



Weekly Update



September 5th - September 9th

Mission Statement: St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings.

MONDAY, September 5th

- No School - Labor Day

TUESDAY, September 6th

- QCES 7th/8th grade girls Crusaders Softball home game vs Warrington 4:30 pm at QND
- Protecting God's Children Session - Blessed Sacrament Church 6:00-9:00pm; call 222-2759 to register

WEDNESDAY, September 7th

- Children's School Mass held at 8:30 a.m. - 6th grade in charge of preparation.
- Early Dismissal at 2:17 for students in grades PK-8. (This will occur throughout the school year.)
- Confirmation Map it Out session for 8th grade students - 6:15 pm in Church

THURSDAY, September 8th:

- Curriculum Night - Grades K-8th; Washington DC meeting for 8th grade parents following curriculum session
- Author, Lisa Heding, visiting 4th and 5th grades

FRIDAY, Sept. 9th

SUNDAY, September 11th:

- Saints Alive Youth Group (grades 4-6) meet 5:30-7:45 pm in the gym

WEEKLY UPDATE

This week will be the last week we send home a hard copy of our Weekly Update to all families. Please take a few minutes to make sure you received the update through your email. Beginning next week, the Weekly Update will only go home through email. If you did not receive a copy by email, please call Mrs. Bradfield in the School Office, 223-1120. Our Weekly Update will also be posted on RenWeb and our school website.

DISMISSAL

We have a system of dismissal of cars after school that we feel works very well in both keeping our children safe and getting all cars out of the parking lot in a timely manner. We would like to remind parents or explain this to our new families:

When we dismiss the children that are either being picked up or are walking home, we give them around 5 minutes or so to find their rides or leave the school grounds if they are walking home or riding their bikes home. Please, absolutely no cars should be moving at this time! When we feel that the majority of parents have found their children and are ready to leave, either Mr. Shinn or Mrs. Bradfield will begin dismissing cars row by row. We begin with the parking stalls closest to Madison Park and work our way to the Church...takes about 5 minutes. You may either leave from your parked position by pulling forward and

exiting to the right to the park road and follow it to 24th Street or pull out and turn to your left and exit onto Maine by the drive closest to the Church. We ask that all cars exiting onto Maine Street are right turns only. Do not try to leave before being dismissed by pulling out or backing up, and please do not weave through the cars. If you are parked on the upper lot in between the center sidewalk and Maine Street, once cars are being dismissed do not stand by your car and wave for your children to come to you. We will not let them. If you have arrived after we have begun dismissing cars, please be aware that cars are moving. We have had parents walk across in front of cars, and we have had parents gather their children and then walk out in front of moving cars. We have seen all of these this week and some were close calls. We realize this may seem like a lot of rules but we are only trying to keep everyone safe. If you do not wait for us to dismiss your car you have the possibility of hitting a child or parent that has not made it to their car yet. If you feel you cannot wait for our system please park on the upper half of the parking lot-north of the middle sidewalk. We do not dismiss that area. Please keep in mind that this is not recommended and you will probably have to wait anyway. Thank you so much for your cooperation with this matter.

We also wish to remind parents that students not picked up by 3:10 (2:35 on Wednesdays) will be sent to our St. Peter Daycare and your family will be charged for the family fee and for the time your child is there (This will be the minimum charge - cost for 30 minutes.)

CURRICULUM NIGHT AT ST. PETER SCHOOL FOR GRADES 1-8 - Sept. 8

Curriculum Night is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 8th. This is a chance for teachers to explain what a typical school day is for your children, share with you goals and expectations for the school year. This will hopefully answer any questions concerning our curriculum that you may have about your child's classroom/grade level.

The schedule is as follows:

Session 1 - 5:30-6:00 pm Grades 1-6 (held in classrooms)

Both 5th grade classrooms will meet in Rm 5W

Session 2 - 6:15-6:45 pm Grades 1-6 (held in classrooms)

Both 5th grade classrooms will meet in Rm 5W

Session 3 - 7:00-7:45 pm

Grades 7/8 only (held in cafeteria)

8th grade - Parent's Washington, DC meeting 8:00 pm in the cafeteria following the curriculum meeting.

