

# School News

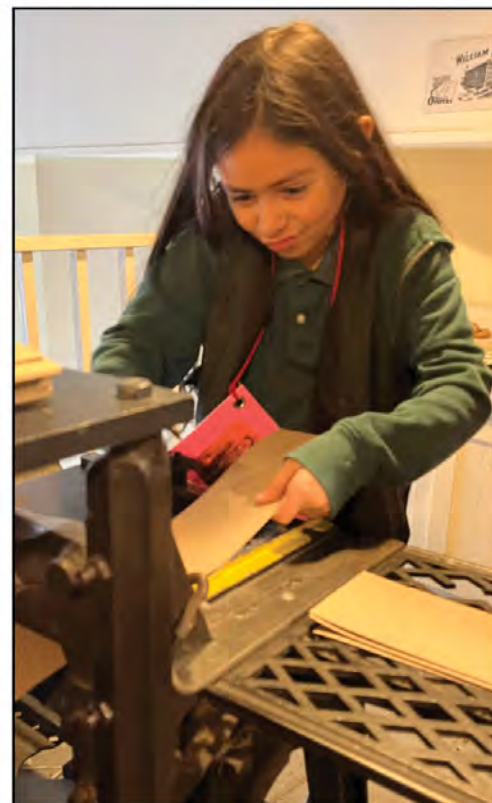


A peek behind our classroom doors

January 7, 2024



### Fourth Grade Field Trip to the Baltimore Museum of Industry



### Seventh Grade Visits Luray Caverns



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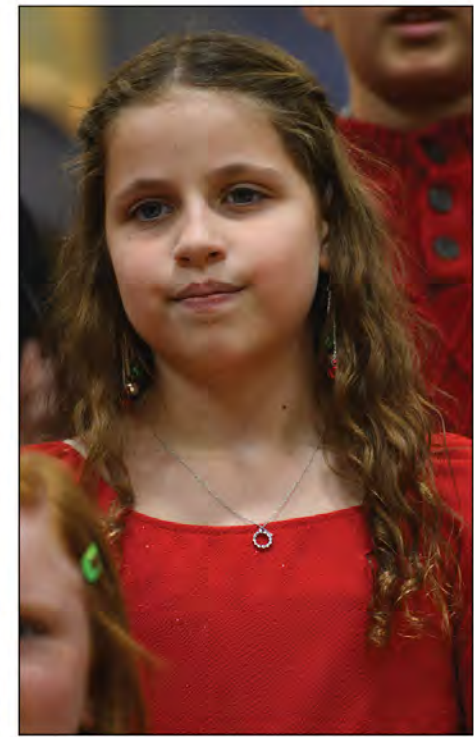
## Merry and Bright! 🎵



From preschool through eighth grade, our singers and musicians capture the spirit of the season through their performances in our annual Christmas pageants.



Photos by Laura Magafan and Tom Carrington



For more photos (and videos!) from our Christmas pageants, visit our Facebook Page

**2024-25  
Nursery School  
registration is  
now open!**

Registration for St. Raphael Nursery School 2024-25 is now open. The link can be found at [www.srnsm.org](http://www.srnsm.org).

SRNS offers programs for 3-year-olds, 4-year-olds, and 4-Plus. For questions, contact Julie Cress at [jcress@straphaels.org](mailto:jcress@straphaels.org) or (301) 762-2143.



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JANUARY 21, 2024



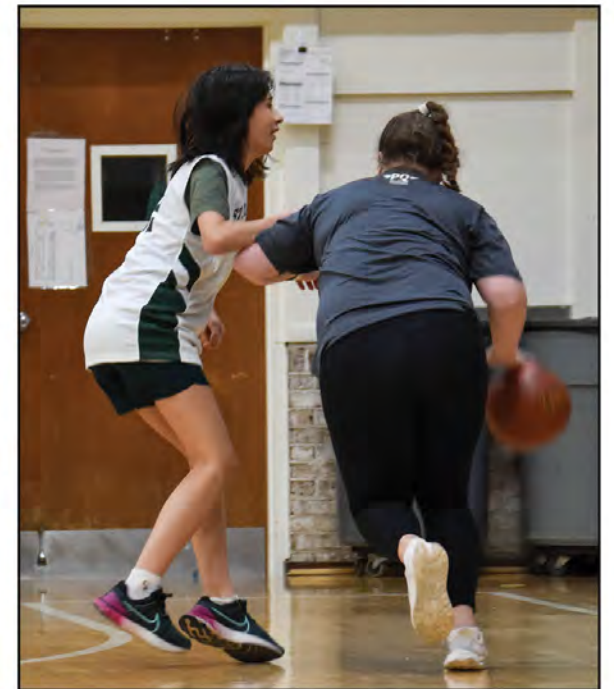
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## Let's go, Angels!



Spirit Day celebrates our CYO and SRS basketball teams and showcases a matchup between eighth grade and staff. Go, Angels!





## Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week (CSW) has been celebrating Catholic education nationwide since 1974. Over the past year, St. Raphael School and Nursery School have had even more reasons to celebrate. The Nursery School is 1 of 12 early learning schools in Maryland accredited by Cognia! Which now means St. Raphael's is accredited from nursery school through eighth grade. The CSW Committee has planned a terrific lineup of events as we celebrate St. Raphael School and Nursery School and all those who make our community so special.



Catholic Schools  
United in Faith and Community

Students can participate in Teacher Tuesday and dress like a teacher (they must match the teacher).

### Wednesday, Jan. 31

**Community Outreach Day:** SRS students will be asked to provide essential items for three foster children through 'Foster the Family DC.' The nonprofit is seeking donated items for specific ages and genders, including clothes, hygiene essentials, comfort items, and a meal gift card

for the family. It is also, **Clergy Appreciation Day:** Students express their appreciation of our priests with handwritten letters completed in school, along with a gift from SRS. Just for fun, students get to wear their Patriotic colors of red, white and blue.

### Thursday, Feb. 1

**Career Day,** where nursery school students and grades K-3 dress as their favorite professionals while grades 4-8 hear from parents about their careers.

### Friday, Feb. 2

**Student Appreciation Day:** SRS and SRNS students receive class pictures as a gift from the school. **Family Fun Night** closes out CSW with a dance party. Learn new moves from Unique Dreams Entertainment's DJ at the neon/glow FFN event, eat pizza, and have ice cream while spending time with your family and classmates. The fun starts at the beginning of the school day when the students can wear their PJs to school!

### Sunday, Jan. 28

**Celebrating Our Parish School:** We kick off CSW at 10 a.m. Mass, where students from area Catholic schools wear their uniforms to show their school pride, followed by a reception and slideshow in the Trumpet Room.

### Monday, Jan. 29

**Parent Appreciation Day:** Parents are treated to a gift bag of goodies—offered with gratitude for the sacrifice they make to send their children to SRS and SRNS. It's also Sports Day Monday for the students - they can dress out of uniform and wear a jersey or shirt of one of their favorite teams.

### Tuesday, Jan. 30

**Teacher Appreciation Day:** Staff members feel the love as they enjoy a special dinner, where they receive a booklet of heartfelt letters from students.

## Nursery School Fun



Students in Mrs. Smith's 4-year-old class hold a conference call to discuss if they are having fun. That's BANANAS - of course they are having fun!!



Mrs. Samper's 3-year-old class made King crowns and followed a star to find baby Jesus. They found him laying in the manger and learned all about the Epiphany.