

January 17, 2025



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Kayak Pickup

Families that have loaned Mrs. James kayaks are free to pick them up next week. Thank you for letting her borrow them. It was very helpful!



Prospective Parent Night

Please consider inviting your friends and neighbors to our Prospective Parent Night (Open House) on January 23rd. * If someone you refer enrolls at St. Mark's, you will receive a finder's fee in the amount of \$500 towards tuition.



Dress Code Reminders

Please note the policy regarding cold-weather gear - Only St. Mark's logo'd sweaters/jackets/coats may be worn indoors. Hats are to be worn outside only. Leggings must be navy or black.

1/20 - MLK Jr. Day - No School

1/21 - Qtr 2 Report Cards

1/21 - RiverKidz Award Chapel

1/23 - Prospective Parent Night

1/28 - 1st Grade Chapel Presentation

1/28 - Honor Roll Chapel

2/3 - 100th Day of School

2/6 - Yearbook Photo Retake Day



JANUARY UPDATES

NEW YEAR - NEW TERM

SAYING GOODBYE

CHANGE IS DIFFICULT FOR EVERYONE. AND, WHILE OUR FAMILY IS LEAVING THE SCHOOL, PLEASE KNOW THAT WE HAVE TRULY ENJOYED THE GREAT RELATIONSHIPS OUR FAMILY HAS FORMED WITH ALL OF YOU. "FRIENDS ARE FRIENDS FOREVER", AND SLOANE & ISLA HAVE MADE LASTING FRIENDS. THANK YOU- TO ALL OF THE WONDERFUL FAMILIES AT ST. MARK'S, THIS IS A SPECIAL SCHOOL COMMUNITY. MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU FOR THE BEST FINISH TO THIS SCHOOL YEAR, AND WE WILL MISS YOU!

-THE WESTER FAMILY



OPEN HOUSE - 1/23/25

St. Mark's will be welcoming prospective families for the 2025-2026 school year. This event will be from 6:00 - 7:30 PM, with presentations from the staff. If you know of prospective families looking for a great school community - please refer them to Mrs. Debbie Parsons. For more information, please call:
(321) 639-5771
parsonsd@stmarksacademy.org

Parent Coffee Fridays: are held each Friday, following Chapel at 8:30 AM in Thursby Hall. Parents will have the opportunity to speak with SMEA school board members and Father Pessah. Please join us to learn about all the upcoming events and projects taking place, and get answers to any questions you may have.



PreK-3- 6th Grade Open House



**ACADEMIC
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**DAILY PHYSICAL
EDUCATION**



**MARINE SCIENCE
PROGRAM**



**ALL FAITHS
WELCOME**

January 23, 2025

6:00PM - 7:30PM

**2 CHURCH STREET
COCOA, FL 32922**

PHONE: (321) 639-5771

www.stmarksacademy.org

Please join us for the 2025 Prospective Parent Open House

Events

- 6:00-6:30** Meet the teachers and light refreshments
- 6:30-7:30** Welcome from Father Pessah (Rector)
and Debbie Parsons (Admissions Officer)
- Welcome from Alison Olivieri (1st grade)
and Karis James (STEAM)
- Parent Testimonials
- Alumni/Graduate Speaker - Gianna Orlick
- Video Presentation
- Q&A

Please RSVP by scanning the QR Code
or at

<https://tinyurl.com/SMEAOpenHouse25>



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BINGO NIGHT



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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 AT 6 PM

Join Parents and Friends for pizza,
drinks, bingo and prizes!
Thursby Hall doors open at 5:45 p.m.

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To pre-purchase your tickets, go to
<https://tinyurl.com/SMEAFebBingo>
or scan the QR Code.



ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL ACADEMY
ANNUAL GALA



SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025

6PM - 10PM

**CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER OF BREVARD
1100 ROCKLEDGE BLVD.
ROCKLEDGE, FL 32955**

VIP TICKET: \$150*

Includes VIP Happy Hour from 5pm-6pm with free drinks and hors d'oeuvres, as well as dinner and entertainment

GENERAL ADMISSION TICKET: \$100

Includes two drink tickets, dinner, and entertainment

**St. Mark's Alumni will receive a VIP ticket for the price of General Admission*



SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER: \$3,500

Company logo/Family name on all event promotional material and social media* / Promotional display available for your company during the welcome / Company name announced during the event / Eight (8) VIP tickets to the event / Premium reserved table location with designated sign / Two (2) complimentary bottles of wine will await your guests

GOLDENEYE: \$2,500

Company logo/Family name on all event promotional material and social media* / Company name announced during the event / Six (6) VIP tickets to the event / Premium reserved table location with designated sign / One (1) complimentary bottle of wine will await your guests

FROM RUSSIA

WITH LOVE: \$1,000

Company logo/Family name on all event promotional material and social media* / Four (4) VIP tickets to the event / Reserved place cards for your guests

QUANTUM OF SOLACE: \$500

Company logo/Family name on all event promotional material and social media* / Two (2) VIP tickets to the event / Reserved place cards for your guests



**To have your name and logo printed on event promotional material, your sponsorship check and company logo must be submitted to the SMEA office before the printing deadline.*

Do you love St. Mark's Academy? If so, please share your love on one or all of the school review sites below.

Simply click on the logos. Thank you!



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**HELP GET THE WORD
OUT!**

**CLICK ON ONE OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
WEBSITES TO LEAVE A REVIEW**



As St. Mark's continues to grow - we need your assistance to help reach new families. YOU can assist SMEA by engaging with our social media pages.

