5 will receive a birthday pencil in Chapel today

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#### **Thursday, May 3**

- *Spring Book Fair (Main Campus):* 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in the Crum Library
  - *St. Francis 101 New Parent Brunch:* 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Fine Arts Center
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### **Friday, May 4**

- *Spring Book Fair (Main Campus):* 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in the Crum Library
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### **Monday, May 7**

- *Dress Uniform Day*
  - *Birthday Chapel:* Students with a birthday between May 6-12 will receive a birthday pencil in Chapel today
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### **Tuesday, May 8**

- *Grades 1-4 Parent Coffee:* “Avoiding the Summer Slide” from 8:15-9:00 a.m. in the Crum Library
  - *Fourth-Grade Play (Mrs. Hall's Homeroom):* 11:40 a.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall
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### **Wednesday, May 9**

- *FAC Chapel:* 8:05 a.m.
- *Fourth-Grade Play (Ms. Heidemann's Homeroom):* 11:40 a.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall

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## Thursday, May 10

- *Fourth-Grade Play (Mrs. Price's Homeroom):* 11:40 a.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall

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## Friday, May 11

- *Primary II and Kindergarten Parent Coffee: "Engaging Your Child in Summer Reading"* from 8:45-9:30 a.m. in the Crum Library
- *Fourth-Grade Play (Ms. Schwabenland's Homeroom):* 11:40 a.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall

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## Monday, May 14

- *Dress Uniform Day*
- *Birthday Chapel:* Students with a birthday between May 13-19 and in the month of June will receive a birthday pencil in Chapel today

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## Wednesday, May 16

- *Dress Uniform Day*
- *Ascension Eucharist:* 8:05 a.m.

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## Friday, May 18

- *Third-Grade and Fourth-Grade Field Day:* 8:30-11:30 a.m.
- *Kindergarten, First-Grade, and Second-Grade Field Day:* 1:00-2:30 p.m.

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## Monday, May 21

- *Dress Uniform Day*
  - *Birthday Chapel:* Students with a birthday between May 20-31 and in the month of July will receive a birthday pencil in Chapel today
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## Friday, May 25

- *Fourth Grade Completion Ceremony:* 10:00 a.m. in the Fine Arts Center
- *Last Day of School/Early Dismissal:*
  - 11:15 a.m.—Kindergarten and First Grade
  - 11:30 a.m.—Second, Third, and Fourth Grade

## Middle School

### **From the Division Head**

Happy Sunday, Middle School families. I hope this finds you all well today.

Congratulations to all of our spring athletes and coaches for their hard work and great seasons. Our eighth graders have left a very positive footprint on our athletics programs, and I look forward to seeing our underclassmen step up next year to carry the torch of success for our sports teams.

**This Friday and Saturday, our spring performing artists will showcase their talents in the musical *Annie*.** Break a leg, eighth grade! Thanks to Julia Traber, Carlo Minotti, Rick Keith, and our talented students for their hard work and preparation.

Thanks, also, to Melanie Wallace and the Library team, Debbie Harris, Michelle Smith and the Communications team, and our outstanding faculty for helping to bring *Salva Dut* to our school this past week. His story and work provide a wonderful example of being a person for others, and our students

have learned how our meaningful project work, based on Salva's story, can serve the world. Last Thursday's and Friday's events highlighted our school's mission in a more powerful way than any others I've seen in my five years here, and it made me even prouder of our community.

On the Mind, Brain, and Education Science front, I have included two recent articles of interest, focusing on [teenage social-emotional struggles](#) and [neuroscience and the teenage brain](#).

Don't forget that **Quarter 4 Community Service Hours Request Forms are due in the Middle School Office by tomorrow, April 30**. Any forms received after 3:45 p.m. tomorrow will be credited to the 2018–19 school year.

Finally, I'll be introducing you to our new 2018-19 Middle School faculty members in next week's *Wolf Watch*. Stay tuned!

It's a beautiful day, and we are Wolves!

Sincerely,

Connor Cook, EdD  
Head of Middle School

### **Step Into High School on May 8**

Current seventh-grade students and parents, please join us Tuesday, May 8, for an evening that's all about high school! Our "**Step Into High School**" event will be held on the **South Campus** according to the following schedule:

- **6:00 p.m.—High School Information Night in the Crum Athletics Center.** Seventh-grade parents and students are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting together for valuable information about the high school application process and the St. Francis Upper School.
- **6:30 p.m.—St. Francis Upper School Spring Open House kicks off in the Andrews House.** This Open House experience will equip you and your son or daughter with tools to effectively plan for life during *and after* the high school years! [Learn more about the Spring Open House and sign up to attend here.](#)

Questions? Please [e-mail Christie Crummel](#), assistant head of Middle School.

