

ST. PATRICK PRIDE



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Spirit Wear Order Reminder

Did you check out the logo wear you could order this fall? We are trying a different way to purchase logo wear and will offer these orders four times throughout the school year. If you are interested in something that we didn't have on the order form this time, just send an email to Mrs. Lloyd or myself and we will try to accommodate you in our next order. The orders are due into the school office by Friday, Sept. 30th. Please make checks out to St. Patrick of Heatherdowns. Orders will be delivered the week of Oct. 17th.

Our next order will be due by November 8th and delivery will be the week of December 5th.

Orders can be turned in anytime during the school year; however, they will only be ordered on the official dates.

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The next newsletter will be only sent home to those who need a hard copy and have designated that on the return page of the Parent Handbook. If you haven't sent back that last page of the handbook, please do so ASAP, so you don't miss any communications.

Protecting Youth Class

St. Pat's will host the required *Protecting Youth and Those Who Serve* seminar of Thursday, September 29th in the Holy Family Center from 6:30-8:30 p.m. This class is required if you plan on volunteering in the classroom or the lunchroom and/or driving on a field trip. This class must be renewed every five years. You should also know this class is free of charge.

Rosary

On Tuesday, October 11th at 2:15 our school will have a Rosary Service and everyone is invited. October is a "Mary" month so it is a perfect time to teach our students how to pray the Rosary. Any family members who are interested are encouraged to come. We will also have a Rosary Service sometime in May as that is also a month to honor Mary. Our eighth graders will assist in the Rosary Service.

Evening with Mrs. O'Shea

The Fall PSO meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 6th at 7pm in the Holy Family Center. Light refreshments will be served. The agenda will include an overview of the PSO (Parent School Organization) and fundraising activities that PSO sponsors. An opportunity to meet the new principal during "An Evening with Mrs. O'Shea" will be the highlight of the meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Ohio Skate

Ohio Skate gives a percentage back to the school if we have 100 people or more attend. Skate times are 6:30 – 8:30 the 1st Monday of each month. Admission is \$3.50 and skate rental is \$1.00. Our first evening is Monday, October 3rd.

Also in this Mailing

- Reverse Raffle
- Skating Party
- Pancake Breakfast
- 8th Grade Band Night at St. John's
- Toledo Botanical Gardens
"Nightfall Festival"

Picture Retakes

Picture re-takes will be November 2nd. Parents wanting their students' picture retaken MUST send in their picture packet. Anyone who was not in school will have their picture taken and/or if parents did not order but have changed their mind and would like to, they will need to fill out and bring in their order/payment envelope with them that day.



October 3, 2011

Remember that there is no school on Monday, October 3rd. This is a professional development day for our teachers.

Scantron Testing

Beginning next week and through the month of October, all the third, fifth and seventh graders will be taking our diocesan Scantron test. This test is taken online in the computer lab on the days these students normally have computer class. Please make sure your children are getting plenty of sleep and have a nutritious breakfast every day so they can be at their optimal performance while taking the test.

Entertainment Books



Help send a 5th or 6th grade student to camp, purchase a 2012 Entertainment Book! Sale begins September 28th and runs through October 14th. Books are also available in the school office.

Upcoming Events

- ❖ Sunday, September 25th – K of C Pancake Breakfast 8–11 a.m. in CAFT
- ❖ Tuesday, Sept. 27th and Wednesday Sept. 28th – Grade 8 High School Visitation – Please put the eighth graders in your prayers as they discern which high school is best for them.
- ❖ Thursday, September 29th – Protecting Youth class in HFC at 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ Weekend of October 1st and 2nd – Ministry Fair after Masses in CAFT
- ❖ Sunday, October 2nd – 8th grade Confirmation Retreat, 11:30–6 in HFC
- ❖ Monday, October 3rd – No School, Teacher In-Service
- ❖ Monday, October 3rd – Ohio Skate 6:30–8:30 p.m.
- ❖ Thursday, October 6th – PSO “Evening with Mrs. O’Shea” at 7:00 p.m. in HFC
- ❖ Tuesday, October 11th – Rosary in church at 2:15, all invited!
 - No band on this day
- ❖ Saturday October 14th & Sunday, October 15th – Boy Scouts Spaghetti Dinner (more info to come) – in HFC
- ❖ Tuesday, October 18th – National Mix it up at Lunch Day (grades4–8)
 - Presentation of the “Ned Show” at 2:00 for K–6
- ❖ Wednesday, October 19th – Change Day for Seventh Graders
- ❖ Monday, October 24th – Friday, October 28th – Red Ribbon Week
- ❖ Friday, October 28th – Last Day of First Quarter
 - Halloween Party Day with Parade and Pep Rally
(There will be no celebrations on the 31st.)
- ❖ Sunday, October 30th – 8th Grade Confirmation, 2:00

TANZANIA: THE GREAT ADVENTURE

Dear Parents,

Our mission project for the school year is TANZANIA: THE GREAT ADVENTURE. Through interactive presentations during the year, the students of SPH will be introduced to the fascinating country of Tanzania, its geography, history, daily life of its people, and the mission of the Catholic Church. At our first presentation on September 23, we will discuss the geography of Tanzania, highlighting world-famous sites such as the plains of the Serengeti, Mount Kilimanjaro, Lake Victoria and Lake Tanganyika. The students will be introduced to the school and children of St. Francis de Sales School in Ipuli on the outskirts of Tabora.

Our goal is to create a relationship that allows the dignity of all to be preserved as well as the resources and experiences of all to be shared. To further the understanding of a different culture and way of life, our students will become pen pals with the students at St. Francis de Sales in Ipuli. This first letter will be a brief introduction about themselves. The large body of the letter we would like to be about the geography of our country, state, or locality. Pictures of their city or state will be encouraged to better show the students about our land. If possible, please allow your child to bring in a photo they have selected that best shows their pen pal the place they have described in their letter. This photo will not be returned, but will be a memento to their pen pal. We anticipate a return response from the students of St. Francis to share with the classrooms.

As the school year progresses, we will become better acquainted with the students of St Francis de Sales through our presentations and continued dialogue. We wish to also look for opportunities to assist the administration and faculty at St. Francis with the education of their students by providing some of the necessary tools for education. We will keep you informed as these events continue.

Thank you for allowing us to spend time with your child.

Gisela Stiles

Pam Mahaney

Sharon Christy



You've got a friend in me!