



# WEEKLY UPDATE

## Mission Statement

Rooted in Catholic faith and committed to academic excellence, Monsignor Slade Catholic School is dedicated to forming the whole child to know, love, and be a disciple of Christ.

## Important calendar reminders

Tuesday, 11/26/24

- Mass 10 am

Wednesday, 11/27/24

- Half Day / 12:15 pm Dismissal for all students
- Extended Care closed

Thursday, 11/28 & Friday, 11/27

- School Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday

(no newsletter will be published on Friday, 11/27/24)

### Looking ahead:

Monday, 12/2/24

- HASA Merry Monday - Theme: Holiday Bling
- Apopka Toy Drive ends

Tuesday, 12/3/24

- Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday, 12/4/24

- Scholastic Book Fair
- Slade Night at Italia's Corner Cafe 4-9 pm

Thursday, 12/5/24

- Scholastic Book Fair

Friday, 12/6/24

- Slade Spirit Day
- Brown Bag Breakfasts Gr. 1 & 2
- Student Snack Sale
- Honor Roll Assembly

### This week's newsletter also includes:

1. December 2024 updated Calendar
2. Lunch Menu for the month of December
3. Advancement News & Notes

### Super Slades

This week's Super Slades photo and listing of names can be found on Page #2

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## Important News & Notes:

**Reminder** that the playground and field after school are designated for Extended Care use only. As part of our licensing and accreditation requirements, the supervising adults must have a clear record of all individuals under their care.

### RE-REGISTRATION CYBER MONDAY 50% OFF DEAL! ONE DAY ONLY

Please take advantage of our exclusive one-day Cyber Monday re-registration special on December 2nd. Be on the lookout for further communication which will be emailed to you.

### Mandated Lead-Testing Results Report

As mandated by the State of Maryland, we are required to share the results of our recent lead testing. I am pleased to inform you that all student-accessible sinks and water fountains were tested and are fully up to code and safe.

During the testing process, lead was traced in three locations within the cafeteria kitchen. These were handwashing sinks used exclusively by cafeteria staff and are not accessible to students. Appropriate measures have already been taken.

### P.E. on Out of Uniform or Spirit Wear Days!

If your student(s) has P.E. on a Spirit Wear day, or an Out of Uniform Day, they **must** wear athletic shoes. This is to ensure their safety when participating in P.E.

**Merry Mondays!** The Home and School Association is proud to once again sponsor "Merry Mondays" during the month of December to benefit *Happy Helpers for the Homeless*. For only \$5 per child, your child(ren) can come to school wearing various Christmas themed items on December 2nd, 9th, and 16th. If you would like your child(ren) to participate, please send in your \$5 per child donation by December 2nd, or before Thanksgiving break. The themes will be as follows:

- December 2 - Holiday Bling (wear holiday headbands or bows, Christmas socks, Christmas ties, holiday jewelry, light-up necklaces, etc., with the school uniform)
- December 9 - Christmas Pajamas (wear your favorite Christmas pajama pants with a sweatshirt top)
- December 16 - "Ugly" Christmas sweater (wear your favorite Christmas sweater with the school uniform - no music-playing sweaters, please)

**Used Uniform Drop off: Monday December 2nd, 3:00-6:00 pm.** Families can drop off uniforms and receive a VIP club pass for our August 2025 used uniform sale. The drop-offs will be accepted from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at the carport on 12/2/24..

If you have any questions, feel free to contact our chairperson, Mrs. Shannon Scriba at

[sscriba8@gmail.com](mailto:sscriba8@gmail.com)

## SUPER SLADES



K - Andrew Zerhusen  
 1st - Gabe Huminski  
 2nd - James Klein  
 3rd - Mason Reem  
 4th - Ryan Edwards  
 5th - Jacob Croft  
 6th - Ethan Copley  
 7th - James Lee  
 8th - Avery Herbert

## Important News & Notes (con't)

### APOPKA TOY DRIVE

**This school-wide service project concludes on Monday, 12/2/2024.**

The Hope CommUnity Center, our service project partner in Apopka, Florida, has provided us with an Amazon link, to have any toy donations purchased on Amazon sent directly to them. Your support means a lot, and it would be wonderful if you could help spread the word. With your deadline approaching on December 2nd, there's still plenty of time for people to buy toys and contribute as their deadline is Dec 13th.

**Amazon Wish List:** <https://a.co/jh6iIVy>

**Please Note: This is not associated with our Christmas at Slade Basket Raffle fundraiser**



### GRANT AND AID APPLICATIONS for the 2025-26 School Year - now open.

In order to be considered for ANY funding for Archdiocese of Baltimore or Monsignor Slade financial assistance, this application must be completed by February 28, 2025 for the 2025-26 School Year. Due to limited funds available, every detail is considered on your application, including the date of application and especially additional comments.

If you have questions or need to make any changes to your payment plan, even for the current school year, please contact Holly Novotny in our business office.

[h.novotny@mssladeschool.com](mailto:h.novotny@mssladeschool.com)



**"Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest:** Students in grades K-8 have the opportunity to participate in the 'Keep Christ in Christmas' poster contest, which is sponsored by the Father McGivney Council of the Knights of Columbus. There are three age divisions: Grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8. All entries must be submitted on 12" X 18" paper, which has been provided by the Knights. Homeroom teachers will ask his/her students if they would like to enter the contest; then, the contest rules and poster paper will be sent home with interested students. All entries will be due no later than November 27, 2024, prior to Thanksgiving break. We hope for a lot of participation as the Knights enjoy seeing all the beautiful Christmas artwork and wonderful messages of Jesus' birth.

### MSCS Cleaning Day — A Great Success!

Our parents volunteered their time and did a fantastic job cleaning up MSCS this past Saturday. Thank you so much to all who came out to spruce up our school. Your time and effort in making our school shine is truly appreciated!

THANK YOU  
— ♥ —

## Grade Level Reminders:

### GRADES 1 & 2:

Happy Helpers for the Homeless: For the month of **December**, students in **1st & 2nd grades** are asked to contribute two brown bag breakfasts on Friday, 12/6/24. Each student in 1st & 2nd grades will receive two brown bags on Wednesday, 12/4/24, to use as they "bag a breakfast." Your breakfast donations should include one of each of the following:

1. Small box of cereal or packet of oatmeal w/cup & spoon
2. Pop Tart, Nutrigrain bar, or granola bar
3. Applesauce cup, fruit cup, or box of raisins
4. Hot chocolate pack w/cup & spoon
5. Juice box
6. Napkin

There will be volunteers at the carport entrance to collect the bagged breakfasts on Friday morning. All breakfast bags should be dropped off by 8:00 a.m. at the carport. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

## Grade Level Reminders (con't):

**8th Grade Parents:** In order to assist our middle-school teachers when writing their high school recommendations, please provide information regarding your child's extracurricular activities, awards, and honors over their middle-school years (gr.6-8) on our Google form, using this link: [8th grade extracurricular activities](#)



### Calling All 3rd-8th Grade Artists! Join the Drawing Club!



Do you love to draw? Want to explore your creativity and sharpen your skills? The **Drawing Club** is the perfect place for you!

- ⇒ **When:** First and last Monday of each month (January 6th - April 28th).
- ⇒ **Time:** Students will be dismissed to the gym and then be walked to the art room. Each session ends at 4 p.m.
- ⇒ **Bring:** Your own drawing supplies!
- ⇒ **Moderators:** Mr. Stehle & Mrs. Briggs
- ⇒ **Space is Limited:** First come, first serve—don't wait!



#### How to Join:

Sign up using the Google Form: [HERE!](#) and more details will follow in a confirmation email!

All students **must** be picked up by 4 pm.. Be aware that any pick-ups occurring after 4:00 pm will incur a financial charge and frequent late pick-ups may affect your child's ability to continue participating in the club.

