

November 3, 2023

# ST. MARK'S WEEKLY

## #LIONSLOVELEARNING

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

## Uniform Reminder

Brrr! As the chilly weather creeps in and kiddos need to stay toasty, make sure they're bundled up in Lands' End or Sir Walter approved gear.

## Wounded Warrior Project (WWP)

Students are learning about the Wounded Warrior Project and about Veterans Day in class. Please consider supporting WWP with a donation via the website listed on the [flyer](#) and/or by student change donation.

Nov. 5 @ 2 a.m. – End of Daylight Savings Time – Fall back 1 hour.

Nov. 6 – Q2 Progress Reports

Nov. 7 – Book Bash Breakfast

Nov. 9 – ALL School Photo 8:30 a.m.

Nov. 10 – Veterans' Day Chapel

Nov. 13-15 – Scholastic Book Fair

Nov. 14 – Books and Bingo 5:30-7:30 p.m.

NOTE:

All-school photo date changed from Nov. 6th to Nov. 9th.



This year's first book fair is November 13th-15th. Mrs. Parsons is in need of volunteers to help run the book fair between the hours of 8-3 each day. Also, P&F will be hosting Books & Bingo November 14th from 6-8 pm. Please sign up for a specific day and time to help out. Mrs. Parsons greatly appreciates your support in making this an awesome event for your children.

<https://signup.com/go/NOHkuyk>





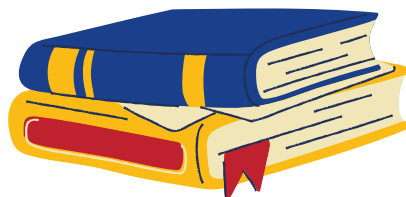
# St. Mark's Episcopal Academy

## GET READY TO READ!

# BOOK ASH BREAKFASTS

1st-6th Graders

1. Check out and read a SSYRA book.
2. Take the book test on Book Taco.
3. Score an 80% or higher.
4. Earn a brag tag.
5. Complete 4 or more books in a quarter and earn an invite to the Book Breakfast Bash.
  - Official book count begins now!
  - Breakfast dates
    - November 7th
    - January 16th
    - March 19th
    - May 14th



# ★ HONOR THEIR COURAGE ★



Dear Parent,

This letter is to inform you that we are taking part in Honor Their Courage, a program focused on Veterans Day. Launched in 2020, this initiative by Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) utilizes Veterans Day to teach students in K-12 about the history, sacrifices, and experiences of service members.

Wounded Warrior Project is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to honor and empower injured veterans. Since its founding in 2003, WWP has been transforming the lives of America's injured veterans and their families through programs and services in mental health, career counseling, and long-term rehabilitative care, along with advocacy efforts, improving the lives of millions of warriors and their families.

Through this initiative, WWP is providing downloadable lesson plans and activities for your child to learn age-appropriate information about Veterans Day, including material on military values, reading lists, social and emotional learning, and word association exercises. WWP is also providing custom videos to support the above activities and value discussions lead by warriors on the core tenants of the military: Commitment, Honor, Courage, Service, and Integrity.

We can incorporate school-focused activities to bring our school community together for a good cause. There is an optional fundraising component through Honor Their Courage. Students are encourage to donate change to the Wounded Warrior Project. If you feel so inclined to make a donation to WWP, please do so via the following link:

<https://communityfundraising.woundedwarriorproject.org/participant/15402>

At WWP, they say that the greatest casualty is being forgotten. With the willingness of your child to learn and give back, they can be part of a generation that ensures this does not happen to our nation's injured veterans. To learn more about the lifesaving programs and services that WWP offers to injured veterans and their families, please go to [woundedwarriorproject.org](http://woundedwarriorproject.org)

Thank you!

