



Good Afternoon SMS Parents,

As most of you already know, Ms. Brett recently broke her arm and will need surgery in the very near future. She will be out of school the rest of this week and most likely next week. Please keep Ms. Brett in your prayers for a speedy and complete recovery.

Tomorrow we will have a dress down day and a lunchtime bake sale to benefit our Odyssey of the Mind (OotM) teams. Please be as generous as possible. In addition, only the students participating in the OotM competition may dress down this Friday. On Friday at 1:00 PM, we have an assembly in the church to get a preview of what our students have been working on. We wish success to all of our students participating in the Odyssey of the Mind competition this Saturday, March 16. SMS Families are welcome to attend and watch the competition scheduled to begin at 9:45. Each of the SMS teams will compete at various times throughout the competition. This event will take place at JP Case Middle School, 301 Case Blvd, Flemington, NJ 08822. Whether we are able to be present or not this Saturday, let us all send positive energy to our teams by keeping them in prayer!

We are excited to tell you that last weekend our Bidy cheerleaders competed in their first competition of the year and placed fourth in their division. The girls received the “Best Spirit” award and each child accepted a medal. Special congratulations to Juliet A who was named “Cheerleader of the Day”. We are proud of our girls for putting on such a great performance. They really made their coaches, parents and SMS so proud! CONGRATULATIONS!

Many thanks to our teachers, students and parents who volunteered and participated in the Empty Bowls Fundraiser last Sunday to benefit the Franklin Food Bank. This first successful community affair was a collaborative event between St. Matthias School and Parish.

Students continue to take the IOWA standardized tests this week. Please be sure your children arrive to school on time. It is important that they benefit from a decent night’s sleep and a nutritional breakfast each morning. Students in grades 3, 5 and 7 will take the cognitive abilities (CogAT) test on Monday (3/18) and Tuesday (3/19).

Please help spread the word to your extended family members, friends and neighbors that SMS will have an Open House on Friday, March 22, 2019, beginning at 9:00 AM.

May your Lenten journey be filled with peace,

Mr. J. Gidaro  
Vice Principal  
Saint Matthias School