## Edu-Care Corner

Pre-K2, Pre-K3 and Extended Care



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** Thank you for your donations to our Operation Christmas Child project! We are packing boxes Friday evening and delivering them over the weekend. We'll keep you posted on the number of boxes we were able to fill.

## Sports Section:



We need to fill the following positions for this school year:

- Secretary
- Assistant Soccer Commissioner
- President (25/26 School year)
- County Basketball Commissioner (shadow now & receive hours, starts 25/26 school year)


Please email [SladeACpresident@gmail.com](mailto:SladeACpresident@gmail.com) for more information. All positions receive full service hours each year.







## HASA Happenings:

 Join Us for Christmas at Slade!






**When:** Saturday, December 7, 2024, from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

 **No ticket purchase is needed to enjoy the event!**

Santa Claus  will be there to take pictures and mingle! This festive event also includes:

-  A Basket Raffle full of wonderful items
-  Reindeer Games to win prizes
-  Santa's Secret Workshop for kids to buy gifts for family members
-  A Bake Sale
-  Arts & Crafts
-  Performances by the Slade Cherub Choir and Slade Cheerleaders

We are excited to offer a delicious hot breakfast option available for purchase, catered by Heaven Sent Catering, including:

-  Pork bacon
-  Turkey sausage
-  Eggs
-  A pancake station with fruit toppings
-  Assorted Danishes

### Important Breakfast Details:

 Please arrive for breakfast by 11:45 AM.

 **Tickets are not available for purchase on the day of the event.**

### Breakfast Ticket Pricing:

\$15 per adult (age 12+)  
\$12 per child (ages 3-11)  
Children under 2 are free

 [Purchase Tickets Here](#)


### We Need Volunteers!

Volunteers are essential to make this event a success.

 [Sign Up Here](#)

### Help Needed Before the Event:

 Assist with decorations on **Wednesday, December 4th**.  
Contact Kim Myers at [gurskimyers2015@gmail.com](mailto:gurskimyers2015@gmail.com) if you can help.

We can't wait to celebrate this joyous season with you! 

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## Monsignor Slade

Christmas Service Project / Outreach

# АΠΟΡΚΑ TOY DRIVE

Concludes 12/2/24

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Amazon Wish List: <https://a.co/jh6iIVv>

Help provide someone a

“merry” Christmas!

Donate a new gift:



Arts & Crafts kits	Blankets	Blocks
Board games	Socks	Legos
Educational toys	Clothing	“Pretend” Jewelry
Sports balls (any kind)	Underwear	“Dress up” clothing
Scooters	Books	Dolls (any color/any kind)
Cars & Trucks	Bicycles	Something fun!
Diapers	Helmets	

# DECEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
01	02 <b>Chicken Alfredo w/ Garlic bread</b>	03 <b>Walkin Taco w/ Churro</b>	04 <b>Heaven Sent Bowl</b>	05 <b>Salisbury Steak Rice &amp; Corn \$8.50</b>	06 <b>Pizza Day</b>	07
08	09 <b>Tortellini w/ white sauce w/Garlic bread</b>	10 <b>Quesadillas with Churro</b>	11 <b>Mac &amp; cheese Bowl</b>	12 <b>Bake Chicken Mashed Potatoes \$8.50</b>	13 <b>Pizza Day</b>	14
15	16 <b>Chef Special</b>	17 <b>Hoilday meal \$8.50</b>	18 <b>Chef Special</b>	19 <b>Chef Special</b>	20 <b>No Lunch</b>	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<b>Winter Break</b>						
29	30	31	<b>Winter Break</b>			

# CALLING ALL 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS!!! CHRISTMAS AT SLADE NEEDS ELVES



Dear 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents,

Christmas at Slade is fast approaching! This year, it will be held on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. As in years past, the students may volunteer to serve as elves and help at different locations at the event. There will be two breakfast seating's: the first at 9am and the second at 11am. The Elf Mom will contact all volunteers by email with detailed instructions the week leading up to the event. Please be sure your email address is legible.

