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Dear Morning Star Families and Friends,

I am so happy that many of you were able to attend the screening of the movie "Screenagers". It was informative and entertaining.

At school, we are beginning our internet safety training with the students. Mr. Zack, Miss Shott and I will be in all the classrooms during the coming weeks helping the students learn strategies to stay safe on line.

We invite Intermediate and Junior High parents to join us tonight for literacy night from 6:30-7:30 PM. High school parents are invited for a presentation by ARC. All presentations will be very informative for parents.

Catholic Charities has asked us to join them in supporting victims of the recent hurricane by donating diapers in all sizes. If your student brings in diapers, they can earn a non-uniform day on Thursday for our celebration of "Talk Like a Pirate Day".

Help support our school's largest fundraiser and buy your GALA tickets NOW! Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets.

God Bless and have a wonderful week!

Jean Barnes, Principal

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No amount is too small!



Morning Star School 8th Annual Gala & Auction

UPDATE



Get involved and show your support! Cuban inspired cuisine, Mojitos, casino games, a cigar lounge, dancing and

lots of fun auction items!



**SNEAK
PEEK**

Click [HERE](#) to preview our Auction Catalog There's something for every one! And keep checking back in... we're adding new items every day!

Can't make it to the event? Click [HERE](#) to create your account to bid remotely ... from your mobile phone! It's fun, easy and the next best thing to being there!



**DONATE
AUCTION
ITEMS**

There is still time to donate! Liquor, Wine, Restaurant Gift Cards, Spa services and any item of value. Download our donation form [HERE](#) and send in your item to the school.

REMINDERS

Donate Diapers for Dorian Victims



Morning Star is partnering with Catholic Services to help bring relief to the Bahamas. Our school has chosen diapers - all sizes, any brand! We will be collecting them this week. Your support is greatly appreciated.

September Mass



Tuesday, September 24 at 10:00 am our school Mass will be held at Christ the King Church. All are welcome.

Hot Dog Roast



Thursday, September 19th students will enjoy hot dogs and a bake sale. Hot dogs are \$1.00 and don't forget to bring change for the bake sale!

Intermediate & Junior High Literacy Night



Tuesday, September 17th, from 6:30-7:30 pm, Literacy Night will be held for Intermediate and Junior High.

The Arc Informational Meeting



Tuesday, September 17th, from 6:30-7:00 pm [The Arc](#) will hold an informational meeting for parents in the media center. No students please.

Volunteer with the Home & School Association

HOMEROOM PARENTS NEEDED

Would you like to help out in your child's classroom AND earn service hours?



Consider being a homeroom parent! The following teachers need homeroom parents:

- Mrs. Koci
- Mrs. Huband
- Miss Williams
- Mrs. Virtue
- Miss Morrison
- Mrs. Havey

We also need one parent to be the High School Parent Representative.

Please note that parents who volunteer with our students must be finger-printed and complete the "Protecting God's Children" course.

Contact your Home & School President, Brenda Griggs at (904) 237-1562 or devohntrey@gmail.com

School Pictures



NOT PURCHASING: If you are NOT purchasing pictures they must be returned immediately.

PURCHASING: If you are purchasing pictures, keep the ones you want and send in your payment with the remaining pictures. You may pay with cash or check by October 5th. **Checks should be made payable to LIFETOUCH.** Please do not seal the envelope.

RETAKES: If you would like a "retake" on October 15th, please return the picture package with word "**RETAKE**" written on the outside of the package. Retakes will be on October 15th. We will hold your package until you get the retake picture.

Please Note: Lost pictures must be paid for.

EVENTS

Upcoming Bishop Snyder High School Events

HOMECOMING

For detailed information on Bishop Snyder homecoming week click [HERE](#).

Pep Rally - Friday, September 20th at 2:00 pm

Football Game - Friday, September 20th at 7:00 pm

Dance - Saturday, September 21st from 7:00 -10:00 pm

GRADE SCHOOL FOOTBALL GAME

Saturday, September 27th - Doors open at 6 p.m. and kick-off is at 7 pm. Complimentary admission for all Catholic grade school students! To print your student ticket click [HERE](#).



Heart Walk[®]



**American
Heart
Association[®]**

2019 First Coast Heart Walk

DATE: Saturday, September 21st

TIME: 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Metropolitan Park - 1410 Gator Bowl Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32202

TEAM NAME: The Blue Ribbons

If you would like to join the Blue Ribbons team, please email Ricardo Foster at ricardofoster@outlook.com. Deadline to join is September 18th.
To DONATE to the Blue Ribbons team click [HERE!](#)

ON CAMPUS

Home & School Association Members Needed

If you are interested in filling one of the positions below please contact Home & School President Brenda Griggs at (904) 237-1562 or devohntrey@gmail.com

For descriptions of the following positions click [HERE](#).

