Anchored in the Catholic virtues of faith, hope, and love, St. Peter Martyr School nurtures a diverse community of students to become lifelong learners and effective communicators who use their God-given gifts to serve others.



ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL

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Wednesday Newsletter

Dear SPM Community,

Thank you for an incredible week of connection and engagement. Our "How to Raise a Reader" event with Marni Higgins was a great success, with many parents learning how to inspire their children and nurture a daily love of reading. We also extend our gratitude to the SPLASH team, including Ms. Davi and Ms. Alexis, for hosting a fantastic Hispanic Heritage event. The evening was filled with fun and crafts, celebrating the rich diversity of our community. A big thank you to all the parents and families who generously donated food and drinks; everything was delightful. We eagerly anticipate many more events this school year that will unite our community. Just a few reminders/notes for the upcoming weeks.

- **SPM Lunch Program:** As Ms. Grillo posted on Monday, the SPM lunch program is looking for parent input as we plan for the future. Please complete the survey by scanning the QR code below to help us inform our decision.
- Cherrydale Catalog and Online Fundraiser LAST CALL TO REGISTER: Running until
 October 6th, the Cherrydale fundraiser brings communities together and
 empowers kids to create positive change in the world. The engaging programs
 make fundraising fun! All parents should have received an email detailing how to
 participate, and we kindly ask you to follow the instructions to share the fantastic
 items Cherrydale offers. If you need catalogs and order forms, they are available in
 the office.
- Lifetouch Photo/Make-up Photos/ID Cards: School photos were sent home last
 week. If you would like your child to retake them, please return the photos, and we
 will add you to the list. Make-up Photo Day is on October 21st.

Be sure to check out the second page of the newsletter for upcoming community events. We hope to see you there!

- Mrs. Wilson

Lunch
Program
Survey:



Virtue Spotlight:



This week we will begin to work on the virtue of responsibility. Responsibility means fulfilling your obligations and accepting the consequences of your actions. Responsibility looks like taking the time to complete your homework every night. Do I leave my assignments to the last minute? Do I avoid my work because I would rather play games or watch shows?

Dear Jesus, help me today to practice the virtue of responsibility. You know it is difficult for me to sit down and complete an assignment when I would rather be playing. Yet I know that growing in the virtue of responsibility will help me to order my life and give it more completely to You. Please grant me the grace to make responsible choices about homework tonight. Amen.

Weekly Calendar Update:		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Lunch</u>
Wednesday, October 1	12pm Dismissal, SPM Spirit dress or Faith Family Color (THIS IS NOT A FREE DRESS DAY). Extended Care open after school from 12:00 - 5:30pm.	
Thursday, October 2	2:45pm Dismissal, Garden: 3, 8, 7; After School: Opera Practice 3-4pm; STEM, