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St. Maarten — Then & Now



Theme for November

Our theme for this month is **Citizenship**. We will focus on Patriotism, Service to others, Showing commitment and Democracy. SXM our island, we will show respectful devotion and love to our country.

Big D Photo



Parents who desire to purchase the **Big D Photo Christmas package** for their child, are hereby informed that all monies must be in by Nov 7th, 2016. Price: \$20

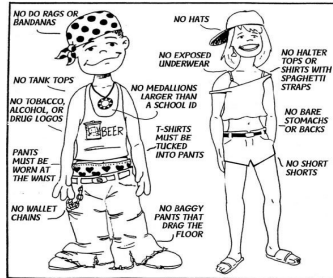
Picture Day will be November 28th, 2016.

Photo Gumbs



Parents who desire to purchase the **Photo Gumbs - Photo Christmas packages**, are hereby informed that all monies must be by Nov 7th, 2016. Price: \$25. **Picture day will be November 16th, 2016.**

THE DRESS CODE



Dress-Code:

Parents, when visiting our school please dress appropriately so that you can be an example to our students. No back/belly out, short pants, strapless clothing etc. are allowed. You must be decently covered.

Visiting the school:

Parents/guardians when visiting the school you must report to the office before going to any particular classroom. Teachers will ask parents who arrive at the class without a visitors pass to retrieve one before any matters are handled.

Parent Committee

Our P.C. board is currently looking for parents to form a new committee. Parents who are interested should contact Pr. Sprott.

Test Week 1

Our first Test Week for this school year will take place from **November 17th -23rd . (groups 1-8)**

We urge you to encourage your children to prepare well for Test Week. Sit with them and discuss the tests schedules they will receive and set aside a special time for re-viewing daily.

Students are not allowed to miss tests. If they do, parents must submit a doctor's letter stating the reason for the absence.

Late - Coming/Absenteeism:

Parents too many of our students are still arriving late/ are absent from school without a valid reason. As a school it is our duty to report such happenings to the Truancy Dept. Students who are constantly late/absent without valid reasons will receive a formal letter of concern regarding this matter. Parents, do your best to have your child(ren) in school on time &

Empowering our students for a brighter future!

Parental Contributions

We are once more stressing on the importance of your yearly parental contribution. If you haven't done so as yet, we request that you make your payment before November 15 if your child is in groups 1-8.

Please remember that the fees for students attending our Pre-school and community school must be paid by the 5th of each month.

St.Maarten Day Celebration 2016

On Thursday, November 10th, we will be celebrating St. Maarten's Day under the theme: "*St. Maarten - Then & Now*"

Time : 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Place: school's gym Hall.

We are inviting all parents to attend and participate in the activities.

Dress-code for our students: Red , White and Blue (any combination).

All clothing must be suitable and in accordance with our school's dress-code.

You are kindly asked to contribute to the event in the form of local St. Maarten dishes and drinks to your child's group on this day.

We also encourage you to take the children to see many of the scheduled activities around the island on that day. This is one of the ways to instill national pride in our children...the future of St.Maarten.

There will be no school on Friday, November 11th,2016

Birthday Celebrations

Parents, please refer to the parent/student handbook when planning all birthday celebration here at school. All celebrations must comply with these guidelines.

Pizza Ordering/Delivery:

When ordering pizza for class celebration, all monies should be paid in advance to the pizza company. The delivery personnel will deliver the pizza to the main office, the celebrating student can then collect the pizza from the office.

Annual Christmas Baskets

Every Christmas we prepare food baskets for our students who are going through some difficult times. As of now, students can bring canned/dry food stuff to school. This act of kindness teaches our students about caring and sharing.

Parental Involvement:

How does the following apply to you?

Does your child understand the importance of a good education and of doing well in school?

As a parent do you understand that your level of parental involvement helps to determine your child's educational success or failure?

As a parent which areas below are you actively involved in at home/ school?

- Verbal Support & Encouragement.
- One-on-One help with homework.
- Outside/Extra Curricular activities.
- Informal visits to school.
- Frequent communication with your child's teacher.

Water Day

Monday, November 7th,2016 .

Small bottles of water will be on sale in the canteen (no ice pop or juice).

Crazy Sneaker & Jean Day:

November 4th & 18th, 2016

Happy Birthday Corner:

Happy birthday greetings to all the birthday boys and girls who will be celebrating during the month of November, also Ms. Rosie & Principal Sprott.

