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Minute



The Middle School Choir performing during Candy Cane Social

All School News:

- The Christmas cheer surely was loud for all to hear! Many thanks to those who helped make today's Candy Cane Social, another cherished school tradition, so special and festive.
- Thank you to everyone who donated scarves, hats, gloves and coats to our winter clothes drive. We are proud to announce that we collected more than 2,000 items!
- The **deadline** to submit an **application for financial aid** for the 2019-2020 school year is **tonight at 11:59 p.m.** Please note that you must reapply each year to be considered for

financial aid. Simply log on to your FACTS account to complete the application. Questions? Contact Sheryl Piron at pirons@maryvale.com or at 410-308-8531.

- Students will be **dismissed at 11:30 a.m. next Tuesday, Dec. 18; Wednesday, Dec. 19; and Thursday, Dec. 20.**
- Maryvale will be closed for **Christmas Break** from **Friday, Dec. 21 – Wednesday, Jan. 2.** Classes will resume on Thursday, Jan. 3.
- Although Upper School exams and the Middle School Mini-Mester are taking place prior to Christmas Break, please note that the **Second Quarter concludes on Thursday, Jan. 17.**
- A Message from the Health Suite: Please note that if a student is ill, she must stay at home until she is fever-free and/or not getting physically sick for at least 24 hours before returning to school. Please know that Maryvale's cleaning staff is working diligently to sanitize the campus.

Arts:

- Bravo to all of our students who participated in last night's annual Winter Concert. The performances were spectacular!
- The curtains open for Maryvale's Middle School winter production, "Mulan, Jr.," on **Saturday, Feb. 9 at 7 p.m.** and **Sunday, Feb. 10 at 3 p.m.** [Click here](#) to purchase your tickets in advance today.

Athletics:

- We may soon be taking a break from school, but the athletic schedules remain packed! Mark your calendar for the [upcoming games and meets](#). Go Lions!

Kudos:

- Congratulations to our Upper and Middle School students who were honored as **Students of the Month** for their achievements in Social Studies or Leadership courses.
 - Social Studies: **Millie Waldron '25, Morgen Christian '24, Nora Radday '23, Sophie Rine '22, Maddison Kneavel '21, Madeline Guidera '20 and Kyndall Smith '19**
 - Leadership: **Claire Wickesser '25, Sophia Hyre '24, Jane Poe '23, Gianna Ferrarese '22, Courtney Matthews '20 and Julia Grier '19**

Middle School:

- The annual **Mini-Mester** is set for **next Tuesday, Dec. 18 – Thursday, Dec. 20**. Stay updated with the **latest happenings** from each session [here](#).

Parent Clubs and Opportunities:

- The next **Sports Boosters meeting** will take place on **Thursday, Jan. 3** at **7 p.m.** in the Dining Room.
- The **Parents' Association Bus Trip to New York City** is scheduled for **Friday, Jan. 18!** Explore the city at your leisure, see a show, shop or eat at your favorite café. Anyone from the Maryvale community is welcome to attend (school is closed that day for students). [Click here](#) to reserve your spot. The cost is \$50 per person. But, don't delay...**space is limited!**

The Lion's Den:

- The Lion's Den will be **open next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday** from **7:30 a.m. – noon** for your shopping convenience. Contact Janet Gloth, the Lion's Den manager, at 410-308-8517 if you need any additional help.

Upper School:

- Maryvale Families: Please take note of the following informational meetings regarding upcoming international trips.
 - The parent meeting for the trip to **Ireland** is this coming **Monday, Dec. 17** at **5 p.m.** in Maguire Hall.
 - The parent-student meeting for the mission trip to **Kenya** is **Tuesday, Jan. 8** at **6 p.m.** Additional details are forthcoming. Please note that students must be at least 16 years old to attend this trip.
- The **in-school exam review day** will take place this coming **Monday, Dec. 17**. This is a full day of school.
- Upper School **midterm exams** are set for **next Tuesday, Dec. 18 – Thursday, Dec. 20**.
- **Driver's Ed at Maryvale** is back with **four different sessions** available in 2019. [Click here](#) for more information and registration instructions. Please note that this program is open to Maryvale students as well as students from area schools.

The Maryvale Minute will resume in January. Have a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!



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