

NOVEMBER 2025

ST. MATTHEW SPECIALS

NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT DATES

- Nov 26-28 -Thanksgiving
- Dec 11 - K-5 Advent Concert
6:30PM (in the church)
- Dec 19-Jan 4- Christmas Break
- Jan 31 - ISSMA Solo and Ensemble
- TBA- ISSMA Band Contest
- Feb 7 - CYO Music Contest
- Jan 27 -Talent Show - 1:15 PM
- Feb 12-Warrior Showcase 6-7 PM
- Feb 20 - Annie Jr. - 6:30 PM
- April 23 - MS Band Concert 6:30 PM
- May 15 - Field Day



Welcome back Warriors!

We are so excited to be part of this journey with your children and look forward to all of the wonderful learning and creativity that will take place in our Specials classes — Art, Music, PE, and STEM/Technology.

This year, we will be sending out a monthly specials newsletter to keep you updated. Each issue will include:

- Important Dates – such as concerts, field day, projects, and due dates.
- Classroom Highlights – a peek into what students are learning in their Specials classes.
- Reminders or Requests – anything your child may need to bring for class.

We encourage you to read each newsletter to stay connected with all that is happening in Specials.

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MUSIC

DATES

- Dec 11- K-5 Advent Concert
- Feb. 20- Annie JR.
- Jan 21- ISSMA Solo and ensemble *MS Band only*
- Feb 7 -CYO Father Thomas J. Murphy music contest
- TBA- ISSMA JMO Contest
- April 23- Band concert



Music happenings

Over the past month K-5 has been working hard preparing for our Advent concert next month on Dec 11. MS band has started working on March style music (think John Phillip Sousa) They are starting to prepare for contest in the spring. MS general music is learning about music from the 1920-30s!

8th grade is actively preparing for this year's musical Annie Jr! So far the show looks great! We still need some parent volunteers for this year, so please reach out if interested. This counts as service hours!

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ART

In the month of November, we've been reflecting on all of our blessings and making art about the things we are grateful for! 2nd grade even made special artworks to give to a person they are thankful for.



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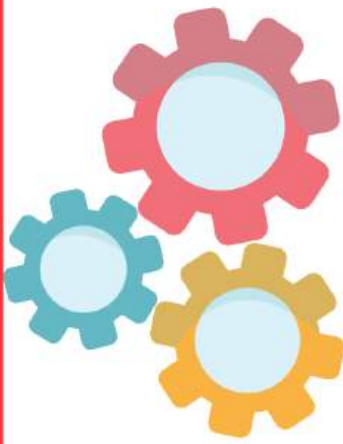
PE

This month in PE, we focused on all things Volleyball! Littles are using Beach Balls to mimic a real volleyball.

Bigs have concentrated on skill and a tournament at the end of the month!!



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November was filled with learning how to make good, safe decisions when using the Internet or talking to people online. Students reviewed information that should and should not be shared online, how to handle messages from unknown senders, and how to create strong usernames and passwords. Our Middle Schoolers helped teach our younger grades by creating online safety posters!

Students also had their first virtual tour to learn about relics in The Louvre. We finished the month of November with turkey traps and catapults for our STEM activities!



Be a friend, Not
a Cyber Bully

STOP



It is never okay to be rude and say mean things to others. Even if it is online. You never know what someone's life is like. So just be kind.

With consent parent management, and safety its sometimes okay to make friends through games.

