

It's the last half of quarter number one and we have a lot of information to share with you. First, our Fall picture day was a success and we expect pictures back in about 3-4 weeks. If you aren't satisfied with your child(ren)'s pictures or if they happened to be absent that day, we will have retake day on November 1st. Next, CYO basketball registration forms will be going home this week for any 3-6 grade student interested in participating this year. Students enrolled at St. Peter School or students who are members of the Transfiguration of the Lord Parish are eligible to participate in CYO basketball. If you know anyone who might be interested, please let us know and we can provide them with information. Finally, our annual Boo Gram order forms will be going home next week. Boo Grams are a fun way for our students to show their friends how much they care about them by purchasing a candy bar or trinket to share with them. If you have any questions about any of these items, please let us know and we will be happy to assist you. As always, thanks for your continued support and God bless.

### **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 the 6th 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.
- 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.
- Fall picture retakes will take place on **Tuesday, November 1st** for anyone who missed original picture day or are unhappy with their pictures. Order forms are available on the school website or the school office.
- 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.
- 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.

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

- Our annual Holiday wreath sale has begun. Order forms were sent home last week with each family but if you need additional forms, please contact the office. This fundraiser is a great opportunity for you to help the school and get some pretty awesome Christmas decorations in return. We want to thank Drew and Tricia Rall as well as John and Emily Beckley for running our wreath sale fundraiser again this year. If you have any questions, please let us know.

- 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.
- CYO basketball registration forms are going home this week for any 3-6 grade student interested in participating this year. Students enrolled at St. Peter School or students who are members of the Transfiguration of the Lord Parish are eligible to participate in CYO basketball. If you know anyone who might be interested, please let us know and we can provide them with information. All players must complete a physical prior to participating. Physical forms will be sent home once we receive your registration.
- Believe it or not but Parent/Teacher conferences will be here soon. This year, we will be conducting two evening conference sessions (Monday, October 31st and Tuesday, November 1st). Please complete and return the attached sign-up sheet so we can begin to get families scheduled. Please know that we will do our best to accommodate our families but conference times are on a first come first serve basis. Please contact the office if you have any questions.
- Our annual St. Peter School Christmas program is quickly approaching. In order to avoid a late night for our kids, we once again will be having the program over two nights. Our PK-2 program will take place on **Tuesday, December 13th at 6:00** and our 3-6 program will take place on **Wednesday, December 14th at 6:00**. More information will be shared as we get closer to the dates of the program.
- St. Peter School will once again be sponsoring a display in the Winter Fantasy of Lights this year. As a recent grant recipient, we believe it is important to show our gratitude by sponsoring a recently orphaned display. Our new display will need to be set-up so we are looking for a group of volunteers to help with this. Once a date and time have been set, we will let you know. Thanks in advance for your willingness to help.
- Our Scholastic Book Fair has ended for the fall and we are excited with the turnout and amount of money raised. Our school receives a portion of the total sales that we can use to purchase classroom materials and supplies. Our online fair is still available until October 16th so please visit our school's book fair website at <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stpeterschool4>. Some families still have eWallet funds that you can use at the online fair so we encourage you to do so. Thanks to everyone who purchased books or other items and a special thank you to Mrs. Jana Dlubak and Mrs. Stephanie Logsdon for helping to set-up, run, and tear down the fair this year.
- The next Raise Right orders (formerly Scrip) will be due on October 24. Order forms will be sent home on the 17th.
- The St. Peter School Parent Team will be hosting a Fall Harvest Party on Sunday, October 30th in the school gymnasium following the 10:30 Mass service. Families are welcome to come and enjoy the festivities.
- We are looking for donations and volunteers for our school's Harvest party as well. We need the following items: gummy worms, shaving cream, candy, sprinkles, face paint, acrylic paint, old brooms, and old basketballs. Our Harvest Party will be October 28th at school so we are looking forward to having some fun with our kiddos. Please let us know if you can help in any capacity. Thanks in advance for your willingness to help.
- Congratulations to our October For the Love of Pete winners. \$500 winner was Keith Koehler, \$250 winner was Ginny Gottfried, and the \$150 winner was Donald Frisch. Our next drawing will

take place on November 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.

- The CLC and the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a purse bingo event on Friday, October 28th at 7:00 at the K of C Hall. All proceeds from this event will go to St. Peter School and OLC School in Carey. Please see the attached flier for more details.
- Happy Birthday this week to: Logan K. (K) and Will L. (6)
- Please check the school website at [www.stpeterupper.com](http://www.stpeterupper.com) for latest updates, schedules, or changes.

**Quote of the Week:** “The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees opportunity in every difficulty.” – Winston Churchill