



Dear St. Margaret Mary School families,

Just wanted to take a bit of your time to briefly re-cap last week's happenings at St. Margaret Mary School and inform you of the events ahead!

The Cookie Dough Fundraiser deadline was last Wednesday. Thank you all for your participation. Fundraisers are a super way to generate revenue for our school. With your help, we can purchase new and exciting learning products to better educate your child.

-The annual 8<sup>th</sup> grade ZOO RUN was held last Thursday. The students, divided into teams, did quite well solving a series of puzzles, animal questions and trivia throughout the Los Angeles Zoo. A giant 'thank you' to our chaperones; Ms. Brito, Simon Kim, Mrs. Valdovinos, Mrs. Botello, Mr. Perry, Mrs. Edgely, Mrs. Gonzales, Mr. Nava, Mrs. Troutman, Mr. Kemper and Daycare Dawn for tracking endless miles with their 8<sup>th</sup> grade team. Winner and prizes will be announced soon!

-Family Night AT QUIZNOS was a wonderful success. Thank you parents!!!!!!

-Last week, I began visiting classrooms for observation and feedback. These visits are not for critical evaluation but rather for the purpose of professional development. The aim of the classroom walkthrough is to provide direct and specific feedback to teachers based on the daily snapshot observed. It is my belief that working collaboratively with the teachers as a result of these walk - throughs, is critical to the improvement of teaching and plays a significant role with student achievement. -Report cards were distributed on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. You can also find it on Schoolspeak. Please notify me immediately if you were unable to access one.

Thanksgiving is almost upon us! Yet before we jump into the holiday week, we must first experience the exciting events that the faculty and staff have planned for your children. Below is the 'calendar of events' of our 'Week before Thanksgiving!'

**17<sup>th</sup> – *Early Dismissal 12:00 p.m* – Faculty Meeting – the 7<sup>th</sup> grade will host the FACULTY LUNCH**

**17<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Tree / Wreath / Centerpiece - **Orders due!!!!**

**18<sup>th</sup>** – Make – Up Picture Day – *students who would like to do a picture re-do can today. Formal uniform is required.*

**18<sup>th</sup>** – MOM'S CLUB MEETING TONIGH AT 6:00 P.M. Please make special note of the time change to this meeting.

**19<sup>TH</sup>** – Christmas Card Fundraiser – please look for the art board/order form for the Christmas Card Fundraiser. It will be coming home today with your child's work on it. Final turn-in date is Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup> However, submitting it before Thanksgiving is preferable. Please pay careful attention to the distinction between 'note cards' and 'message cards' when ordering. You must pick a package before ordering. 40% of the sales will go to the refurbishment of our art die cut machines and block dies. You can help raise money by ordering custom designed Christmas cards. Your support is appreciated.

**19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> - Thanksgiving Grocery Bag Collection Day.**

**19<sup>th</sup>** – KINDERGARTEN / 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE THANKSGIVING FEAST

**19<sup>TH</sup>** Environmental Day Assembly – 1:00 p.m

**20<sup>th</sup>** In honor of the big game on Saturday, S.M.M.S will participate in...



**CROSS TOWN RIVALS DAY!!!** –

Students are allowed to wear a tee-shirts, sweat shirts and accessories (no hats) of their favorite team....

USC or UCLA.

**21<sup>st</sup>** **ALL SCHOOL THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION !!**

7:45 a.m – Presentation and blessing of the Christian Service bags

8:15 a.m – All School Mass – formal Mass attire required.

**24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Holiday – No school, no daycare. School will be closed for repairs.**

**DECEMBER**

2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Santa's Secret Shop

6<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Tree/wreath/ centerpiece PICK UP

8<sup>TH</sup> - Junior High Science Fair

15<sup>th</sup> - Faculty Meeting

16<sup>th</sup> – Las Posadas Prayer Service

17<sup>th</sup> – Fall Sports Banquet

19<sup>th</sup> – Noon Dismissal

19<sup>th</sup> CHRISTMAS CONCERT

22<sup>ND</sup> – Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> – No school, no daycare. School will be closed for repairs. Open Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

Enjoy your week! I know we will ( :

Mrs. Zimmerman