Justin Smith - HoS



# ACADEMY SUNDAY

at St. Mark's Episcopal Church



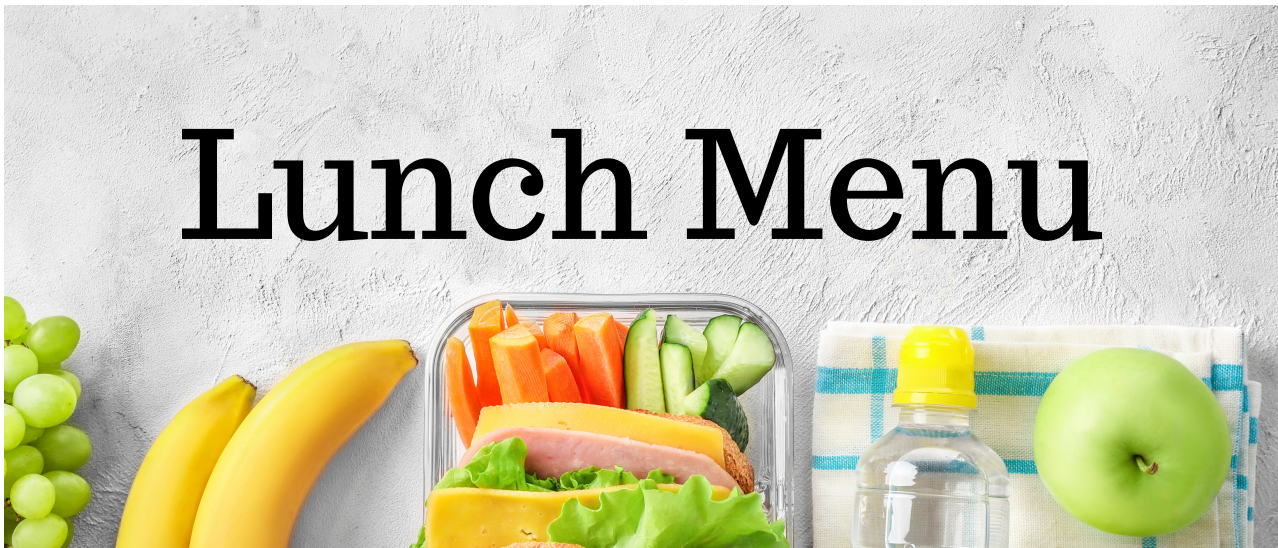
DECEMBER 10, 2023

4:00 PM Service

Go to <https://tinyurl.com/academysun> if your child would like to sing a special holiday song with their peers.

TRADITION. INNOVATION. INSPIRATION.

# Lunch Menu



## November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Pulled Pork Sliders, Roasted Potato Wedges, Honey Carrots Chicken Caesar Wrap w/ Fruit & Chips	2 Meatballs w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Chef Salad w/ Egg, Ham, Turkey, Cheese, Tomato w/ Ranch Dressing	3 No Lunches Today	4 No Lunches Today
5 No Lunches Today	6 Fish Sticks and French Fries with Mixed Vegetables Turkey & Cheese Wrap w/ Fruit & Chips	7 Baked Ziti with Beef Meatballs, Broccoli V - Baked Ziti with Cheese Chicken Caesar Wrap w/ Fruit & Chips	8 BBQ Chicken Breast w/ Mac & Cheese & Green Beans Ham and Cheese on Roll w/ Chips and Applesauce	9 Chicken Alfredo Pasta w/ Broccoli V - Alfredo Pasta with Veggies Chicken Salad on Roll w/ Chips & Fruit	10 Cheese Burger with Fries and Corn Italian Sub w/ Fruit & Popcorn	11 No Lunches Today
12 No Lunches Today	13 Cilantro Chicken with Black Beans and Rice with Broccoli V - Black Beans and Rice with Cilantro Sauce Classic Cuban Sandwich with Grapes and Chips	14 Chicken Teriyaki with Noodles and vegetables Turkey and Cheese Sandwich with Chips and Fruit	15 Hot Ham and Cheese Sub with Green Beans and Tots Italian Sub w/ Fruit & Popcorn	16 Mild Boneless Chicken Wings with Fries and Carrots and Celery Chicken Salad on Roll w/ Chips & Fruit	17 Hot Dog w/Fries & Green Beans Chicken Caesar wrap with fruit and chips	18 No Lunches Today
19 No Lunches Today	20 No Lunches Today	21 No Lunches Today	22 No Lunches Today	23 No Lunches Today	24 No Lunches Today	25 No Lunches Today
26 No Lunches Today	27 Sliced Chicken and Gravy w/ Mashed Potatoes & Peas Classic Cuban Sandwich with Grapes and Chips	28 Spaghetti with Meatsauce, Broccoli with Cheese V - Spaghetti with Marinara Roast Beef Wrap w/ Chips & Applesauce	29 Chicken Nuggets w/ Green Beans & Mac n Cheese V - Veggie Nggets Chicken Salad on White Bread w/ Chips & Fruit	30 Orange Chicken w/Chow Mein Noodles & Broccoli Club Sandwich w/Turkey, Roast Beef & Bacon w/Fruit & Fritos		

V= Vegetarian Option

# BOOKS & BINGO



Join Us for a Fun P&F Family Event  
Tuesday, November 14th

Thursby Hall Doors Open at 5.45 PM

Scholastic Book Fair will be  
open for shopping throughout the event.



\$2 Pizza Slices, \$1 soda or water, \$3 beer, and \$5 wine

Bingo Begins at 6 00 PM

-includes 5 Games of Bingo

Presale - \$20.00 for 5 game cards

At the Door Price - \$5.00 for each game card

Go to <https://tinyurl.com/smeabooksandbingo> to preorder.



All Students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for the  
entire evening.

Please use this QR code to volunteer to help.



