

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Art

Art classes are offered after school to students in second through fifth grades. The classes cover a variety of mediums including three-dimensional paper projects, painting techniques, and paper collage. Students are encouraged to create lively designs and to mix media.

Art Van Go

After school art classes motivate kindergarten and first grade students to explore their potential as they learn about art while having fun.

Book Club

The students read stories from an anthology and meet weekly for a book talk to discuss the current selection. Book club is offered to students in third through fifth grades by grade level.

Chimes

St. Mark's Chime Ensemble is open to all students in third through fifth grades. The Chime Ensemble is a weekly, after-school, year-long commitment. Members perform at Eucharist several times during the school year and also present concerts with the Chorus in December and May.

Chorus

Students in third through fifth grades have the opportunity to become a member of the St. Mark's Chorus. This is a weekly, after-school, year-long commitment. Chorus members sing once a month at Eucharist and several times a year in the community. Members also present concerts in December and May with the Chime Ensemble.

Computer Club

Students in kindergarten through fifth grade may participate in Computer Club where they learn computer skills not covered in computer class.

Fun Chefs

Cooking classes are offered for students in second through fifth grades. Students learn culinary techniques and prepare a variety of recipes from around the world.

Intramural Sports

The after school intramural program provides students the opportunity to participate in a variety of sports throughout the school year. Soccer, flag football, and basketball are among the sports offered to students in third through fifth grades. Additional sports may be added.

Safety Patrol

The School's Safety Patrol program is for fifth grade students. Patrol duties include assisting students in and out of cars at arrival and dismissal. Patrol obligations include reporting for duty on time, performing duties faithfully, setting a good example, and obeying teachers and officers of the Safety Patrol. An end-of-the-year Safety Patrol activity is planned in recognition of the students' service to the School.

Science Club

High Touch-High Tech Science Company offers unique "hands-on" science enrichment activities that present science in a fun way. Experiments are conducted in a safe and exciting manner for students in second through fifth grades.

Swim Team

The St. Mark's Swim Team is composed of students in first through fifth grades. The students may participate in the fall (Sept.-Oct.) and spring (April-May) teams. All practices are held at the City of Palm Beach Gardens pool on Burns Road.

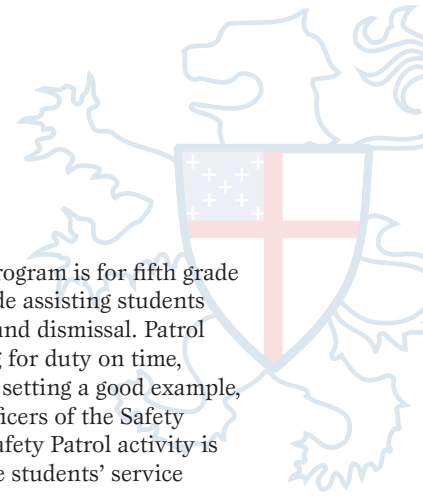
Tae Kwon Do

Classes are offered to students in kindergarten and first grade to improve balance, agility, flexibility and mental acuity while focusing on respect, discipline, and self-control inside and outside of class.

The Lion's Tale

The School newspaper, *The Lion's Tale*, published quarterly during the school year captures life at St. Mark's. Students in fifth through eighth grades interview, write, and take photographs for feature stories.

Additional programs may be added.



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Athletics

The middle school athletic program is comprehensive and focuses on meeting the needs and interest of students through scheduled physical education classes and an interscholastic sports program featuring eight different sports. The program emphasizes playing hard, playing fairly, developing one's own skill to the fullest, working for the good of the team, and maintaining Christian morals throughout competition. The school competes with other private schools in south Florida in the following sports:

September-October	November-December	January-February	March-April	April-May
Girls' Volleyball Boys' Flag Football	Girls' Basketball Boys' Soccer	Boys' Basketball Girls' Soccer	Lacrosse	Tennis Golf

Cheerleading is offered during boys' flag football and basketball seasons.

Extracurricular

St. Mark's is committed to providing a well-rounded educational experience which helps children develop and grow in mind, body and spirit. Therefore, a variety of extracurricular opportunities is offered to nurture and develop the interests and talents of each student.

- Art Club
- Acolyte (Eucharist service)
- Book Club
- Cheerleading
- Community Service
- Jazz Band
- Literary Club
- National Junior Honor Society
- *Paw Prints* (yearbook)
- Student Council
- School Dances
- TV Production Team
- *The Lion's Tale* (school newspaper)
- Vocal Ensemble
- Youth Group (Church)

