



# Weekly Update



February 24<sup>th</sup> - March 2<sup>nd</sup>

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

## SUNDAY, February 24<sup>th</sup>:

- ♥ FOUND Youth Group "Game Night" 6:30-8:00 pm; Meet in Martha Jane Room
- ♥ QND Open House 1:00-3:00 pm

## MONDAY, February 25<sup>th</sup>:

- ♥ No Jubilation Rehearsal after school; will resume March 25<sup>th</sup>
- ♥ Chess Club Meeting 6:30-7:30 pm Maria Goretti Room

## TUESDAY, February 26<sup>th</sup>:

- ♥ PMO Band Rehearsals at QND: 3:30-4:30 Beginners Band; 4:30-5:30 pm Concert Band; 5:30-6:00 pm Jazz Band; 6:00-7:00 pm Cadet Band
- ♥ Preschool Enrollment Night 5:30 pm; doors open at 5:00 pm

## WEDNESDAY, February 27<sup>th</sup>:

- ♥ Children's School Mass 8:30 am- Kindergarten students assisting
- ♥ PMO Band Rehearsals: 5<sup>th</sup> gr 1:15-1:45 pm; 6<sup>th</sup> gr 1:45-2:15 pm Music Room
- ♥ After School Quincy Art Center Classes - registered students only in Grades K-3 2:30-3:30 pm
- ♥ PMO Choir Rehearsals at QND: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Concert Choir 3:00-4:00 pm; 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Cadet Choir 4:10-5:00 pm
- ♥ Teachers Meetings 2:30-4:00 pm
- ♥ Early Dismissal at 2:25 pm for students in gr PK-8<sup>th</sup>. (This will occur throughout the school year.)
- ♥ Scholastic Bowl Team AWAY Match vs Unity

## THURSDAY, February 28<sup>th</sup>:

- ♥ Moms Are Praying 8:10-9:00 am Martha Jane Room
- ♥ Crazy 8's Math Club Meeting 3:00-4:00 pm (registered students only)
- ♥ No Handbell Choir Rehearsal today
- ♥ Parent Night/Dress Rehearsal Music Program 6:30 pm; students should be in their classrooms between 6:00-6:15 pm

## FRIDAY, March 1<sup>st</sup>:

- ♥ **Grandparents Day!!** Schedule will be Music Program 9:30 am-gym; Grandparents may visit the classrooms and at 11:00 am lunch begins; 1:00 pm Mass; Dismissal following Mass (approx. 2:00 pm)
- ♥ **No afternoon busses; No after school daycare**
- ♥ **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Midterm** - Reports are posted on RenWeb
- ♥ **2019-2020 Pre-enrollment/family agreement forms are due to the school office today**
- ♥ **No Scholastic Bowl Team practice today**
- ♥ **Deadline to register online for Kids Heart Challenge;** We will receive credit for \$500.00 for new PE equipment.

**SATURDAY, March 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

♥ **QCES 8<sup>th</sup> gr Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games-Unity 8<sup>th</sup> gr Tourney - Mendon, IL**

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**PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26<sup>th</sup>**

2019-2020 Preschool Enrollment Night is this Tuesday evening, February 26<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:30 p.m. (School Doors will open at 5:00 pm.) Parishioners and current school families were sent a letter/registration form with all additional information. (If for some reason you did not receive a letter please be sure to contact Mrs. Roberta Hutson, school secretary at 223-1120.) Children must be either 3 or 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2019 and be toilet trained to enroll in the program.

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**PARENT NIGHT/DRESS REHEARSAL - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Night/Dress Rehearsal is this Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in our school gym. All K-6<sup>th</sup> students and 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> students in the Grandparents Day Electives Class are expected to participate. This is part of their Music Curriculum/grade and has been on our school calendar from the beginning of the school year. Students should be in their classrooms between 6:00-6:15 except for our 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Instead of going to their classrooms in Seton Hall, our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will meet in Mrs. Reeder's Music Classroom.

**Dismissal at the conclusion of our program will be as follows to try to alleviate congestion in our hallways and stairwells:** Students will be dismissed from the gym at the end of evening but instead of collecting each of your children from their individual classrooms, **students will go to the classroom of their youngest brother or sister.** Moms and Dads will pick up everyone from that classroom. We ask that parents keep their son or daughter's coats with them during the performance. If that is not possible, then students, upon arrival should leave their coats in their youngest brother or sister's classroom and then report to their own classroom.

We are looking forward to this wonderful performance of celebrating the Great Outdoors!

