

WEEKLY UPDATE

MONSIGNOR SLADE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Next week's calendar:

Saturday, October 30, 2021:

 HASA Trunk or Treat, 6:30-8:00 p.m., Slade parking lot

Monday, November 1, 2021:

- In-school Mass, 10:00 a.m.
- Charlie Brown rehearsal, 3:00-3:45 p.m., Auditorium (See the Google classroom for details)

Wednesday, November 3, 2021:

- Slade Night at Italia's Corner Café, 4-9 p.m.
- HASA Executive Board meeting, 5:30 p.m., Room 110

Thursday, November 4, 2021:

 Advanced Band practice, 2:45-4:00 p.m.

Friday, November 5, 2021:

- Gift Wrap sale Out of uniform for selling 10 items by 10/25/21
- Happy Helpers Brown Bag
 Breakfasts due—Grade 5 & 6



Due to 100% chance of heavy rain in the forecast for today, the HASA Trunk-or-Treat event has been postponed until Saturday, October 30th, from 6:30-8:00 p.m., rain or shine!!

Important News & Notes:

Halloween celebration at school: Due to the unforeseen weather conditions and unexpected closure of school on the 29th, our school Halloween celebration will be post-poned and adjusted slightly. Unfortunately, the children will not be able to wear their costumes to school on Monday, November 1st, as we have an in-school Mass to celebrate All Saints Day. Children must come to school in uniform on Monday; however, in the afternoon, we will allow time for the students to have their Halloween celebrations/parties, including their Big Buddy/Little Buddy activities. We are sure the students will enjoy the break in the afternoon.

Winter uniform reminder: Students are required to wear the complete winter uniform beginning on Monday, November 1st. Please refer to pp 42-43 for grade-specific details of uniform requirements. If you have a need for additional uniform items, please contact our uniform supplier, FlynnOHara Uniforms, to order by phone at 800-441-4122, or by ordering online at www.flynnohara.com/school/md178. You may also visit the local store at 1608 W. Furnace Branch Road, Glen Burnie, Md., 410-684-2816. We have heard that FlynnO'Hara still has many items on backorder. If you are unable to purchase an item due to it being out of stock, please send an email to your child's homeroom teacher to make him/her aware.

Apopka Toy Drive: Attached you will find a letter from Mrs. Cox regarding our annual Christmas service project, the Apopka Toy Drive. Please take a few moments to read about this wonderful service project that Slade has participated in for 40 years! If you would like to participate, purchase one or more new toys with your child, such as good arts & crafts kits, "pretend" jewelry and make-up kits, educational games and books, bicycles, skateboards, scooters, tricycles, helmets, dolls of all colors, cars and trucks, board games and sports balls of all kinds. They can also use diapers, toys, clothing and blankets for infants and toddlers, as well as new socks, pajamas and underwear for boys and girls. We hope that your family will be able to contribute to this worthwhile service project.

Happy Helpers for the Homeless: For the month of November, 5th & 6th graders are asked to contribute two brown bag breakfasts on Friday, November 5th. Each of the students in grades 5 & 6 will receive two brown bags on Wednesday, November 3rd 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

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Important News & Notes (continued):

There will be volunteers at the carport entrance to collect the bagged breakfasts on Friday morning. All breakfast bags should be dropped off by 8:30 a.m. at the carport. Also, if anyone is able to volunteer on Friday morning, we need someone to deliver the bagged breakfasts to the Happy Helpers warehouse space in Halethorpe, Maryland. The location is only about 15 minutes from the school. You can receive service hours for your efforts. Thanks so much to all for your help and generosity!

Student Snack Sale: For those who may not know, it is a tradition here at Monsignor Slade to hold a monthly Student Bake Sale as a treat for our students. Due to COVID restrictions, however, we cannot sell home-baked goods at this time. As a compromise, this year we will offer a Student Snack Sale each month to give the children an opportunity for an occasional treat. Individually-wrapped, pre-packaged treats, such as Little Debbie cakes, Tastykakes, Hostess cupcakes, individual-serving bags of chips, etc., will be sold for 25 cents each. All snacks for sale will be nut-free; additionally, there will be some gluten-free options as well. Look for the student snack sale on the monthly calendar; the November calendar is included with this update. The first Student Snack Sale for this year will be held on November 12th. Please send your child to school that day with a quarter if they wish to buy a special snack.

Grade Level Reminders:

Attention Parents of Grades 3-8: PowerSchool has monthly maintenance scheduled on its servers and there will be downtime associated with this process. The maintenance will begin on 10/30/21 at 3 p.m. and will end on 10/31/21 at 5 p.m. Parents will not be able to access their child(ren)'s academic progress during this time. Thank you for your understanding.

Grades 6-8: The school store has a new bag in stock (optional) for students to carry books, pencil cases, and water bottles between classes. The bags are \$3 each.



Middle School Parents - A virtual High School Fair will take place on November 2 from 5-7 p.m. Please visit: https://www.archbalt.org/schools/our-schools/high-school-admissions/virtual-admissions/ to register for the event, and to receive access details.

8th Grade Parents - If you intend to have your student apply to a Catholic high school, please don't forget to register your student for the December 1st HSPT which will be administered here at Slade. If applying for a Catholic high school in the Baltimore archdiocese, then students <u>must be registered to take the HSPT at Slade</u>; <u>please do not select a high school as the place for your child to test.</u> Please use the following link to access the registration portal:

https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/baltimore.php

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Advancement Announcements:

Fall Open House will be held on November 11, 2021. Prospective families are asked to register online in order to attend and will be limited to two attendees.

Save the Date! Giving Tuesday will take place on November 30, 2021. This movement of global generosity greatly benefits Monsignor Slade Catholic School. We hope to include you in our supporter roll!

