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Parent Newsletter #19

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We have reached halftime of the current school year and while we are still working hard towards our academic goals, we would like to take time to reflect on the first half of the year and make the necessary adjustments for the second half. The first five months of the year was an adjustment period for both students and staff alike as we introduced new programs, students, staff members, and class structures to our repertoire. While it was quite hectic in the beginning, I am so very proud of everything our students and staff have accomplished and for our ability to maintain in-person instruction. As we head into the second half of the year, we are determined to continue to meet the challenges we face head-on with tenacity and effective collaboration with our most valued asset: you. We want to continue to improve our craft and ensure that we are meeting your family's needs so please continue to communicate with us about how we can best serve you and your family. That is our goal and our purpose. Thanks again for choosing to be a part of our family and here's to a great second half!

In Case You Missed It...

- We are still in need of volunteers for lunch and recess. It can be moms, dads, sisters, uncles, grandmas, we accept them all. Any way you can help out goes a long way and the kids love seeing our volunteers. We are extremely grateful for all of the help we get. Please contact the school office if you are interested in helping during lunch and/or recess.
- The January church bulletin board was decorated by the school students to celebrate Catholic Schools Week which begins on January 30th. Be sure to check it out!
- Mark your calendars. Our annual St. Peter School Auction event will take place on Saturday, March 19th in the St. Peter School gymnasium. This is our school's largest fundraising event so please help spread the word.
- ATTENTION: Kindergarten registration for the 2022-2023 school year is underway. In order to be eligible, a child must be five years old by August 1st. Please remember that you **DO NOT** need to be Catholic to join our family. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our St. Peter School family, please call our office to request information or share on Facebook and other social media outlets.
- A reminder that semester tuition payments are due January 30th.
- Catholic Schools Week kicks off on January 30th and we have a lot of fun events planned so please stay tuned for more information and details about our week long celebration.
- The end of our first semester is Friday and grade cards will be available on Gradelink that day. There will also be no school this Friday due to a staff in-service.

Just Thought You Should Know...

- The 3rd grade will be leading our liturgy service this Wednesday at 8:15. There are no longer any seating restrictions for these services so parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. These

services will also be live streamed on our school Facebook page for those who are unable to attend.

- We are selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a beautiful king size quilt handcrafted by Pat Smith. Tickets are \$1.00 a piece, 6 for \$5.00, or 13 for \$10.00. We are asking each family to sell 13 tickets and return them to the school so they can be entered into the drawing which will take place at our St. Peter School Benefit Auction on March 19th. Please contact the office with any questions you might have.
- The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake and sausage breakfast on Sunday, January 30th in the school gymnasium following the 10:30 Mass. This will serve as the kickoff to our Catholic Schools Week celebrations and we will also be hosting an Open House that day so come check out what makes our school so unique. The meal is for a \$5.00 suggested donation and all proceeds will go to support the school.
- The 2022 EdChoice Expansion Scholarship application window is now open for any family that is interested in tuition assistance. The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship provides vouchers for students with household income levels at 250% or below the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship amount is typically around \$4650 per student in grades K – 8. For more information about the EdChoice Scholarship Expansion Program please visit education.ohio.gov/edchoice. We encourage any family who might qualify for this scholarship to apply. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.
- Winter MAP testing continues this week for select students. The purpose of winter MAP testing is to monitor our students' progress towards their academic goals as well as to help our staff identify curricular areas of strength and areas that require improvement. Many of our students have also developed MAP goals that they are working hard to accomplish and winter MAP testing will allow them to check their progress. If you have any questions or concerns about MAP testing please contact your child(ren)'s teacher or the school office for more details.
- The application window for the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund is now open for any family wishing to apply for tuition assistance. We strongly encourage any family who is interested in tuition assistance, to please apply. Please visit the website <https://nosf.org/> or contact the school office for more information.
- Our next For the Love of Pete drawing will take place on February 1st. There are still tickets available to get entered into next month's drawing. Please contact the school if you would like to purchase a ticket. Ticket price is \$100. Thanks so much to all who have participated so far.
- Happy Birthday this week to: Mckinley H. (K), Aaden B. (5), and Rebecca T. (2)
- Good luck to our CYO basketball teams this weekend. The 3rd grade boys host OLC at 10:00; the 4th grade boys play at Calvert at 10:00; the 5th/6th grade boys host St. Patrick at 11:10; and the 3rd grade girls host Regina Coeli at 1:00 on Sunday. Stop out and see our kids in action!

Quote of the Week: "The secret of your future is hidden in your daily routine" ~ Mike Murdock