

# WEEKLY UPDATE

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## CALENDAR REMINDERS

### January 2026

- **Monday, January 5th**
  - School Resumes
  - Free Out of Uniform Day
- **Wednesday, January 7th**
  - Slade Night at Italia's Corner Cafe!
    - 4PM - 9PM
    - Part of proceeds benefit Slade!
- **Thursday, January 8th**
  - MAP Testing - Reading
    - Grades 2 - 8 Only
- **Friday, January 9th**
  - Slade Spirit Wear Day
  - Student Snack Sale
  - Brown Bag Breakfasts - Pre-K4 & K
- **Saturday, January 10th**
  - HASA Sports Cards & Collectibles Show @ 9AM in Slade Cafeteria
- **Tuesday, January 13th**
  - MAP Testing - Math
    - Grades 2 - 8 Only
- **Wednesday, January 14th**
  - MAP Testing - Language Usage
    - Grades 2 - 8 Only
- **Friday, January 16th**
  - Slade Spirit Wear Day

**Check Out Our  
Full Calendar Here:  
[Slade Website Calendar](#)**

## NEWS & NOTES

### • Help Boost Our Indoor PE/Recess Fun!

When the gymnasium is occupied and indoor PE and/or recess rolls around, Ms. Blade needs fun board games to keep our kiddos smiling! Please consider donating from her Amazon Wish List to help make rainy/cold days better & brighter. Thank you in advance for your support!

**[Click Here to View the Amazon Wish List!](#)**

### • Winter MAP Testing Schedule (Grades 2 - 8)

The Winter MAP Testing Schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup> - Reading
- Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> - Math
- Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> - Language Usage

### • Notice for ALL Students - Outdoor Recess!

As the colder weather continues to settle in, we ask that students come to school with appropriate outerwear—including a warm jacket, hat, and gloves—so they can comfortably participate in outdoor recess. While we monitor conditions closely and will keep students indoors if the real feel temperature is too low, our goal is for everyone to enjoy recess safely each day. Thank you for helping ensure our children are prepared for the winter weather!



## SPORTS SECTION

### • New Sports Commissioners Needed

We need to fill the following positions:

- County Basketball Commissioner
- Soccer Commissioner
- Lacrosse Commissioner

All Commissioner positions receive FREE registration for each sport that your child/ren play for Slade. You are required to pay for any uniforms required.

Please email [SladeACPresident@gmail.com](mailto:SladeACPresident@gmail.com) for more information on how to apply. All positions receive full service hours each year.

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## FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Follow Monsignor Slade Catholic School on social media for important reminders, updates, and a peek into the amazing things happening inside our school each day. Don't miss out—join our online community today!



## NURSE NEWS

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you and your family had a restful and enjoyable break. As we welcome students back to school, I would like to share a few important health reminders to help keep our school community healthy.

Please remember NOT to send your child to school if they are sick. Students should remain at home if they are experiencing symptoms such as fever 100.0 degrees F or higher, vomiting, diarrhea, persistent cough, sore throat, or any flu-like symptoms. Children should be fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication before returning to school.

Sending a sick child to school increases the risk of spreading illness to classmates & staff and can delay your child's own recovery. If your child becomes ill during the school day, you will be contacted to pick them up as soon as possible.

We also encourage you to remind your children of good hygiene practices, including frequent handwashing, covering coughs and sneezes, and using hand sanitizer when appropriate.

Thank you for your cooperation and partnership in keeping our students & staff healthy and safe. Please feel free to contact the health office if you have any questions or concerns.

Wishing everyone a healthy start to the new year.

Slade Nurses

nurse@msladeschool.com; 410.766.7130 x2122

NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 9TH

# THE WIZARD OF OZ



## HELP NEEDED



Hi Families,

We're excited to share that preparations for our school musical, The Wizard of Oz, are officially underway! As we begin organizing all the moving pieces, we're looking to build an amazing team of parent volunteers to help bring our production to life.

Our goal is to form small groups in the following areas, each with 1-2 parents willing to help lead:

- **Props Team** – Help gather, create, or organize items like baskets, poppies, and other Oz-themed props.
- **Makeup Team** – Assist with simple show-day makeup and guide students during rehearsals.
- **Costume Team** – Support with costume pieces, fittings, organizing, and final show-day prep.
- **Meal & Snack Planning** – Coordinate simple meals or snacks for longer rehearsals and show days.