IOWA ASSESSMNET TESTS - Sept. 12 - Sept. 23

IOWA Assessment Testing begins on Monday, September 12th and continues through Friday, September 23rd. We ask that you help your child achieve his best by making sure he/she gets plenty of rest these two weeks and always start their day with a healthy breakfast.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our students that play on our QCES Crusaders teams and our Jr. Raider Football teams:

7th/8th grade Baseball: Ian Cawthon, Hunter Leindecker, Hunter Rischar, Johnathan Schreacke

7th/8th grade Softball: Caroline Deters, Lindsey Fischer, Ava Monteyne, Kailey Wall

7th/8th grade Cross Country: Austin Haskins, Nate Larson, Nathan Pabisiak, Landon Pritts, Fiker Rosen, Naythen Ware

5th/6th grade Football: Caiden Geise, Sean Hagedorn, Cale Linenfelser, Tommy Pajic, Andrew Siebers, Luke Stokes

7th/8th grade Football: Tyler Bertram, Phillip Dyer, Jack Gilliland, Hunter Jones, Kaleb Kenning, Ethan Kite, Calvin Lavery, Elliott Maas, Drew McDonald, Ethan Sparrow

We wish you all the best for great seasons!!

REMINDERS

- ✍ If you have any paperwork (*Agreement to Abide by the Handbook, Parents as Partners, Students as Partners, etc.*) that still needs to be submitted, please do so as soon as possible so that Mrs. Hutson doesn't have to send home additional copies.
 - ✍ Dress code reminders: Socks - As stated in the dress code socks are required. They are to be a matching solid color and must be visible above the shoe. **Socks may only have 1 small emblem, no stripes, marks, etc.;** Shorts/Skirts - All shorts/skirts must be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.
 - ✍ Please also keep in mind that if your child has been sick they must be both fever and vomit free for 24 hours before returning back to school!
 - ✍ Please do not use the park road during our school day and do not drop off or pick up students on the park road. When dropping off students in the morning pull **all the way up to the flag pole** on our front parking lot and let your children out. We ask that anytime throughout the day, especially during morning drop off and afternoon dismissal that parents drive slowly and be aware that students may be in the parking lots.
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JUBILATION CHOIR

Jubilation, our parish students' liturgical choir, began rehearsals last Monday after school. All grade 4-8 students are welcome to join us! Jubilation rehearses every Monday (unless there is no school) from 3:00-3:45 pm in the Parish Music Room, and sings at school Masses and once a month at weekend Masses. For more information, contact Monica Scholz, m.scholz@cospq.org

FOUND YOUTH GROUP

FOUND is open to all 7th graders and older. They typically meet twice a month. The fall schedule was emailed on Wednesday, Aug. 24th to our 7th and 8th grade families. If you did not receive this please contact the school office. If your son or daughter would like to join, or if you have any questions about FOUND, please contact Gina Bergman, ginabergman1@gmail.com or 217-430-6080.

PMO CHOIR

Come sing with the PMO Choir! PMO Choir rehearsals will begin Wednesday, Sept. 7th in the choir room at QND. The Concert Choir (grades 7-8) will rehearse from 3:00-4:00 pm and the Cadet Choir (grades 4-6) will rehearse from 4:10 -5:00 pm. Flyers/registration forms were sent home last week. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Monica Scholz, PMO Choir Director, mscholz@quincynotredame.org or 223-2479 Ext 328.

FINE ARTS PROGRAM

St. Peter School Art Education

I'm excited to welcome Stephanie Koscielski to St. Peter School. She will be teaching art education to the students in grades 4th-8th starting September 6th.

Stephanie runs an art education studio, Mastic Arts. Her instruction is focused on exploring the individual's creative intuition, as well as introducing new approaches to creative working. Mastic Arts encourages young artists to become more confident making art and using materials. Giving individual attention and problem solving support, she encourages each student to follow their unique voice.

We will continue the Quincy Art Center's smArt Kids Mentor Program which provides visual arts education to grades K-3. In addition to art we will have Kelsey Celek with Quincy Community Theatre providing workshops throughout the year for all grades. These workshops explore acting, musical theatre,

storytelling and puppetry. If you would like to learn more or have any suggestions for our Fine Arts Program please contact me at timsteph2002@yahoo.com

Thanks,

Stephanie Weis, Fine Arts Coordinator

SUNDAY LITURGY OF THE WORD - Volunteers Needed to Teach Liturgy of the Word!