- Fall Festival Co-Chair
- Spring Musical Dinner Coordinator
- Christmas Musical Dinner Coordinator
- Campus Clean Up Coordinator
- Sign up Genius Coordinator
- Santa's Workshop Coordinator
- Secretary



A big THANK YOU to Earline Fick who has volunteered to be Treasurer and temporary Secretary!



First Trash Free Lunch

Morning Star's first trash free lunch day was a success with only 4.23 pounds of trash created! Junior High 2 was the winner of this month's trash free lunch contest with only 25 grams of trash, which earned them a dress down day. Runners up were High School 10 with 68 grams and Primary 2 with 92.5 grams. Congratulations to all!

For more detailed information about Trash Free Lunch click [HERE](#).

Thank you Martinenza Family

We are so grateful to have so many friends and families who donate their time, talent and treasure to Morning Star School. This month we would like to celebrate and thank the Martinenza family for all their contributions to our school.

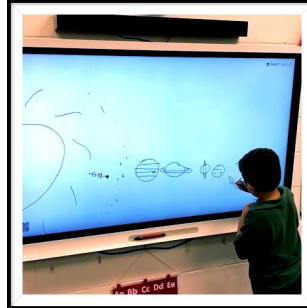


PRIMARY NEWS

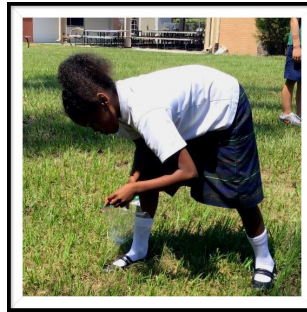
Students learned about 9/11 and created some beautiful artwork.

Christopher drew the planets on the Smartboard for the class.
Good job!

Students enjoyed viewing slides of plants and insects through a microscope.



Students had fun doing a hands-on Science project and learning about nature.



INTERMEDIATE NEWS

Students worked hard on regrouping with addition and counting backwards!



JUNIOR HIGH

Students watched the movie *Screenagers* which explores the impact of screen time on youth.



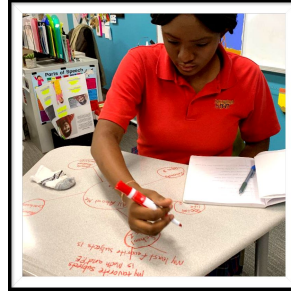
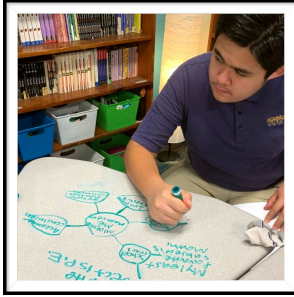
Students studied fall colors by making fall leaf lanterns in art class.



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Before writing an essay, students brainstormed about what they know about themselves, applied the

“growth mindset” to that knowledge, and found ways to use it to be successful during their high school years. Carol Dweck is the author of *Mindset*, which explores a person’s mindset and how it can affect fulfilling one’s potential.



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Download the NEW Box Top App Today

Box Tops is a great way to earn fundraising dollars! **And now there is a new phone app which makes it easier to earn points for our school!** Shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products. The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online. It's a much easier way to help us earn dollars.



Download the new Box Tops App [HERE](#).
Watch a video about the new process [HERE](#)

You may still clip Box Tops and send them to school. Physical Box Top clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store.

A FEW THINGS TO REMEMBER...

- Turn in your box tops weekly. They do expire.
- Be sure to NOT cut the code off. We cannot use it if the code is missing even one of the digits
- Place them in a zip lock bag and send them in with your student.

Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts! Questions? Please reach out to Jackie Rodriguez, our Home & School Box Top Coordinator at Jaco_Rodriguez@yahoo.com

SUBMIT A STORY

Would you like us to share a story about Morning Star School or one of our students? We love showcasing the many talents of our students and their families. To submit a news item for our publications and social media please click the button below to go to our "News" web page then click on the "submit a story" button to use our online communications form.

[Submit a Story!](#)

Our School Mission Statement

Rooted in the Gospel and strengthened by the sacraments, the mission of Morning Star School is to provide a unique, inspiring education empowering students with learning differences to achieve their full potential.



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