

Welcome to the final week of the first quarter. This week also marks our parent/teacher conferences which we believe is a crucial part of our ongoing collaboration with families about how we can best serve your child(ren). Grade cards will be handed out during conferences. We understand that “grade card season” can be an exciting time but it can also bring some stress and anxiety with it as well. If you ever have any questions or concerns about your child(ren)’s grades, please do not hesitate to contact us here at school. We are fully committed to helping your child(ren) continue to grow academically, spiritually, and socially so please let us know how we can continue to provide support. While we want to ensure our families have sufficient time to speak with their child(ren)’s teacher(s), we do have time constraints in order to make sure we can meet with everyone during their scheduled conference times. If you require more time to speak with your child(ren)’s teacher(s), additional time can be scheduled at a later date. Thanks again for your continued support and we are so grateful and blessed to have you as a part of our St. Peter School family. God Bless.

In Case You Missed It...

- Our next liturgy service will be Wednesday at 8:20 with the 4th 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. Please note that next week’s liturgy will take place on **Tuesday, November 1st** which is All Saints Day. Our 3rd grade students will be leading this service and portraying their selected saints. There will be NO school Mass on Wednesday, November 2nd.
- We are still 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, and old brooms. Our Harvest Party will be October 28th at 12:00 and 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.
- 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 in helping us keep our students and staff healthy.
- 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.
- Please don’t forget to return your preferred P/T conference times so we can get you scheduled. If you need a new sign-up sheet, please let us know. Conferences are October 31st and November 1st from 3:00-7:00 and 3:00-6:00 respectively.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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. More information about this event can be found on our school website.
- 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 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.

Just Thought You Should Know...

- Our St. Peter School Student Council will be hosting an inaugural Veterans Day Dinner on Friday, November 11th at 6:00 PM in the school gymnasium in order to show our appreciation and gratitude for their dedicated service and sacrifice to our country. All veterans and a guest are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Mr. England at bengland@stpeterupper.com by **Monday, November 7th** if you wish to attend.
- Our annual Holiday wreath sale orders are due today. This is a firm deadline to ensure delivery before the holidays. We want to thank Drew and Tricia Rall as well as John and Emily Beckley for running our wreath sale fundraiser this year. If you have any questions, please let us know.
- Boo Grams orders are due today. Each Boo Gram is \$1 and all proceeds from this go into the student council fund to be used for future school events. The Student Council will have the Boo Store available on October 27th and 28th during school hours where students can trade in their Boo Grams for goodies. If you have any questions about our Boo Gram sales, please let us know.
- The CYO basketball registration deadline is tomorrow for any 3-6 grade student interested in playing this winter. 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.
- St. Peter School will once again be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive this year. The drive will take place from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Wednesday, November 23rd in the St. Peter School gymnasium. More information will be sent home soon.
- We are also collecting pop tabs to help raise money for the Ronald McDonald House at Nationwide Children's Hospital. Each class has a bucket that they hope to fill with pop tabs so if you have any pop tabs sitting around send them in. This fundraiser is in honor of the Bramel family and all proceeds will go to help other families who utilize the RMH during their stay at Nationwide Children's.
- Our annual Coats for Christmas drive is now underway. We are collecting any new or gently used coats to be donated to those in need this Christmas season. All donations can be dropped off in the large box located in the gymnasium lobby. Coats will be distributed on December 10th.

- St. Peter School is excited to welcome a visiting author to our school! The author's name is Michelle Houts and she will be stopping by on November 18th from 1:30 to 2:30. More information to follow.
- 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.
- The St. Peter School Parent Team Fall Harvest Party planned for Sunday, October 30th has been canceled.
- Our next For the Love of Pete raffle 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.
- Happy Birthday this week to: Dawson S. (1), Ava S. (1), Ambrose C. (1), Madeleine J. (1), Quinn M. (1), and Joshua C. (5)
- Please check the school website at www.stpeterupper.com for latest updates, schedules, or changes.

Quote of the Week: "Go as far as you can see; when you get there, you'll be able to see farther." ~ Thomas Carlyle