

Well, it's finally here: May, the final month of the school year and with it, we have reached the final countdown of the school year (cue the band Europe in the background). What a year this has been and it's not quite over yet. This month has a lot in store for our students as we finish up mandatory (not fun) stuff but really begin to have some fun. Here are some of the highlights these last few weeks have in store for us. Our 6th grade students will be taking a field trip to the Wyandot County Recycling Center on Thursday to learn more about this important resource. On Friday, our K-2 grade students will be taking a field trip to the Columbus Zoo for some fun and education. Also on Friday, our 5th and 6th grade students will be traveling to Toledo to visit the Holy Rosary Cathedral. Next Friday our 2nd grade class will be visiting the high school for their annual Ag Day where they will learn about the importance of agriculture in our community. The 3rd grade class will also be participating in the Wyandot County history field trip on May 16th and all of our classes will be traveling to Harrison Smith Park next Thursday for our field day and lunch party sponsored by our St. Peter School Parent Team. Finally, our annual St. Pete Bike Ride is Friday, May 19th. This will be Mrs. Eyestone's final bike ride so we are hoping for good weather and are looking forward to fellowship and fun while getting some exercise in the process. Our end of the year Awards ceremony and PK and K graduation will take place on Thursday, May 25th at the church. Time for this event will be TBD. Our final Honors Mass will be on May 24th at 8:20. So many things going on this month to be excited for. We are continually blessed and grateful for the support our families have shown all year and for the cooperation and collaboration you have shown. Thank you again for everything you do for our school and for our students. God Bless.

### **In Case You Missed It...**

- PK registration is also still open for the 2023-2024 school year. In order to be eligible, a child must be four years old by September 1st. This year, we will be offering full-day services (8:00-2:30) five days a week. Please remember that you **DO NOT** need to be Catholic to join our school 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 friendly reminder that during the morning student drop-off hours, cars may not drop off students on the street by the school or in the bus zone and refrain from dropping students off in the middle of the drop-off loop. This request comes from Upper Sandusky Exempted Village Schools in order to allow school buses to safely drop off St. Peter School students.
- We are currently in the process of updating and revamping our school's advertising abilities and we need your help. We are asking for family testimonials that we can share on our website, Facebook page, and in hard copy brochures. If you would like to offer a personal testimonial, we would greatly appreciate it. Please submit any testimonials via email to [bengland@stpeterupper.com](mailto:bengland@stpeterupper.com). Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

### **Just Thought You Should Know...**

- The 6th grade class will be leading our liturgy service this Wednesday at 8:20. This is also our crowning ceremony where we will honor the mother of Jesus in a very special way. Our second graders are welcome and encouraged to wear their first communion outfits for this occasion. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. These services will also be filmed and posted to our school Facebook page for those who are unable to attend.

- **ATTENTION: Scholarship Opportunity:** The 2023-2024 EdChoice Expansion Scholarship application window **WILL BE CLOSING** at the end of May 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 \$5500 per student in grades K-8. For more information about the EdChoice Scholarship Expansion Program please visit [education.ohio.gov/edchoice](https://education.ohio.gov/edchoice) for more details. We strongly encourage any family who might qualify for this scholarship to apply. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.
- **ATTENTION: Scholarship Opportunity:** The application window for the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund **WILL BE CLOSING** at the end of May 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 Spring Scholastic Book Fair will take place during the week of May 8th in the school gymnasium. More information will be coming soon.
- Our Parent Team will be hosting a Spring Park Fun Day on May 11th. Our students will be walking to the park where they will be eating lunch and enjoying some fun games. Permission slips went home last week so please return them if you have not already done so. We want to thank our Parent Team for organizing this event and the many great events they organized this year.
- We have summer youth sports camp registrations available in the office for anyone who might be interested in attending this summer. These camps are sponsored by our local varsity sports coaches and are available for most ages. Please let us know if you would like a registration form and what sport you are interested in.
- Our last order for Raise Right will be submitted on May 15. Since we will not be placing orders again until August, please keep in mind all the ways you can use gift cards during the summer months. Please see attached flier for more information.
- Our next For the Love of Pete drawing will take place today. 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: Adreina S. (K), Dash C. (2), and Karlie W. (1)
- Please check the school website at [www.stpeterupper.com](http://www.stpeterupper.com) for latest updates, schedules, or changes.

**Quote of the Week:** “An effort made for the happiness of others lifts above ourselves.” ~ Lydia Child