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**GRANDPARENT/SPECIAL PERSON'S DAY - FRIDAY, MARCH 1<sup>st</sup>**

Grandparent/Special Person's Day is this Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and we are so excited this special day is here! Mrs. Reeder and our students have been working very hard on our Musical Program and we know it will be awesome! We are so very blessed to have our grandparents/special persons join us for this very fun day for all of us. If Grandma and Grandpa weren't sure if they could join us and now discover they can, please just let the school office know. All are welcome!! Our day will begin with our Musical Program at 9:30 am in the gym, Grandma and Grandpa may then visit their Grandchildren's classrooms and we will begin to call classrooms, beginning with Kindergarten to lunch around 11:00 am. Please share with your children that when the youngest child in the family's classroom is called brothers, sisters and cousins should also come to lunch at that time to eat with Grandma and Grandpa. After lunch, they may visit classrooms again. We will end our day with Mass at approximately 1:00 pm. Students should sit with Grandma and Grandpa and we will dismiss the students at the conclusion of Mass (approximately 2:00 pm). **Please make arrangements for your children to leave with Grandma and Grandpa/Special persons or please be here to pick them up. We will not have bus service or St. Peter After School Daycare on this afternoon. We will also not have 4 year old Preschool classes on this Friday.**

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**PRE-ENROLLMENT INFORMATION 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade Pre-enrollment/registration paperwork for the 2019-2020 school year was emailed to current PK4-7<sup>th</sup> grade families on Thursday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> from Mrs. Venvertloh. Please make every effort to read through all the information that was sent as there are many important dates and deadlines. If you have any questions, please contact the School Office at 217-223-1120 and we will do our best to help guide families through this. Please note the first important date/deadline is that all pre-enrollment/family agreement forms are due to the school by this Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## QUINCY NOTRE DAME OPEN HOUSE - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24<sup>th</sup>

Quincy Notre Dame High School will hold an Open House on Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. at 1400 S. 11th Street, Quincy, Ill. Parents and students interested in attending QND are invited to attend. Everyone is welcome to come for all or part of the afternoon. The first hour will be informational presentations and discussions in the cafeteria for the parents while the students visit with current QND students in a classroom. The second hour is open for tours of the school with teachers available in the classrooms. Families can explore on their own or be included in a QND student-guided tour.

The schedule for the QND Open House is as follows:

1:00 p.m. - Welcome and overview with Principal Mark McDowell and QND students (QND Cafeteria)

1:30 p.m. - "Ways to Make QND a Reality" presentation with question and answer session about financial assistance, completing the FACTS form, Gene Grawe Fund and more (QND Cafeteria)

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Tour QND and meet teachers

For more information, please contact Mary Pat Vahlkamp at 217-223-2479 ext. 326 or email [mvahlkamp@quincynotredame.org](mailto:mvahlkamp@quincynotredame.org).

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## KIDS HEART CHALLENGE - ONLINE REGISTRATION MARCH 1<sup>st</sup>

St. Peter School Students are participating in the Kids Heart Challenge through their PE Classes. This is a slight change from past years as this program was known as Jump Rope for Heart or Hoops for Heart. We have been asked to encourage our students to register at [heart.org/kidsheartchallenge](http://heart.org/kidsheartchallenge) or with the mobile app Kids Heart Challenge by March 1<sup>st</sup>. If our school has 50% of our students registered by March 1<sup>st</sup>, we will automatically earn \$500.00 with US Games for new PE Equipment. Thank you, as always, for all of your support!

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## ST PETER SCHOOL CHESS TOURNAMENT - MARCH 9<sup>th</sup>

Does your son or daughter enjoy playing the game of Chess? St. Peter Chess Club is hosting a Chess Tournament on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am -12:30 pm. The tournament is open to all 4 Catholic Grade Schools for students in grades Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. You do not need to be a member of the Chess Club to participate/compete in this tournament. Matches will be divided into different age groups. Registration is due to the St. Peter School Office by March 4<sup>th</sup>. For more information please contact Chris Gill at [cgill@culver.edu](mailto:cgill@culver.edu). We are once again attaching the registration form to this update.

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## KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP - MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>

Our Kindergarten Round up will **be Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>** from 12:30-2:30 pm in our gym. Evidently, we didn't double-check our dates and some of the forms have both March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> listed as Kindergarten Round Up dates. This event is on Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> and we sincerely apologize for the confusion this has caused. We thank Mrs. Gina Bergman for being our coordinator for this event this year. All potential Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. We have sent home Kindergarten Round Up registration forms home with our 4 year old Preschool students and have mailed forms to our families that are St. Peter Church parishioners. We are also attaching a registration form to this update. If you know of a family that may be interested in St. Peter School, we ask that you please share this information with them.

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## QCES CURRICULUM MAPPING - FEBRUARY UPDATE

In February, the teachers from Blessed Sacrament, St. Dominic, St. Francis, and St. Peter continued working on their science curriculum maps. The 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers met in grade level groups to add details to their maps. The maps contain seven components: standards, essential questions, content, skills, assessment, resources, and technology. Below you will find information explaining content and skills.

