

Greetings St. Peter School families and welcome to the second half of quarter number one. We hope everyone was able to log into Gradelink and see your child(ren)'s progress at the midterm mark. Paper copies of the midterm report will be sent home today. If you were unable to do so or if you have questions or concerns about your child(ren)'s grades, please do not hesitate to contact us. This week marks our annual Scholastic Book Fair and we are excited to have the fair in person again this year. Students can browse and purchase books on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during the school day as well as Thursday evening from 5:00-7:00. We are also getting closer to our annual Boo gram sale where students can purchase their friends a nice Halloween treat to show their appreciation for their friendship. More information about this will be sent home soon. On Thursday, our students will get a chance to help our high school football team celebrate Homecoming with a mini pep rally in the gym at 8:15. Finally, our Fall picture day will be tomorrow so please have your child dressed in their Sunday best even if they aren't purchasing pictures. These are just a few of the many awesome things we have planned for the month of October and we hope you partake in the excitement as well.

In Case You Missed It...

- Please remember to send an **excuse note to school upon your child's return after an absence**. Also, please remember that our school policy states that if a student is absent or sent home with an illness, they must be symptom-free for a minimum of 24 hours before returning to school. Thank you for your cooperation and for helping us keep our kids safe and healthy.
- Our next liturgy service will be Wednesday at 8:20 with 1st grade leading. We ask that students please review the dress code policy for church services. Family members 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. Also, at this week's Mass, Father Conrad will be blessing animals and pets and students are welcome to bring a picture of their pet or animal to be blessed at the service.
- Our annual St. Peter School discount card fundraiser has been postponed until late Fall in order to relieve some of the fundraising burden placed on our wonderful community businesses and organizations. More details about the discount card program will be coming soon so please stay tuned.
- Our fall picture day will be **Tuesday, October 4th**. Order forms were sent home and are available on our website if needed. Even if you are not buying school pictures, your child's picture will be taken for the school yearbook so please wear your Sunday best.
- Reminder that students will be permitted to wear shorts to school until the end of the first quarter which concludes on October 28th. Please refer to this policy in the family handbook posted on our website.
- Due to high demand and problems with inventory, we will only be selling ice cream on Fridays during lunch. We can still accommodate whole class birthday treats as long as we are notified in advance to ensure we have enough available. We apologize to the students as this has been devastating news to them.

Just Thought You Should Know...

- Our annual wreath sale will be starting soon. Order forms and information will be sent home tomorrow so please be looking for it. This fundraiser is a great opportunity for you to help the school and get some pretty awesome Christmas decorations in return. Thank you John and Emily Beckley and Drew and Tricia Rall for organizing this fundraiser.
- Our Scholastic Book Fair starts today and runs until October 7th. We encourage you to check out all of the great selections it has and remember that every item purchased provides our school with some money that we can use to purchase future book fair items. Please refer to the top of the newsletter for sale days and times. We would like to thank Mrs. Jana Dlubak for serving as the chairperson for our book fair.
- The first student council meeting of the year will take place tomorrow after school.
- Tickets for next month's For the Love of Pete drawing can be purchased at the school or church office and online. The ticket price is \$100 and one ticket gets you entered into each monthly drawing for cash. The next monthly drawing will take place today.
- Our Accelerated Reading program is in full swing so we encourage all of our families to challenge your kids to become avid readers. Read books, take quizzes, score points, win prizes. Books and quizzes can be accessed through the myON or the AR program website. If you have any questions about the AR program, please let us know.
- The next Raise Right orders (formerly Scrip) will be due on October 24. Order forms will be sent home on the 17th.
- Happy Birthday this week to: Trenten A. (3) and Reagan V. (5)
- Please check the school website at www.stpeterupper.com for latest updates, schedules, or changes.

Quote of the Week: "Today's accomplishments were yesterday's impossibilities." – Robert H. Schuller