# Parents & Friends Events

## 2023-2024



### AUGUST

8TH - USED UNIFORM SALE  
16TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Thursby  
Hall  
24TH - BACK TO SCHOOL  
NIGHT  
25TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK

### SEPTEMBER

20TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Thursby  
Hall

### OCTOBER

18TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Thursby  
Hall  
27TH - FALL FESTIVAL

### NOVEMBER

13TH-16TH - SCHOLASTIC  
BOOK FAIR  
14th - BOOKS AND BINGO  
15TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Thursby  
Hall  
17TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK

### DECEMBER

6-8TH - HOLIDAY SHOP  
13TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Library  
15TH - ADVENT & SONG

### JANUARY

12TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK  
17TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Thursby  
Hall

### FEBRUARY

9TH - VALENTINES DANCE  
16TH - GRANDPARENT'S DAY  
21ST - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Thursby Hall

### MARCH

20TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Library

### APRIL

12TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK  
17TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR - Library  
20TH - 80'S PROM GALA  
26TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK

### MAY

7TH - BOOKS & BINGO  
6TH - 9TH -BOGO BOOK FAIR  
15TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS  
HAPPY HOUR -  
Thursby Hall

### JUNE

**\*\*\*ALL DATES & EVENTS  
ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\***  
FURTHER INFO WILL BE  
FORTHCOMING AS EVENTS  
COME CLOSER

### JULY

*Summer*  




**Fall Semester**

Tuesday, August 1	Used Uniform Sale – 11:00AM-1:00PM
Wednesday, August 2	Teachers Return
Monday, August 7	New Parent Orientation – 6:00 PM
Tuesday, August 8	Meet & Greet 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Tuesday, August 8	Used Uniform Sale Thursby Hall – 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Wednesday, August 9	Students Return - 1st Day of School
Wednesday, August 16	New Parent Coffee - 8:30am – Thursby Hall
Wednesday, August 23	Yearbook Picture Day
Thursday, August 24	Parents Back-to-School Night – 5:15 PM – 7:30 PM
Monday, September 4	Labor Day - <b>(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)</b>
Monday, September 11	Q1 Interim Progress Reports
Tuesday, October 3	Blessing of the Animals – 2:30PM
Friday, October 6	End of Q1 - 1pm Dismissal for All – No Aftercare
Monday, October 9	Columbus Day - <b>(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)</b>
Monday, October 16	Q1 Report Cards Issued
Friday, October 20	Parent/Teacher Conferences <b>(No School for Students)</b>
Friday, October 27	Spooky Science Day/ Fall Festival
Wednesday, November 1	All Saints' Day Chapel
Friday, November 3	Professional Development Day <b>(No School for Students)</b>
Monday, November 6	Q2 Interim Progress Reports
<del>Monday, November 6</del> <b>Thursday, November 9</b>	All School Photo @ 8:40 AM
Friday, November 10	Veterans Day Chapel
Monday – Thursday, November 13-16	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday, November 14	Books and Bingo 5:30-7:30
Friday, November 17	Storybook Dress Up Day - <b>(1 PM Dismissal)</b> No Children's Center
Monday – Friday, November 20-24	Thanksgiving Week - <b>(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)</b>
Thursday– Friday, December 7-8	Holiday Shop
Friday, December 15	End of Q2 & Advent in Song <b>(1 PM Dismissal)</b> No Children's Center
Monday, Dec. 18 –Tuesday, January 2	Christmas Break

**Spring Semester**

Tuesday, January 2	Teachers Return
Wednesday, January 3	Students Return
Friday, January 5	Q2 Report Cards
Monday, January 15	Martin Luther King Day <b>-(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)</b>
Thursday, January 25	Prospective Family Event
Thursday, February 1	Yearbook Photo Retake Day
Monday, February 5	Q3 Interim Progress Reports
Wednesday, February 14	Ash Wednesday
Friday, February 16	Grandparents' Day <b>(11:00 Dismissal)</b> – No Children's Center
Monday, February 19	Presidents' Day <b>-(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)</b>
Tuesday, February 20	<b>Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL</b>
Tuesday, March 5	Spring Photo Day
Thursday, March 7	Science & Innovation Night
Friday, March 8	End of Q3
Thursday, March 14	Q3 Report Cards Issued
Friday, March 15	Parent/Teacher Conferences - <b>(No School for Students)</b>
Friday, March 22	Field Day – Noon Dismissal -No Aftercare
Monday- Friday, March 25-29	<b>Spring Break</b>
Monday, April 1	Easter Monday - <b>(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)</b>
Saturday, April 20	Gala Night
Monday, April 22	Q4 Interim Progress Reports <b>(Holiday for All – NO SCHOOL)</b>
Friday, May 3	May Day
Tuesday, May 7	Books and Bingo Night 6 pm-8 pm
Monday-Thursday, May 6-9	BOGO Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday, May 15	<b>Morning Awards Chapel</b>
Thursday, May 23	<b>Final Chapel/Crossover/Graduation/Last Day of School (11:00 Dismissal)</b>
Friday, May 24 and Tuesday, May 28	Post-planning for Faculty
Monday, June 3	Q4 Report Cards and Summer Packets Emailed

*Calendar is Subject to Change. Revised 4/20/23*