**Content:** key concepts, targeted facts, and core content.

**Skills:** what students need to know or be able to do in order to demonstrate mastery or understanding of the content.

**Sample:**

| <b>Standard</b>                                                              | <b>Essential Questions</b>                      | <b>Content</b>                                         | <b>Skills</b>                                                                                                                                                    |
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| <b>Plants</b><br>K-LS1 From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes | <b>Plants</b><br>How do plants grow and change? | <b>Plants</b><br>-Parts<br>-Life cycle<br>-Basic needs | <b>Plants</b><br>-Identify roots, stems, leaves, flowers, and seeds of a plant<br>-Sequence the life cycle of plants<br>-Identify the five basic needs of plants |

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**BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB 2018 - 2019**

I'm a little behind this year in thanking the BBC participants! Sorry! Thank you to the following students from October, December, January, February, June, July & August for participating in the Birthday Book Club:

Cate Aschemann, Luke Awerkamp, Madeline Baker, Isaac Bealor, Ben Bergman, Deacon Bliefnick, Greyson Bliefnick, Isabelle Boudreau, Duke Bowles, Aubrielle Bradfield, Maggie Brown, Penelope Cook, Laura Craig, Jason Derian, Kate Derian, Sean Dighe, Beau Eftink, Charlie Fischer, Campbell George, Evan Goesten Kors, Tyler Goesten Kors, Kate Gramke, Sophie Gramke, Evelyn Hauk, Keaton Holley, Xander Huber, Jenna Johnson, Andrew Konrad, Camryn Kurk, Jude Larson, Michael Ley, Ryland Liesen, Hil Maduakor, Elena Mast, Ross McNay, Malena Miller, Timi Odumosu, Olivia Ohnemus, Jacob Pabisiak, Mia Pabisiak, Asher Peters, Paige Rabe, Joseph Radel, Jacob Reeder, Carter Rhodes, Luca Santora, Charlotte Scholz, Olivia Scholz, Elise Sedovic, Michael Sedovic, Alex Stegner, Brooke Stegeman, Grace Stokes, Adam Stuckman, Aiden Tangy, Augustine Venvertloh, Mary Emma Venvertloh, Hayden Ware, Ana West, Paisley Willer and Laikyn Willingham. **I have a few students from these months that I haven't been able to get into the library yet. Thank you for your patience, we will get to you!!**

We wish to extend a very special Thank You to Sophia Weis and Charlie Lavery. Sophia and Charlie have both participated in the BBC for 9 years! A very special Thank You, also, to these 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who have participated in the BBC for several years: Blair Eftink, Madison Frese, Sophia Gramke and Ian Paxton. We wish you all the very best as you graduate from St. Peter and begin your adventure in High School!! Thank you so much! ~Mrs. Pagliara, Birthday Book Club Coordinator.

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**TAX INFORMATION - TUITION**

For parents wishing to claim your tuition payments on your income tax filing, we are again attaching the instructions from FACTS to this week's update. There is also a FACTS helpline phone number included in this attachment for additional help.

We are also attaching the Illinois Dept. of Revenue 2018 Schedule ICR IL-1040 Instructions. This contains the information for Education Expense Credit.

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**TEACHING POSITION OPEN FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

St. Peter School has a teaching position open and we are seeking to hire a new teacher. The ideal candidate should have an Illinois teaching license as well as an endorsement in History/Social Studies for the Junior High level. Other responsibilities include teaching Reading and Religion to students in grades 7 or 8. Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh, St. Peter School, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301 or c.venvertloh@cospq.org. Please send by March 1st.

We, again, send to Mrs. Schodroski our very best wishes in her new adventure of retirement!

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**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL POSITION - ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL**

St. Anthony of Padua Parish is seeking an elementary school principal for their parish school, St. Dominic, beginning August 1, 2019. St. Dominic School provides academic excellence in a Catholic environment for 170 students in preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The ideal candidate will be a practicing, faithful Catholic who is knowledgeable and supportive of the mission and philosophy of Catholic Schools and is committed to evangelization through excellence in Catholic education. Applicants should hold a Master's Degree in

Education with Illinois License and have experience in elementary school teaching and administration. All interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, transcripts, three current letters of recommendation, and proof of Illinois Professional Educator's License to Fr. Tom Donovan, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 2223 St. Anthony Rd, Quincy, IL 62305 or email [tdonovan@stanthonypadua.org](mailto:tdonovan@stanthonypadua.org) by March 1, 2019.

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**UPCOMING DATES:**

- Mar 3-15 IOWA Testing - Grades 2 - 8
- Mar 4 Chess Club Meeting 6:00-7:00 pm  
No Jubilation Choir Rehearsal today
- Mar 5 5<sup>th</sup> Gr Classrooms Wax Museum Rm 5E 1:30-1:50 pm; Rm 5W 2:00-2:20 pm  
QND Students reading to K-gr 3 students 1:30-2:00 pm
- Mar 6 Ash Wednesday - Mass Schedule  
8:30 am Children's Mass - Gr 8 assisting  
Rescheduled Internet Safety Student Presentations Gr 3-8
- Mar 7 Kelsey Celek w/QCT here with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> grades; Rms 4W, 6W  
Crazy 8's Math Club 3:00-4:00 pm
- Mar 8 Spirit Day!! Donations designated to Quincy Nursing Homes  
Patriots Assemby: Gr 3 presenting "O" Obedience
- Mar 9 Chess Club Tournament 8:15 am-12:30 pm
- Mar 10 FOUND Youth Group "Minute To Win It" 6:30-8:00 pm Martha Jane Room  
Daylight Saving Time begins - "Spring" clocks forward one hour