Share the Spirit of Slade! Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are now open. If you recommend our school to a prospective family who enrolls a student or students for a full year, you can receive a \$500 tuition credit the following year if your student's name or a parent's name is included on an application and the prospective student is accepted and enrolled for a year.

Tell your Slade story! In a short video (one minute or less) feature Slade students, families, or alumni. Mrs. Hilmer kindly requests .mp4 or .mov format. Inspiration and instructions are available via <u>slideshow</u>. For specific questions or to discuss technical difficulties when sharing your files, please contact Mrs. Hilmer, <u>c.hilmer@msladeschool.com</u> or 410-766-7130.



LAST CALL FOR THE

October Photo Challenge! Send your submissions to c.hilmer@msladeschool.com. We cannot wait to see what you share!

Office Depot Gives Back to Schools! Five percent of your purchases can benefit Monsignor Slade! Just give or enter the school's name or ID: 70046721. If you forget to give the information at the time of purchase, you can enter it here.



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HASA Happenings:

Charleston Wrap fundraiser: This is the last week to order items from the gift wrap sale. With over 2,500 items in the catalog, you can find something for everyone on your holiday list. Please see the flyer attached for more information. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards the purchase of a guided reading library for our school!



Sports Section:

Need Volunteer Hours???

The Athletic Council needs to fill the Lacrosse Commissioner position this year! Without a Commissioner we will not be able to offer the program this Spring. We also need to fill the Field Hockey Commissioner and the Athletic Council President for next school year. All interested parties please email SladeACpresident@gmail.com for more info.

Terrapin Times:

Measurement	Sept. 29, 2021	Oct. 29, 2021	
Weight (grams)	14 g	22g	
Carapace Length (mm)	32.2mm	43.8mm	
Plastron Length (mm)	26.4mm	38mm	
Shell Height (mm)	15.6mm	22.1mm	
Shell Width (mm)	29.1mm	38mm	

Diamondback terrapins, a mostly carnivorous animal, have strong jaws and crushing plates in their mouths. This enables them to eat aquatic snails, crabs, mussels, and clams. They also eat fish, worms and insects. Currently, Poppy's diet consists of small pellets designed especially for hatchling terrapins. She is eating nearly 90 pellets during her one feeding time each school day.





Mission Statement



Dear Parents and Students,

I am excited to tell you about a special tradition we have here at Monsignor Slade Catholic School during Christmastime. Once again, we will be able to participate in sending toys to Apopka, Florida, for "The Christmas Store." This service project has been supported enthusiastically by students, parents and teachers alike for close to 40 years! This year, our Apopka Service Project will begin on Monday, November 1st, and conclude on Wednesday, December 1st.

Apopka is a migrant farm-worker community located just outside Disney World in Orlando, Florida. The farm-workers of Apopka work hard picking crops but are only paid a minimum wage, and struggle to raise their families and provide for daily needs. In an effort to help the workers, the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur developed, "The Christmas Store," a place where donated, new toys are sold for a nominal price. Since the farm-workers are very proud and prefer to buy toys for their children rather than receive charity, they can freely select a gift for their child like we do, and can leave the shop with dignity. All proceeds are turned back to the community to fund educational programs, such as literacy and pesticide training.

If you would like to participate, purchase one or more new toys with your child, such as good arts & crafts kits, "pretend" jewelry and make-up kits, educational games and books, bicycles, skateboards, scooters, tricycles, helmets, dolls of all colors, cars and trucks (especially medium/large vehicles), board games, and sports balls of all kinds. They can also use diapers, toys, clothing and blankets for infants and toddlers as well as new socks, pajamas and underwear for boys and girls. Allowing your child to help select the toy, and if possible, pay for part of it, will make the project more meaningful to your child.

We are very fortunate to have a great relationship with Southwest Airlines, who has generously agreed each year to provide air transport to Florida. Our student council members will pack up the toys on Thursday, December 2nd, and Southwest will come to pick up and then transport the toys to Apopka, Florida, on Friday, December 3rd.

Our efforts in Apopka are greatly appreciated and are truly making a difference in the community. Thank you for your help and support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Alexa L. Cox

Principal



PARENT CLEANING DAY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021 7:30—12 Noon



Please enter the school through the side entrance of the cafeteria (down the outside stairs). Bring your cleaning gloves and a bucket or two. Slade provides the cleansers, scrub brushes, and dirt. Bring your travel mug, bottled water or anything else that will jump start your morning (a snack, an i-Pod, a work buddy).

Because parents do not need to be VIRTUS compliant,
CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18
ARE <u>NOT</u> ALLOWED!

Come help us make Slade shine! THANK YOU!



November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Winter uniform begins In-school Mass Apopka Toy Drive begins Charlie Brown Rehearsal 2:45-3:45 p.m.	2	3 Slade Night at Italia's Corner Café 4-9 p.m. HASA Exec. Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.	4	5 Brown Bag Breakfasts - Gr. 5 & 6	Parent Cleaning Day 7:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
7	Charlie Brown Rehearsal 2:45-3:45 p.m.	9 Advancement Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.	10	Open House for Prospective Parents 8:30-10:30 a.m.	12 Student Snack Sale	13
14	Charlie Brown Rehearsal 2:45-3:45 p.m.	16	17 Athletic Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	18	Tuition Assistance Out-of-uniform Day \$2 per student	20
21	Charlie Brown Rehearsal 2:45-3:45 p.m.	23	24 Trimester 1 ends	SCHOOL CLOSED Thanksgiving Holiday		27
28	29 Trimester 2 begins Charlie Brown Rehearsal 2:45-3:45 p.m.	30				