HSA WEEKLY WORD

Assumption School eNewsletter

November 9, 2025

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The Beacon

2025 Jubilee Year

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, November 12

- **Report Cards for Grades 2 – 8** will be added to the E-Locker tab on Plus Portals. They will **NOT** be emailed. Please make sure your plus portal access is up to date.
- *After you log in, you will see a series of tabs outlined in white above your child's name: Home, Calendar, E-Mail, E-Locker, School, Announcements, Directory*
- *Under the **E-Locker** tab is where you will find your child's report card when they have been uploaded.*
- Email Sharon @ sbertram@assumptionnj.org if you need to reset your password. ***NOTE: PlusPortals is locked for parents until Wednesday morning.***
- PK, K & 1st grade report cards will be available after the 2nd marking period.

- Picture Retakes by Lors – Make-up and retakes of school pictures. Anyone wishing to retake must contact Sharon in the main office at sbertram@assumptionnj.org

Thursday & Friday, November 13 & 14 - Conferences

- 11:00 A.M. dismissal for grades K - 8
- **PRESCHOOL** – All preschool classes will end at **10:30 a.m. on Thursday and Friday, November 13th and 14th**. This is because the back parking lot cannot accommodate all of the cars for dismissal. Siblings will also be allowed to be dismissed with PreK at 10:30. Please let their

teacher know and they will be sent to the Preschool classroom. PreK 3 will be dismissed in the front driveway.
- No aftercare

Wednesday, November 26
- 9:00 A.M. Mass
- 10:30 A.M. PK dismissal
- 11:00 A.M. K-8 dismissal
- No aftercare

Thursday & Friday, November 27 & 28
- Thanksgiving recess - school closed

Christmas Toys Needed:
Mary's Hands, a local Catholic Charities organization at St. Margaret's Parish, is organizing a new toy drive for small children ages 2 through 6. Mary's Hands has asked us to help. They are looking for licensed characters such as Bluey, Paw Patrol, Spiderman, Barbie, and LOL dolls, as well as matchbox cars, small toy cars, magnetic building sets, dinosaurs, and dinosaur books.

We will be collecting these new toys until**Friday, November 21st**. If you can help support some of the needier children in our area, please consider sending in some new toys. We will have a bin set up on the lobby. Thank you for all of your support!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The playground off the back parking lot is for students ages 5 to 12 years old. Pre-school children should not be playing on the equipment. This area should only be used for our students who are being monitored by our staff during the school day. For your children's safety, please do not let your children play on the playground at drop-off and dismissal. Also, do not let them play in the parking lot. There are too many cars. Please exit the parking lot as soon as you pick up your child. We want everyone to leave safely.

ASSUMPTION NEWS

Starry Knights is THIS FRIDAY!!!
Friday, November 14, is our biggest night of the year!

Thank you to Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our newest Event sponsor!

Ticket sales close today, **Sunday, November 9**. Purchase your tickets here: **TICKETS**

Save time and purchase your Golden Ticket and Gift Auction tickets ahead of time here: **Golden and Gift**

CHRISTMAS STORE

The Christmas Store is Coming December 10th!

One of the most beloved events of the year is almost here—and we need your help to make it magical!

Raffle Donations Needed
To make this day extra special for our students, we're hosting exciting raffles during the Christmas Store event! These prizes are made possible entirely through generous donations; they help cover event costs and bring so much joy to the kids.
If you'd like to contribute, donations can be sent via**Venmo to @christinafisher**. No amount is too big or too small—every bit helps!

✂ **Calling All Gift Wrappers!**
Join us for festive gift-wrapping sessions to prepare for the big day!
Wrapping Schedule:

- Tuesday evenings | 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Friday mornings | 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM
- Location: Multi-Purpose Room at school

Bring a friend and enjoy refreshments while we wrap gifts for the kids!

RSVP here:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844A9A92BAAFAC07-58732002-

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Questions? Contact the Christmas Store Committee:
Caitlin McInerney, Christina Fisher, and Sara Tirpak
assumptionchristmasstore@gmail.com

FORENSICS

Sign-ups for the Forensics Team Pre-Tryout Workshop opens today! Please click the link to register. $20 fee for each session will include snack and materials.

We are looking forward to seeing you!

CLICK HERE

HANDS ON & A LITTLE MORE 'STEAM'

Hands On & A Little More

with Mrs. Sopira and Ms. Paton

Grades 1-6 (We love 7th Grade Helpers)

Thursday's 2:15 - 4:00

Nov. 20, Dec 4, 11, 18, Jan. 8, 15, 22 and 29

(Pick up in the teachers parking lot)

$160.00 for an 8 week session

~First 20 students to respond~

~Small snack will be provided~

~Please make sure that they bring a water bottle~

(Cut along the dotted line & please return to Mrs. Sopira by November 18th)

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent Name: _____Phone _____

Parent E-Mail: _____

Allergies: _____

Dismissal (check one):

