## THE ACADEMY OF SAINT MATTHIAS THE APOSTLE



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### MOBILE SCIENCE LAB WILL BE HERE NEXT WEEK

The students of St. Matthias are in for an engaging, hands-on science treat when they spend time learning in the Maryland Agricultural Education Foundations' Mobile Science Lab. The investigations of the Mobile Science Labs are aligned with the Environmental Literacy, Common Core and Next Generation Science Standards. The investigations allow students in all grades to explore the NGSS Science and Engineering Practices as they work as scientists to investigate real world problems. The grade specific investigations include Crabs and the Chesapeake, Farmers Protect the Environment, Challenges to our Water Supply (fresh and salt water), and the Gulf Oil Spill. In addition to the lesson in the Lab, classes will have follow-up in their science classes. This activity supports our National STEM Education Certification goal and is funded by the students' hard-earned proceeds from the Fun-d Run. Parent volunteers are needed to assist in the lab each day.

#### HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

All are invited to attend the second Home and School Association general meeting of this school year on Tuesday, January 30 at 6:30 pm. In honor of Catholic Schools Week we will be serving pizza, fruit, veggies, drinks, and dessert. There will be several brief presentations and an opportunity to have a conversation about your suggestions for the coming school year. All families will receive a meeting invitation through Evite. Since food is being served, it would be most helpful and greatly appreciated if those attending RSVP in advance. Service hours are granted to families who attend HSA meetings.

### **INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE**

The Catholic elementary schools in the Archdiocese of Washington follow the inclement weather-related decisions regarding school closures, delayed openings and early dismissals made by their local public-school districts. If there is a change in schedule related to bad weather in Prince George's County, St. Matthias will follow their schedule. This decision is announced on local television and radio. Parents can check pgcps.org for updates. The St. Matthias school office will also notify parents by text message and on the school website. If school is closed the students and teachers will take a snow holiday. If school is closed for more than one consecutive day, teachers will send their learning plans via email and through Seesaw.

Monday, January 15 School Closed Day of Service

Day of Service Cancelled

Tuesday, January 16

Dance Ministry 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Title I Tutoring - Math



**Tuesday, January 16 - 18**Mobile Science Lab

Wednesday, January 17

Drama Club 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Title I Tutoring - Reading

Thursday, January 18

Title I Tutoring - Math

Friday, January 19

School Mass

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