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Hello St. Margaret Mary School Parents,

Happy Sunday! Hope this newsletter finds you well. Let me first begin by congratulating our **GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM** for qualifying for the 'playoffs.' The mighty lady Spartans are the first SMMS team, this academic year, to achieve such an awesome 'PLAYOFF' status. GOOD LUCK GIRLS! As we step into the month of May, we prepare for an extremely exciting and busy month. Yet, before I elaborate on the events to come, let me do a bit of a review of our April!

On April 13th, the students came back to school rested from a well-deserved EASTER VACATION. A few days later, they showed off their talents at SMMS TALENT SHOW. It was truly inspiring to see so much talent from just one school. Thank you Ms. K for all your efforts in organizing this event. During that week, Mr. Mark Waronek and his incredible team put the finishing touches on the final preparations for the DINNER DANCE. This fundraiser, held on April 17, was a wonderful success. It was fabulous to see so many parents of our Saint Margaret Mary community come out in support of our school. At this event, we also took the opportunity to proudly recognize and honor two former students who have achieved 'professional athlete' status. Congratulations to Anthony Barr and Anthony Wroblicky. While we are guite proud of their achievements on the playing field, we are especially proud of their integrity and moral character. Thank you for being outstanding role models to our children!!! In addition, a thousand thank yous to THE INCREDIBLES (Mark Waronek and team) for planning and hosting this event. On April 24th, the entire student body as well as a number of parent volunteers participated in MULTI-CULTURAL DAY. The students had a fantastic time tasting international treats and experiencing wonderful customs from various countries as they walked from classroom (country) to classroom (country). On May 1st, Mrs. Rosato and her phenomenal 1st grade hosted the May Crowning Mass. Dressed in their Sunday best, the 1st graders sang their hearts out in honor of our MOTHER MARY. I was deeply touched on how beautifully they sang the AVE MARIA. It was truly a blessed event.

This week, the students will be preparing for the annual **SPRING SING EVENT**. The theme to this event is DISNEY and it begins at 6:00 p.m. *Holy Name Society* will once again be hosting a hamburger/hot dog bar-b-que for those of you who would like to eat dinner at the event. All families will be able to reserve their spots by putting lawn chairs down. PLEASE KNOW THAT YOU MAY ONLY RESERVE YOUR SPOT WITH A LAWN CHAIR. NO TAPE, RIBBON, SIGNS OR EVEN BLANKETS ARE ALLOWED TO BE PUT DOWN WITH THE INTENTION OF RESERVING A SPACE. LAWN CHAIRS ONLY PLEASE. Parents may begin to reserve their space not earlier than 1:00 p.m. All chairs placed before 1:00

p.m will be removed. For those of you who would like to buy a front row seat to the event, an On-line auction will begin on Tuesday. Please consult Ms. Traversa if you have any questions. On May 13th the faculty, staff and coaches will honor our SPRING ATHLETES at the **Spring Sports Banquet**. Outstanding athletes from soccer, softball and cross country will be recognized for their tremendous effort and sportsmanship. Our 2nd graders will receive the **Sacrament of Communion** on May 15th. Of all seven sacraments, the Holy Eucharist, or Holy Communion, is the most central and important to us as Catholics. When our 2nd graders receive this sacrament, they will be united with Jesus Christ. These young super stars have been preparing for this very blessed event and our hearts and prayers are with them. **Knott's Berry Farm** is almost here!! Chaperones have been selected and tickets purchased. For those of you who have been designated a chaperone, you will receive list of students for your group and a spot on the bus has been reserved for you. The park opens at 10:00 a.m and the buses will leave promptly at 8:30 a.m. At the end of the day, the buses will start transporting students back at 5:00 p.m. It's going to be an awesome day!!

A FEW IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- 1. Please make sure you have fulfilled your SCRIP obligation before the due date. If not, FACTS TUITION SERVICE will bill you for the amount unfulfilled amount.
- 2. Although we are in the 4th quarter, SMMS rules and regulations still apply. In the past few weeks, we have written a large number of **uniform** violations. Please make sure that:
 - a. Belts are worn
 - b. Boys hair line does not touch the collar
 - c. Skirts are at the appropriate length (2 inches above the middle of the knee)
 - d. Shoes must be black, navy blue brown or white. Royal blue and gray are not colors within the dress code. In addition, no rips or holes are allowed.
- 3. 8th grade news Scholarship applications will be distributed on Monday, May 3rd
- 4. HALF DAY TOMORROW MAY 4th.
- 5. HALF DAY FRIDAY MAY 8TH
- 6. 2015 2016 Welcome packets will go home late may
- 7. First tuition payment begins June 1st.
- 8. For those of you who still carry a balance whether it be SCRIP or delinquent tuition, your child will not be put on the new roster for the 2015 -2016 school year. Please pay immediately!
- 9. First day of school for the 2015 2016 school year is August 24th

Have a great week!

Mrs. Zimmerman

Principal