___teacher's parking lot ___aftercare (please notify afterschool@assumptionnj.org)

Payment Enclosed: _____

Payment method: Cash or Check made payable to Cash

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL FOOD DRIVE

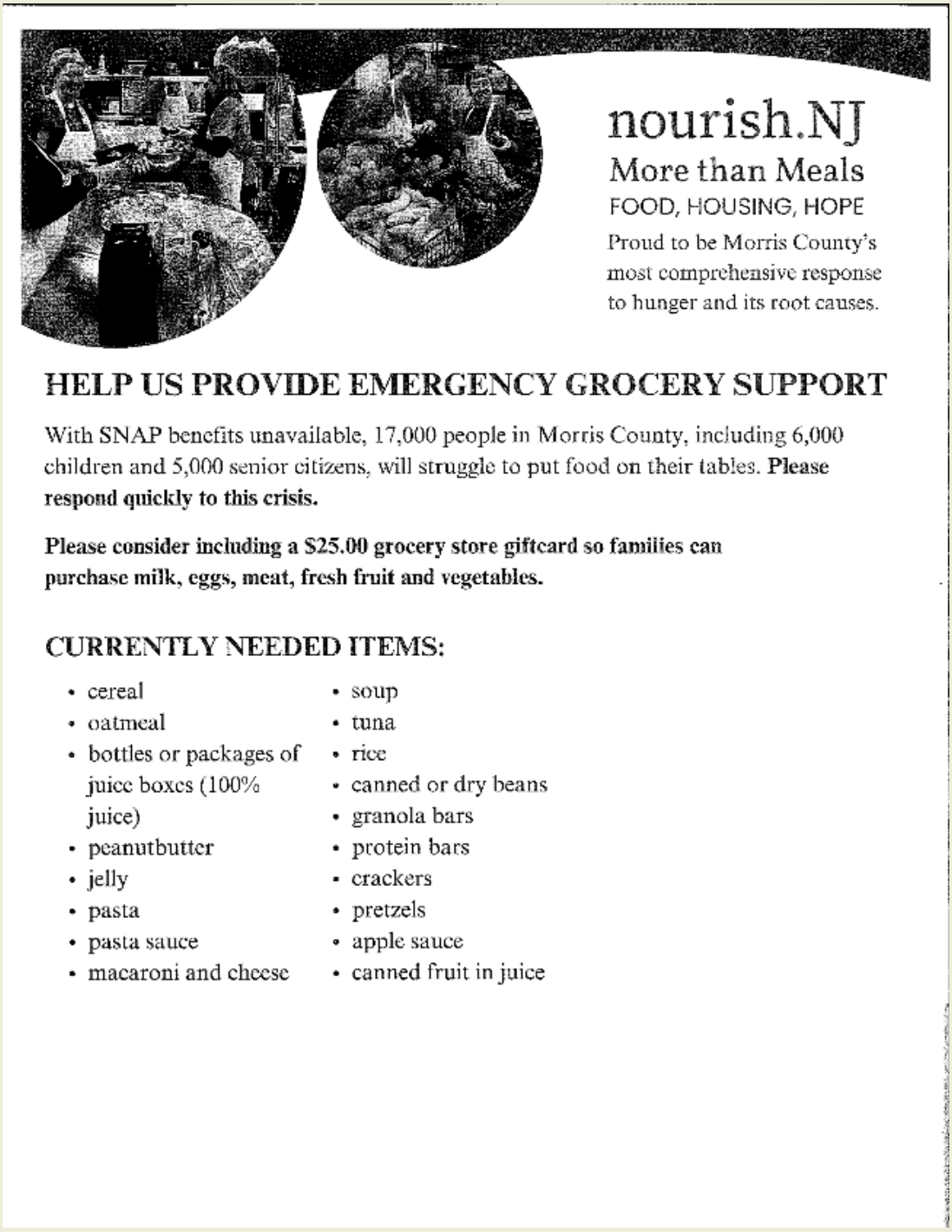
Assumption School will be collecting non-perishable food to donate to the Interfaith Food pantry to spread the gift of food to those in need. We will be collecting items until **Friday, November 21st**. Items can be brought to the lobby. All non-perishable items are welcome. Below is a list of the most needed items for Thanksgiving:

instant mashed potatoes, stuffing, turkey gravy (no glass jars please) cranberry sauce, canned yams or sweet potatoes, hearty soup, canned vegetables (corn, peas, green beans), apple, cranberry, grape (100% fruit juice) (64oz), muffin or roll mix, brownie mix or cake mix, and icing, coffee, tea, hot cocoa

Also, we are collecting donations to help Nourish.NJ:**SNAP benefits will not be funded on November 1st and 800,000 New Jersey residents will lose the support they depend on to put food on the table. 17,000 people in Morris County alone receive and will lose SNAP benefits, including 6,000 children and 5,000 senior citizens.**

At nourish.NJ, we're seeing more people every day: parents, seniors, and veterans, walking through our doors in crisis.

Make a difference right now: See the list below for most needed items. Please send them to school and we will make sure they get to Nourish.NJ.



