

December 9, 2019

Dear Parents and Students,

I would like to announce that I will be starting a Middle School writing club called Saint Mary Positive Press. My goal is for students to become journalists and interview individuals or cover events that make a positive impact in our school or the surrounding community. I am hopeful the club will allow students to be exposed to great role models with qualities they may want to emulate. I believe it is so important to focus on the positive in our world. These articles will be published in the Royal News.

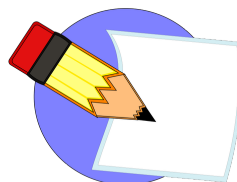
Parent participation will be needed in making this club a success. As a parent, you will have to contact and help set up the interview with the individual your child is interested in. The main goal for the parent is to make sure the interviewee understands that we will be publishing the article in our school news and/or our church bulletin. Parents must accompany their child for the face-to-face or phone interview and may also have to record their child's interview. Your child will turn his/her interview into an outline, so they can craft a well written article. Students may also work in pairs if they have a shared interest.

We will have our first meeting January 20th at lunch. This meeting will be mostly informative along with having the kids brainstorm people or events they may be interested in for their article. I will be passing out possible interview questions along with an outline that will help them write their articles. We will meet on the first and third Monday of each month. Mrs. Goller, Mrs. Schwabe, and Mrs. Morin have offered their help in getting this club started. I am very thankful for their support, because they each have background experience in journalism.

If your child would like to become a member of Saint Mary Positive Press, please fill out the permission slip below. Have your child return the permission slip no later than Thursday, December 20th.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hornik



Saint Mary Positive Press Permission Slip

Cost: \$0 - Yes, it is free!

Location: Room 106 - Mrs. Hornik's Room

Meeting Times: Two Mondays a month during lunch

Meeting Dates:

January 20th

February 3rd and 17th

March 2nd, 16th, 30th

April 6th and 20th

May 4th and May 18th

June 1st

Saint Mary Positive Press Expectations:

Please be at meetings.

Be respectful of all members.

You should be brainstorming ideas for a great article, working on completing an article, or helping edit other students' articles.

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Student Name _____

Grade Room Number _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information Phone Number Email Address:
