



Weekly Update



February 5th - February 9th

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

Follow the Golden Rule

SATURDAY, February 3rd:

- ♥ QCES Foundation 2018 Friend of the Catholic Schools Dinner - Western Catholic Union
- ♥ IESA Crusaders 7th gr Volleyball AWAY games - West Prairie Tri-Angular (Colchester)

MONDAY, February 5th:

- ♥ Grades 5 and 8 ACRE Testing - begins today through Feb 16th
- ♥ Jubilation Choir Rehearsal 3:00-3:45 pm - Parish Music Room
- ♥ Chess Club Meeting 6:00-7:30 pm Maria Goretti Room
- ♥ IESA Crusaders 7th/8th gr Volleyball HOME games vs Mendon Unity 6:00 pm

TUESDAY, February 6th:

- ♥ PMO Band Rehearsals - QND Music Rm: 5th gr 3:30-4:30 pm; 6th gr 4:30-5:30 pm; 6th-8th gr Jazz Band 5:30-6:00 pm; 7th/8th gr 6:00-7:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, February 7th:

- ♥ 8:30 am Children's Mass - Gr 2 assisting
- ♥ Gr 1 field trip - Quincy Art Center SmArt Art -11:50 am-2:00 pm
- ♥ Gr 3-8 field trip - QCT "Anne of Green Gables" 12:00-2:15 pm
- ♥ After School Art Class (Gr K-3) Maria Goretti Room (registered students only)
- ♥ After School Cooking Class (Gr 4-8) Cafeteria (registered students only)
- ♥ PMO Band Rehearsals: 5th gr 1:15-1:45 pm; 6th gr 1:45-2:15 pm; 7th/8th gr 1:45-2:15 pm
- ♥ PMO Choirs Rehearsals: 7th/8th gr 3:00-4:00 pm; 4th-6th gr 4:10-5:00 pm at QND Music Rm

THURSDAY, February 8th:

- ♥ Moms are Praying - Martha Jane Room 8:10 am
- ♥ Handbell Choir Rehearsal 3:00-4:15 pm
- ♥ Protecting God's Children Class 6:30-9:30 pm St. Peter Parish - call 222-3155 to register

FRIDAY, February 9th:

- ♥ 3rd quarter midterm reports posted on RenWeb
- ♥ Spirit Day! Donations to Haiti Water Filtration Systems
- ♥ Covey/Catholic Habits Assembly 8:15 am; Gr 3 presenting Habit #5 - Listen and Reflect (Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood)
- ♥ Scholastic Quiz Bowl Team Practice 3:00-4:30 pm School Library/Conference Room
- ♥ After School Spanish Class 3:00-4:00 pm Martha Jane/Maria Goretti Rooms (registered students only)

SATURDAY, February 10th:

- ♥ IESA 8th gr Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games - Jacksonville (Turner Jr High)Tourney

SUNDAY, February 11th:

- ♥ FOUND Youth Group - Dodgeball - 6:30-8:00 pm - Meet/pick-up in Martha Jane Room

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

We had an absolutely awesome Catholic Schools Week! Our students were outstanding at all of our Masses and after Masses everyone had fun having pancakes thrown at them! We are also very proud of our students that were a part of Monday's Living Rosary. These were both very meaningful traditions to start our week of celebrating Catholic Schools. We all had fun with our special days this week - with our daily dress codes, all of the games and special classroom activities. We loved having parents join us for Mass and then share their morning with us. It has just been a fun week!! Our canned goods/non-perishable collection for Catholic Charities continues to grow. If you haven't seen our collection, please stop in the gym lobby where we have it displayed. Catholic Charities is coming Tuesday morning to pick the items up. As of today, our students, teachers, and staff have brought in 2201 items! How awesome is that?! We also want to congratulate our 6th-8th grade students. Their Rube Goldberg Inventions and Science Fair projects were very creative and well thought out. The students put in so much time with these projects and it certainly showed. We are sure that everyone that came to this exhibit walked away having learned something new! As of this writing we have not had our annual 8th grade Volleyball games but we are sure they will be exciting and very well played! Thank you to everyone for participating and joining us for this very special week. We are so very blessed in Quincy to have our outstanding Catholic schools and the opportunities to have our children attend these schools. We thank you for trusting your children to our school. Together, we continue to grow every day through God's love for us all.

We would like to hear what our families thought of this year's Catholic Schools Week. Attached is a quick survey we would like our families to complete. Thank you for doing this for us. We certainly appreciate your thoughts and time.

BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

Thank you to the following students for participating in the Birthday Book Club: Axton Beaber, Deacon Bliefnick, Laura Craig, Neil Dighe, Blair Eftink, Aubree Fry, Evan Fry, Campbell George, Jenna Johnson, Michael Ley, Madison Mason, Ali Meyer, Malena Miller, Roger Moore, Timi Odumosu, Lucas Ohnemus, Olivia Ohnemus, Mia Pabisiak, Nathan Pabisiak, Joseph Radel, Jacob Reeder, Luca Santora, Charlotte Scholz, Elise Sedovic, Michael Sedovic, Alex Stegner, Adam Stuckman, Aiden Tangy, Mary Emma Venvertloh and Charsten Williams.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration for 3 yr old and 4 yr old preschool classes for the 2018-2019 school year were sent home this Friday to our currently enrolled students and families. Just to make sure we didn't miss anyone, we also mailed registration paperwork on Friday to every family with preschool age children that are registered with our Parish. If you have a child eligible for 3 or 4 year old Preschool and do not receive this paperwork by next Friday, Feb 9th, please be sure to contact Mrs. Roberta Hutson in the school office to request the enrollment paperwork (223-1120).

Next year our 3 year old classes will be three days a week (Tuesdays-Thursdays) while our 4 yr old classes will take place five days a week. Morning classes are from 8:05-11:00 am and afternoon classes take place from 12:00-2:47 pm.

We have the potential to fill the classes quickly as we have many parishioners and school families who have children who are eligible to enroll in our classes. Upon receiving your paperwork please be careful to read through the information letter and registration form.

On Feb. 20th from 6:00-7:00 p.m. we will begin accepting registrations for these classes. Our school doors open at 5:30 p.m. (We are not able to accept registrations prior to Feb. 20th.) We look forward to seeing our potential preschool families on the evening of Feb. 20th.

PMO BANDS/CHOIRS - CULVER'S NIGHTS

PMO Organization Bands and Choirs are having two fundraising nights at Culver's this semester. They will be on February 8 and March 8. These will be held from 4:00-8:00 pm each night. PMO

Band/Choir will receive 10% of any orders taken (dine in or drive thru) on these evenings during this time period. Enjoy a great meal and support our talented students in PMO!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASSES

St. Peter School will have a training session for Protecting God's Children this Thursday, February 8th from 6:30-9:30 pm. Please call the Parish Office, 222-3155, to register. If you are interested in helping in your child/ren's classroom, driving for field trips, etc. our Parish and the Springfield Diocese require you to attend this training session. *This is a one-time only training.* If you have already participated in a class, you do not have to take it again

Blessed Sacrament Parish/School has also scheduled opportunities for parents to attend a Protecting God's Children class. The following sessions will be held at Blessed Sacrament School, 1117 South 7th. Please call 217-222-2759 to register for any of these sessions: Monday, February 26th, and Monday, March 26th. All sessions at Blessed Sacrament are from 6:00-9:00 pm.

INVEST IN KIDS ACT - ILLINOIS SCHOLARSHIP TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

These scholarships are available to K-12 students and are based on financial need. With this new legislation, families are able to choose to enroll in a non-public (private/parochial) school with scholarship money available for tuition and necessary fees. Families wishing to apply for scholarships can begin doing so on January 31, 2018. Applications will be processed through empowerillinois.org. To be considered for a 2018-2019 scholarship, K-12 students must come from a household with income below 300 percent of the federal poverty level (\$73,800 for family of four). Prior to April 1, priority will be given to students from households below 185 percent of the federal poverty level (\$45,510 for family of four) or students who reside in "focus district" (low-performing public schools.)

The following is a check list of documents you will need:

- A copy of your family's 2016 federal tax return. If the family did not file a 2016 tax return, **please** contact us at info@empowerillinois.org
- Proof of Illinois residency, such as: Current utility bill, Current driver license
- Documentation of the student's age, such as: A copy of the student's birth certificate, Federal or State ID, or a passport
- If available, a letter of acceptance or enrollment at an eligible, participating, non-public school.

For more information on applying for Invest in Kids scholarships, consult:

https://empowerillinois.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Tax_Credit_Scholarship_Program_Apply-121817.pdf

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Please mark your calendars for these special upcoming events:

Feb 20	Preschool Registration for 2018-19 school year
Mar 5-16	IOWA Testing for grades 2-8
Mar 16	Kindergarten Round Up; Current Kindergarten Classes will dismiss for the day at 11:30 am; no after school busses or daycare for Kindergarten
Mar 26-Apr 2	Easter Break - No School
Apr 10	Confirmation (8 th Grade) Rehearsal/pictures for Confirmation will be Apr 4 th
May 6	First Communion (2 nd Grade) Rehearsal will be April 3 rd
May 8	Olympic Day (Gr 5-8) rain date May 10
May 21	Graduation (8 th Grade)
May 29	Last Day of School (Grade K-7) unless more snow days are used

UPCOMING DATES:

- Feb 11 Jr Table Tennis Tournament - K of C (registration was sent home w/students)
- Feb 12-16 ACRE Testing continues gr 5 and 8
- Feb 12 IESA 7th/8th gr Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games vs Pittsfield 6:00 pm
- Feb 13 Art Classes w/Stephanie Javaux - Rms 4W, 5E, 6E
8th grade classes visit QND 9:15 am-1:00 pm (will eat lunch at QND)
- Feb 14 Happy Valentines Day!
Ash Wednesday - 8:30 am Children's Mass - Gr 1 assisting
Additional Masses: 12:10 pm; 6:30 pm; Mass at QND 10:00 am
Kelsey Celek W/QCT here w/7th and 8th grade classes
- Feb 15 GSA Meeting 10:00 am School Conference Room
- Feb 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ day of school - 11:30 am dismissal; Full bus service today; no PM daycare
- Feb 17 IESA 7th/8th gr Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games vs New Berlin 1:00 pm
- Feb 18 FOUND Youth Group-Cassanos Pizza Party-drop off/pick up at Cassanos 6:30-8:00 pm
- Feb 19 President's Day - No School
IESA 7th/8th gr Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games vs Macomb 6:00 pm
- Feb 20 Gr 2 field trip - Quincy Art Center SmArt Class 11:50 am-2:15 pm
- Feb 21 8:30 am Children's Mass - Kindergarten assisting
IESA 7th/8th gr Crusaders Volleyball HOME games vs Payson 6:00 pm
- Feb 22 Kindergarten field trip - Quincy Art Center SmArt Class 12:00-1:45 pm