ATHLETICS

Assumption Basketball Swag Store is

The basketball team store is open through **November 16th**. Place your orders today! **CLICK HERE TO ORDER**

Assumption Volleyball Playoffs — Let's Pack the Gym!

The excitement is building as the Morris County Catholic Volleyball League Championships approach! The Quarterfinal Rounds will be played at Assumption, so come pack the gym and cheer on our teams as they fight for a trip to the Championships at Morris Catholic High School on November 15th (2 pm)!

- 6th Grade JV vs. St. James – Monday, November 10th, 4:30 PM
- 8th Grade Varsity vs. St. James – Wednesday, November 12th, 4:30 PM
- 7th Grade Varsity vs. St. James – Immediately following the 8th Grade game

The JV Semi-Finals will be played Tuesday, November 11th at SVMS at 4:30 PM, with the winners advancing to the JV Championship at Morris Catholic High School.

Our players have worked incredibly hard all season—sharpening their skills, growing as teammates, and showing great sportsmanship every step of the way. Their dedication and improvement have been amazing to watch, and they're ready to make Assumption proud in the postseason!

Let's fill the gym, bring the energy, and cheer our Assumption teams all the way to the Championships!

Assumption XC - STATE CHAMPS!!!!

For the first time in school history, Assumption XC took first place in the NJ Catholic Middle and Grade School State Championships! Congratulations to the boys JV team on this achievement. **Thank you** to all of the coaches who volunteered all season for our school.

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL YEARBOOK

The 2026 Assumption School Yearbook will be on sale from **October 1, 2025, until March 1, 2026**. You can reserve your copy online at **jostensyearbooks.com**.

We are unable to accept orders at school. All orders must be handled online. Yearbooks are $35.00.

CHARLESTON WRAP FUNDRAISER

Please support our 7th Grade class by shopping online during our ANNUAL CHARLESTON WRAP-7th GRADE FUNDRAISER! With your generous support the profits we accrue from our sales will go directly to our 7th Graders, to help defer various graduation costs for next year. Charleston Wrap has beautiful,

high-quality papers and gifts, so you can get an early start on holiday shopping! Catalogs were sent home with your youngest child.

Attached is the **QR code** to **REGISTER AND SHOP**!
ORGANIZATION ID: 27053

All orders are to be placed **ONLINE** and ship directly to your home. The last day of the sale is December 6, 2025, to ensure Christmas delivery.

We thank you in advance for your support! Any questions please reach out to Barb Gilgallon 973.886.0031 or Danielle Roman 973.713.7122 or by calling Charleston Wrap at 1-866-395-2926

AROUND TOWN

ALTERNATIVE DEVICE FAIR

Have you been thinking about your kids and tech? Join us for an informative and hands-on evening at the **Dodgers Delay Alternative Device Fair & Panel Discussion** — where parents and kids can explore healthier tech options *together*!

When - Tuesday, November 12th | 6:00–7:45pm
Where - Madison Junior School Auditorium
What to expect:

- See and touch real devices from companies like **Gabb, Bark, Troomi, and Light** — designed to promote *healthier, more mindful tech use* for kids **and** adults.
- Join a **parent-led panel discussion** on navigating screens, social media, and digital balance — with insights for parents of toddlers through teens.
- While parents chat, kids can enjoy **games and activities** hosted by the Madison Cub Scouts (for grades K–8)!

Plus — enter our **raffle for a chance to win one of eight devices!**

Pre-register using the QR code on the flyer (or at **www.dodgersdelay.com**) for an *extra raffle entry!* Walk-ins are welcome too!

MORRISTOWN ONSTAGE

AUDITION FOR MORRISTOWN ONSTAGE

2026!
Do you sing, dance, mystify audiences with magic, play in a band or have another amazing talent to showcase?

Take center stage and audition to be a finalist in Morristown ONSTAGE!

Morristown ONSTAGE brings people of all ages together to celebrate and discover unique local talent. At the must-see family event of the year, the **selected finalists will perform at the Mayo Performing Arts Center on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 with a chance to win $1,000**.

Auditions will take place on Saturday, December 13, 2025, at Morristown High School and are open to those who **live, work, worship, receive talent training or attend school in Morristown, Morris Township and Morris Plains, as well as alumni of Morristown High School!**

All acts must register in advance by December 8 at **www.morristownonstage.com**. **Registration is free through November 16.** A $20 fee will be required for those who register after November 16.

MORRISTOWN WRESTLING PROGRAM

Assumption Dad, Matt Niemczyk, leads the Mo-Town Grapplers — Morristown's recreation wrestling program. The program is open to boys and girls in K - 8. No experience is required. For more info and to register **CLICK HERE**.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities will be hosting the Caritas Gala 2025 on Thursday, November 13th and Rev. Msgr. John Hart will be honored and receiving an award.
Click this link for more information on Catholic Charities and for ways to get involved.

*The Weekly Word is also available on the school website**www.assumptionnj.org.***
If you have questions or comments, contact hsa@assumptionnj.org.

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