Please go on to the following page links to: follow, like, share and comment:

- **Facebook** - <https://www.facebook.com/stmarksepiscopalacademy/>
- **Instagram** - <https://www.instagram.com/stmarksepiscopalacademy/>
- **Website** - <https://www.stmarksacademy.org/>
- **LinkedIn** - <https://www.linkedin.com/company/st-mark-s-episcopal-academy>

This is a great way to show your support of SMEA, and promote our community to your friends and family. We will be sending out a parent email with all of these links. Mr. Wester will draw one parent that is engaging with our social media - to claim a small gift for helping our school!

Fall Semester

Monday, August 5	Used Uniform Sale – 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM - Thursby Hall
Wednesday, August 7	Teachers Return
Monday, August 12	Parent Orientation – 6:00 PM
Tuesday, August 13	Meet & Greet 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Tuesday, August 13	Used Uniform Sale Thursby Hall – 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Wednesday, August 14	Students Return - 1st Day of School
Wednesday, August 21	New Parent Coffee - 8:30 AM – Thursby Hall
Wednesday, August 28	Yearbook Picture Day
Thursday, August 29	Parents Back-to-School Night – 5:15 PM – 7:30 PM
Monday, September 2	Labor Day - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Tuesday, September 10	Family Bingo Night 5:45 PM
Monday, September 16	Qtr 1 Interim Progress Reports
Friday, October 4	Blessing of the Animals – 12:35 PM
Monday, October 14	Columbus Day - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Friday, October 18	End of Q1/ Fall Festival
Thursday, October 24	Qtr 1 Report Cards
Friday, October 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School for Students)
Friday, November 1	All Saints' Day Chapel
Friday, November 8	Professional Development Day (No School for Students)
Monday, November 11	Qtr 2 Interim Progress Reports
Monday, November 11	Veterans Day Chapel
Monday – Wednesday, November 11-13	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday, November 12	Books and Bingo 5:45-7:45
Friday, November 15	Fall into Science Day/Cookies in the Park Afterschool
Wednesday, November 20	All School Photo @ 8:40 AM
Friday, November 22	Grandparent's Day - (12 PM Dismissal) No Aftercare
Monday – Friday, November 25-29	Thanksgiving Week - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Wednesday – Friday, December 11-13	Holiday Shop
Friday, December 20	Advent in Song (12 PM Dismissal) No Aftercare
Monday, December 23 – Monday, January 6	Christmas Break

Spring Semester

Monday, January 6	Students Return - Hurricane Makeup Day
Friday, January 10	End of Qtr2
Monday, January 20	Martin Luther King Day -(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Tuesday, January 21	Qtr 2 Report Cards
Thursday, January 23	Prospective Family Event
Thursday, February 6	Yearbook Photo Retake Day
Monday, February 10	Qtr 3 Interim Progress Reports
Friday, February 14	6th Grade Valentine's Day Celebration/ 1 PM Dismissal – No Aftercare
Monday, February 17	Presidents' Day -(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Tuesday, February 18	Hurricane Makeup Day
Tuesday, February 25	Family Bingo Night 5:45 PM
Wednesday, March 5	Ash Wednesday
Thursday, March 6	Spring Photo Day
Friday, March 7	Storybook Dress-Up Day/End of Qtr 3
Thursday, March 13	Science & Innovation Night
Thursday, March 13	Qtr 3 Report Cards Issued
Friday, March 14	Parent/Teacher Conferences - (No School for Students)
Monday- Friday, March 17-21	Spring Break
Friday, March 28	Field Day – Noon Dismissal -No Aftercare
Saturday, April 12	Gala Night
Thursday, April 17	Qtr 4 Interim Progress Reports
Friday, April 18	Good Friday - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Monday, April 21	Easter Monday - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Friday, May 2	May Day - 11 AM Civic Center
Monday-Thursday, May 5-8	BOGO Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday, May 6	Books and Bingo Night 6 pm-8 pm
Wednesday, May 21	Morning Awards Chapel
Friday, May 23	Final Chapel/Crossover/Graduation/Last Day of School (12:00 Dismissal)/Hurricane Makeup
Tuesday, May 27 and Wednesday, May 28	Post-planning for Faculty
Tuesday, June 3	Qtr 4 Report Cards and Summer Packets Emailed

Parents & Friends Events

2024-2025



AUGUST

12TH - PARENT ORIENTATION
13TH - USED UNIFORM SALE
20th - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am- Library,
29TH - BACK TO SCHOOL
NIGHT

SEPTEMBER

6TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
10TH - BINGO NIGHT
18TH- PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am- Thursby

OCTOBER

16TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby
18TH - FALL FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER

11TH-15TH - BOOK FAIR
12TH - BOOKS & BINGO
15TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
20TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby
22ND - GRANDPARENTS DAY

DECEMBER

6 TH - PARENTS NIGHT OUT
11-13TH - HOLIDAY SHOP
18TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Library
20TH - ADVENT & SONG

JANUARY

15TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby

FEBRUARY

7TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
14TH - VALENTINES DANCE
19TH- PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby
25TH - BINGO NIGHT

MARCH

19TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby

APRIL

12TH - CASINO NIGHT GALA
16TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Library

MAY

6TH - BOOKS & BINGO
5TH - 8TH - BOOK FAIR
9TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
15TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby

JUNE

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

JULY

Summer