### **Fall Preview Athletics: Release Times**

Our students will be previewing fall athletics between May 1–21. Please note the following release times, by sport:

#### **FOOTBALL (MAIN CAMPUS)**

Monday and Tuesday: 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday–Friday: 3:45 p.m.

(Approximately 43 students)

#### **VOLLEYBALL (MAIN CAMPUS)**

Monday–Friday: 3:45 p.m.

(Approximately 39 students)

#### **EIGHTH GRADERS (MAIN CAMPUS)**

Monday–Friday: 3:45 p.m.

(Approximately 65 students)

#### **CROSS-COUNTRY (SOUTH CAMPUS)**

Monday–Friday: 3:45 p.m.

(Approximately 32 students)

#### **FIELD HOCKEY (SOUTH CAMPUS)**

Monday–Friday: 4:00 p.m.

(Approximately 30 students)

### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **Monday, April 30**

- *Regular Schedule*
- *Dress Uniform Day for Grades 5-7*
- *High School T-shirt Day for Grade 8: Wear uniform bottoms with your high school T-shirt*

- *Q4 Community Service Hours Request Forms Due:* This is a hard deadline; [download the form here](#)
  - *MS Council Election Posters Go Up*
  - *Honors Decisions E-mailed to Parents*
  - *KOBI Photo Contest: April 30-May 4 on Main Street*
  - *Eighth-Grade High School T-shirt Reception: 2:30-3:00 p.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall; students only*
  - *Honor the Wolves (End of Spring Season): 3:00 p.m. in the gym, Fine Arts Center, and classrooms*
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## **Tuesday, May 1**

- *Regular Schedule/Regular Uniform Day*
  - *KOBI Photo Contest: April 30-May 4 on Main Street*
  - *Bible Study for Eighth Graders: 7:15-7:45 a.m. in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway*
  - *MS/LS Spring Fine Art Gallery Reception: 7:15-8:00 a.m. in the Hogan Board Room*
  - *Annie Dress Rehearsal and Photo Call: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.*
  - *Grades 6-7 Fall Preview/Grade 8 Activities: 3:00-3:45 p.m.; fields, gym, and Outdoor Activities Center*
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## **Wednesday, May 2**

- *Regular Schedule/Regular Uniform Day*
- *KOBI Photo Contest: April 30-May 4 on Main Street*

- *Bible Study for Seventh Graders: 7:15-7:45 a.m. in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway*
  - *Annie, Run Act One: 9:30-10:40 a.m. and 2:35-6:00 p.m.*
  - *Chapel (Grades 6 and 8 Community Service and Religion Awards): 10:45-11:15 a.m.; students only*
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### **Thursday, May 3**

- *Regular Schedule/Regular Uniform Day*
  - *National Day of Prayer*
  - *Spring Book Fair (Main Campus): 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in the Crum Library*
  - *KOBI Photo Contest: April 30-May 4 on Main Street*
  - *St. Francis 101 New Parent Brunch: 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Fine Arts Center*
  - *MS Class Meeting (Student Council Office Elections): 9:15-10:00 a.m. in the Chapel*
  - *Annie, Run Act Two: 2:30-6:00 p.m.*
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### **Friday, May 4**

- *Regular Schedule/Regular Friday Uniform Day*
- *Honors Appeal Letter Deadline*
- *Honors Contract Submission Deadline*
- *Spring Book Fair (Main Campus): 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in the Crum Library*

- *KOBI Photo Contest: April 30-May 4 on Main Street*
  - *NJHS Officer Induction Ceremony: 7:15-7:50 a.m. in the Hogan Board Room*
  - *WEB Farewell Activity (Grade 8 Only): 10:45-11:15 a.m. in Mr. Duran's classroom*
  - *Annie Opening Night: Actors arrive at 5:00 p.m.; play begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center*
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### **Saturday, May 5**

- *New Student Honors Testing: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Crum Library*
  - *Annie Performance: Actors arrive at 5:00 p.m.; play begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center*
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### **Sunday, May 6**