Elves should wear white shirts/blouses and black pants/skirts. Since they will be on their feet the entire time, comfortable shoes are a must. Elves may wear a Christmas hat if they choose.

Elves must sign in with the Elf Mom at 8:40 am or 10:40 am depending on their assigned shift. **PARENTS MUST SIGN THE ELVES OUT BEFORE THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE CAFETERIA!** After their shift, Elves may enjoy a complimentary breakfast.

If your student is interested in volunteering as an elf, please complete and return the clip-off below by Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact the Elf Mom, Christina Anuszewski at [canuszew@gmail.com](mailto:canuszew@gmail.com) or 410-596-4712.

Happy Holidays,  
The Christmas at Slade Committee

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Attn: Elf Mom, Christina Anuszewski (main office)

My student \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_,  
has permission to be an elf at the following time (please check below)

\_\_\_\_\_ 8:40 am shift

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:40 am shift

I understand that I must sign my student out with the "Elf Mom" before he/she can leave.

Parent email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent name & phone number (during the event): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Monsignor Slade*

# ADVANCEMENT

*News & Updates*

## SPREAD THE WORD

Giving Tuesday is right around the corner. This important global initiative encourages people to support causes that matter to them. Show support for our mission at Slade and help us continue the work we do in educating and nurturing our students. Thank you in advance for your support!

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*save the date*  
GIVING TUESDAY

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

*Support 70 Years of Academic Excellence  
in the Catholic Tradition*

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# COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR!

December 3, 4, 5



Visit our Home Page for  
eWallet sign up and to shop  
online!

[Book Fair Home Page](#)

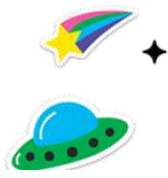
Parents/Family members of **PK4-Grade 2** are invited to attend with their child. Please sign up so that we can prepare for your visit. [PK4-Grade 2 Family Visitation Sign Up](#)

(The schedule is on the sign up)

Volunteer to help! Sign up here:

[Book Fair Volunteer](#)





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# BOOK FAIR



## Book Fair Schedule

December 3, 4, 5



Grade	Homeroom	Teacher	Day
PK4	109	Mrs. Cameron	12/4 Wednesday 9:15-9:45
PK4	107	Mrs. Padencov	12/3 Tuesday 10:15-10:45
K	108	Ms. Kilkelly	12/4 Wednesday 10:15-10:45
K	106	Mrs. McFarlane	12/4 Wednesday 9:45-10:15
1	103	Miss Palazzo	12/4 Wednesday 8:45-9:15
1	105	Mrs. Fertetta	12/4 Wednesday 11:15-11:45
2	206	Mrs. Wolfrey	12/3 Tuesday 11:45-12:15
2	104	Mrs. Schmitz	12/3 Tuesday 9:15-9:45
3	208	Mrs. Ogilvie	12/4 Wednesday 2:00-2:30
3	210	Mrs. Winter	12/5 Thursday 8:15-8:45
4	204	Mrs. Fuecker	12/4 Wednesday 1:30-2:00
4	206	Mrs. Benitez	12/5 Thursday 9:15-9:45
5	203	Mrs. Herbert	12/5 Thursday 9:45-10:15
5	202	Mrs. Johnson	12/3 Tuesday 1:15-1:45
6G		Mrs. Urbas	12/3 Tuesday 8:45-9:15
7G		Mrs. Urbas	12/3 Tuesday 9:45-10:15
6W		Ms. Cortina	12/3 Tuesday 10:45-11:15
7W		Mrs. Kittiver	12/3 Tuesday 1:45-2:15
8G		Mrs. Kittiver	12/5 Thursday 8:45-9:15
8Y		Mrs. Kittiver	12/4 Wednesday 10:45-11:15



Dear Families,

Get ready—the Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school!