We also have a few optional roles that would be incredibly helpful if you're available or have specific skills:

- **Set Décor Assistants** – Help paint, decorate, or prepare simple set pieces (think Yellow Brick Road, Emerald City touches, etc.).
- **Backstage Helpers** – Support students during rehearsals & performances by helping with organization & transitions.
- **House & Hospitality Crew** – Assist with greeting families, programs, and general audience needs on performance day.
- **Photography/Video** – Capture moments during rehearsals

We are also open to any additional volunteer ideas you may have! If there's a talent, hobby, or resource you'd like to bring to the table, we'd love to hear it.

If you're interested in leading or joining any of these groups, please email Mr. Carter at [J.carter@msladeschool.com](mailto:J.carter@msladeschool.com) with your name and the area(s) you'd like to help with. Even a small amount of time makes a big difference—and the students absolutely love seeing their families involved.

Thank you so much for your support and for helping make The Wizard of Oz magical for our students!

# **BROWN BAG BREAKFAST**

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For the month of January, students in

## **Grades Pre-K4 & Kindergarten**

are asked to contribute two brown bag breakfasts on

**Friday, January 9th**

Each student in Grades Pre-K4 & Kindergarten will receive two brown bags on Wednesday, 1/7/2026, to use as they “bag a breakfast.” Your breakfast donations should include one of each of the following:

- 1. Small box of cereal or packet of oatmeal w/cup & spoon**
- 2. Pop Tart, Nutrigrain Bar, or Granola Bar**
- 3. Applesauce cup, fruit cup, or box of raisins**
- 4. Hot chocolate pack w/cup & spoon**
- 5. Juice Box**
- 6. Napkin**

There will be volunteers at the carport entrance to collect the bagged breakfasts on Friday morning. All breakfast bags should be dropped off by 8:00AM at the carport.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!



GRADES K-8  
ALL SKILL LEVELS

MONDAYS

3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

2/9/26 - 5/11/26

No club meeting on school closure or early dismissal days

TUITION: \$255  
FOR 12 WEEKS



## MONSIGNOR SLADE CHESS CLUB

***Fun is the name of the game...***

*...but Silver Knights Chess Academy also sneaks in a bit of critical thinking, sportsmanship, and patience into chess club!*

*Each week students of all levels do a fun but challenging lesson with one of our great coaches from our world class curriculum followed by practice games against other students in the class.*

*Join the 100,000 (and counting!) kids who've learned chess with us! This in-person club includes online extras like practice tournaments, Chesskid Gold membership (\$49 value) and a bonus lesson with a chess celebrity!*

To register, scan the **QR Code**  
or visit  
**[www.chessacademy.com](http://www.chessacademy.com)**

Questions or financial aid information -  
email: [info@chessacademy.com](mailto:info@chessacademy.com) or call: 703.574.2070

# Heaven Sent Catering LLC



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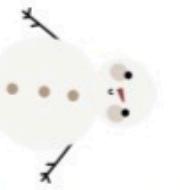
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**Bacon Double  
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\$8.50**

**Chicken  
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**Pizza  
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				1 <i>New Year's Day</i> ←———— SCHOOL, Edu-Care,————→ Extended Care CLOSED	2	3
4	5 Classes Resume Free Out-of-Uniform Day	6	7	8 9 <i>Slade Spirit Day</i> , Br. Bag Breakfasts Gr. PreK-4 & K Student Snack Sale	10 HASA Sports Cards & Collectibles Show 9:00 am - 3:00 pm (Café)	
11	12	13	14	15 16 <i>Slade Spirit Day</i>	17	
18	19 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday</i> School, Edu- Care, Extended Care CLOSED	20	21	22 Tuition Assistance Out-of-Uniform Day \$2 per student	23 <i>Slade Spirit Day</i>	24 Parent Clean Up Day (indoors) 7:30 am - noon
25	26 Mass 10 am	27 <i>Giving Tuesday</i> (support MSCS)	28	29 12:15 pm Dismissal Edu-Care open 7am-5pm Extended Care open 12:15 - 6:00 pm	30 <i>Slade Spirit Day</i>	31 HASA Designer Bag Bingo
				←———— CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK —————→		