- *School of Music Spring Recital: 1:30-5:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center*
  - *Washington, DC, Summer Travel Meeting (Parents and Students): 2:00 p.m. in the Hogan Board Room*
  - *Iceland Summer Travel Meeting (Parents and Students): 3:30 p.m. in the Hogan Board Room*
  - *Costa Rica Summer Travel Meeting (Parents and Students): 5:00 p.m. in the Hogan Board Room*
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### **Monday, May 7**

- *Grades 5 and 7: Regular schedule; dress uniform day*

- *Grade 6:* Day field trip to Camp Allen; outdoor wear
  - *Grade 8:* Trip to Big Bend; wear eighth-grade T-shirt
  - *Chapel:* 10:45-11:15 a.m.
  - *MS/LS Art Show:* May 7-11 on Main Street and in the People Place
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## **Tuesday, May 8**

- *Grade 5:* Day field trip—artist boat; regular uniform day
  - *Grades 6 and 7:* Regular schedule; regular uniform day
  - *Grade 8:* Big Bend trip
  - *MS/LS Art Show:* May 7-11 on Main Street and in the People Place
  - *Seventh-Grade Howlers Practice:* 10:45-11:15 a.m. in the Fine Arts Center dressing rooms
  - *Step Into High School (South Campus):*
    - 6:00 p.m.—High School Information Night in the Crum Athletics Center
    - 6:30 p.m.—St. Francis Upper School Spring Open House in the Andrews House
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## **Wednesday, May 9**

- *Grades 5-7:* Regular schedule; regular uniform day
- *Grade 8:* Big Bend trip
- *MS/LS Art Show:* May 7-11 on Main Street and in the People Place

- *Bible Study for Seventh Graders: 7:15-7:45 a.m.* in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway
  - *Seventh-Grade Howlers Practice: 11:20-11:55 a.m.* in the Dance Room
  - *Chapel: 10:45-11:15 a.m.* in the Fine Arts Center
  - *Grades 5-7 Middle School Physicals: 1:00-4:00 p.m.* in the gym
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### **Thursday, May 10**

- *Grades 5 and 7: Regular schedule; regular uniform day*
  - *Grade 6: Special schedule; regular uniform day*
  - *Grade 8: Big Bend trip*
  - *MS/LS Art Show: May 7-11 on Main Street and in the People Place*
  - *Community Time (Grades 5 and 7): 9:15-10:00 a.m.*
  - *Greek Fest (Grade 6): In the Outdoor Activities Center and in classrooms*
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### **Friday, May 11**

- *Regular Schedule/Regular Uniform Day*
- *NJHS Meeting (Grade 7 Only): 7:15-7:45 a.m.* in Dr. Bedard's classroom
- *Grade 8: Big Bend trip*
- *MS/LS Art Show: May 7-11 on Main Street and in the People Place*
- *Seventh-Grade Howlers Practice: 10:45-11:15 a.m.* in the Dance Room

## **Church**

### **Honoring Mothers and Their Graduates**

On **Sunday, May 13**, we will honor our mothers and our graduates during Sunday services. If you are graduating from eighth grade, high school, or college and would like to be recognized in the bulletin, please [e-mail Cindy Huteson](#).

### **Day of Pentecost Baptisms Are May 20**

Sunday, May 20, is the Day of Pentecost, a Principal Feast Day celebrating the birth of the church—and an especially appropriate day to offer the Sacrament of Baptism. To schedule a Pentecost baptism, please contact [Amy Homer](#) at 713.458.6307.

### **Join Us for a Pentecost Party!**

Since we celebrate the birth of the church on the Day of Pentecost, what better way to rejoice than with a party? Mark your calendars for food, fun, and festivities on **Sunday, May 20, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall**.

For additional details and to RSVP, please [click here](#).

### **SCENES Summer Theater Camp**

Registration for SCENES, one of the highest-quality theater camps in Houston, is open! [Visit our website for more information and to register.](#)

#### **CAMP #1: URINETOWN**

July 9–13  
Grades 7–12

#### **CAMP #2: HONK**

July 16–27  
Grades 2–High School

#### **CAMP #3: MUSICAL REVIEW**

July 30–August 3

Songs from Disney, *Matilda*, *Annie*, and Classic Musical Theater  
Grades K–6

### **Fall First Communion Classes**

First Communion classes begin **Sunday, September 16**. This is an eight-week course designed to prepare second-grade students to receive Holy Eucharist. To sign up or for further information, please contact [Nichole Hilgert](#).