Here's everything you need to know about the Book Fair:

**Dates:** Tuesday, December 3, Wednesday, December 4, and Thursday, December 5, 2024

**Location:** MPR

### **PK4-Grade 2**

Family members of students in **PK4-Grade 2** are encouraged to visit the Book Fair with their child during their class visit scheduled time. In order to accommodate your visit, please complete the form so that we can prepare a badge ahead of time. The day/time of the class visit is on the form. **The form will be closed to responses on Tuesday, November 26 at 12:00 Noon, so that the front office can prepare the badges.** [Sign Up Here](#)

There's even more information on our school's Book Fair homepage:

[Book Fair Homepage](#)

### **eWallet**

On the Fair Home page set up a Book Fair eWallet, the digital payment account that allows your child to shop for books at the Fair without cash. Then share your eWallet link so friends and extended family can add funds.

→ **If you have an eWallet balance from a previous book fair, Scholastic will contact you to explain how to transfer the funds to the current Book Fair.**

### **Reward teachers with eWallet!**

Before the Book Fair, teachers are able to create an eWallet so families can contribute to help build classroom libraries. That way, there's something new to read for every kid in class. Ask a fave teacher for their eWallet link and add funds to help them stock their shelves.

### **Need Service Hours?**

We are in need of help! Please sign up here: [December Book Fair Sign Up](#)

If you can't make it to the Fair, then shop at our school's Online Book Fair. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Your online orders will also benefit the school.

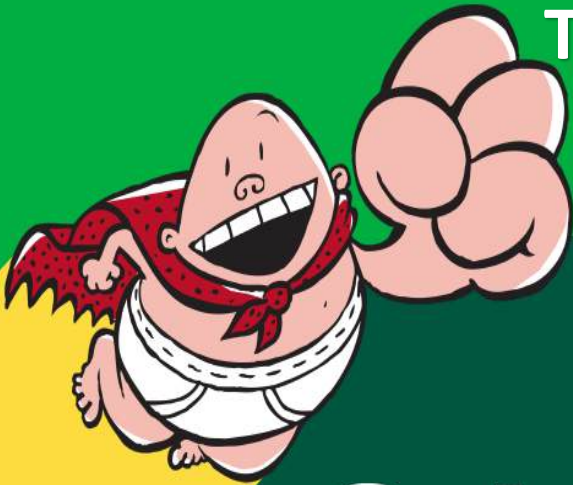
Visit our Book Fair home page to learn more and get stated with eWallet and online shopping:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/mscs>

See you at the Fair!

Happy reading,  
Mrs. Abrams

**The Book Fair is this Week!**



**Set up your  
eWallet**

**now!**

**Don't forget to set up your student's eWallet account for cashless, stress-less shopping. Friends and family can even contribute funds! Set one up here: [Book Fair Homepage](#)**

# December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>HASA Merry Monday</i>  Apopka Toy Drive ends	3	4  Slade Night at Italia's Corner Café 4-9 pm	5	6 Slade Spirit Day Br. Bag Breakfasts Gr. 1 & 2  Student Snack Sale Honor Roll Assembly	7 Christmas at Slade
		← Scholastic Book Fair →				
8	9 <i>HASA Merry Monday</i>	10	11	12 Lunch with Law Enforcement	13 Slade Spirit Day  Notre Dame Prep Christmas Concert 10:00 am	14
15	16 <i>HASA Merry Monday</i>  Fall Sports Assembly 2:10 pm	17	18 <i>Mass 10 am</i>  Band Christmas Concert 7:00 pm	19 Tuition Assistance Out-of-Uniform \$2 per student  Band Christmas Concert for Students	20 Slade Spirit Day <b>HALF DAY</b> <b>12:15 pm Dismissal</b> <b>For students in Edu-Care/Prek-4 - 8</b> Edu-Care Christmas Show <b>Extended Care Closed</b>	21 HASA Sports Cards & Collectibles Show 9 am - 3 pm Cafeteria
22	23	24	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26	27	28
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