We are in need of volunteers to sign-up to teach the children the Liturgy of the Word during the 9:30a.m. Mass each Sunday. There is a book in the Martha Jane Room that outlines the lesson to teach each week, including a gospel reading, prayer suggestions, hands-on activities, and special talking points. You do not need to be a teacher in order to do this. All that is needed is a love for Jesus and spreading His word to the children of our parish! We just need to have one adult signed up to teach each Sunday, but there is also a spot if you would like to be a "helper" for the lesson. This is a great opportunity to earn service hours, so please visit the link below to sign up. I encourage you to sign up for multiple dates, if possible.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090945afa728a64-liturgy>

Thank you!

Kristen Walker

(708) 227-5721

CAMPBELLS LABELS FOR EDUCATION

Mrs. Angela Van Dyke, our Campbells LFE Coordinator has an update on this program:

As of August 1, 2016 **only UPCs with the *Labels for Education* logo** will be accepted and redeemed for points into registered schools' bank accounts. Campbells has begun the process of removing the logo and expect there will be a limited number of products that contain these labels in stores through August 1, 2017.

Once all *Labels for Education* logos have been removed from the products, UPCs will no longer be accepted. In the meantime, the banked points our school has accumulated will not be affected. All points earned can be used to redeem anything currently listed in the Merchandise Catalog. For the current school year, Campbell's has continued with the Grand Stand for Schools Sweepstakes. Individuals enter their school to have a chance to be one of 100 schools randomly selected to receive a \$10,000 award to help with the school's needs. This year you no longer need to collect and submit UPCs and Beverages/Sauce Caps as a means of entry. Enter at GrandStandForSchools.com for free and upload a receipt of an eligible purchase for 5 bonus entries. Plus, you have a chance to win a \$175 Visa® Prepaid Card for your next grocery trip. For more information, visit GrandStandForSchools.com

Sincerely, Angela Van Dyke, School Coordinator

GENE GRAWE CARDS

Just a reminder, *Gene Grawe* cards are available from the *Gene Grawe Office* in St. Peter Church Narthex Monday through Friday from 7:30 am-5:00 pm with the Fund Office staying open until 7:00 pm on Thursday evenings. Cards are also sold on Saturday mornings 9:00 am-1:00 pm.

BE SURE TO SIGN UP WITH THE GENE GRAWE FUND

4 year old Preschool through QND Juniors parents please make sure to sign up, if you haven't done so, with the *Gene Grawe Fund*. Simply by registering and then participating can reduce your tuition for next year. For details, contact JoAnn Witte at wittefam@adams.net. or stop by the *Gene Grawe* office in the Narthex.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTS ON RENWEB

Hot Lunch News: Hot lunch balances are on the RenWeb for you to review in the Family Information section. When you view your lunch balance online you will notice that a negative balance may appear. If you see a **negative balance** it is really a **credit**. (If you click on details an explanation is given for the amount.)

Also, the RENWEB program does not allow us to separate payments for more than one child. The balance on your account is for all of your children. If you have any questions regarding lunches, please contact Mrs. Boone at 222-3155 in the parish office.

WE ARE ON THE LOOKOUT - Need service hours?

Are you interested in earning any service hours? If so, we have an opportunity for someone to earn service hours simply by recording the Prairie Farms caps online. If interested, please be sure to contact Mrs. Roberta Hutson at 217-223-1120 or r.hutson@cospq.org. We will also need help with trimming, counting, and bagging HyVee UPC's and Box Tops.

LUNCH MENU CHANGE

On September 26th, we will be attending the City Wide Catholic Schools Mass at QND. The Mass begins at 10:00 am so we don't return back to school until after 11:00 am so we are late for our usual lunch schedule. This has always been a guessing game for our wonderful cafeteria ladies as to when to have our hot lunch program ready to begin. This year we are going to try to ease this situation by providing a sack lunch to students signed up to eat the school lunch program that day. Our menu for September 26th lunch will change to: Ham and Cheese on Whole Grain Bun, Sun Chips, Carrots and Dip, Fruit Cup, and Milk. Please note this change on your lunch menus at home.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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| Sep 12-23 | IOWA Assessment Testing |
| Sep 15 | Gr 4 field trip to Adams County Fair Grounds |
| Sep 16 | Midterm Quarter One |
| Sep 23 | Midterm Reports will be emailed to parents/posted on RenWeb |
| Sep 26 | City Wide Mass w/Bishop Paprocki 10:00 am at QND
GSA Wine and Cheese Event for new families 5:30-7:00 pm gym annex |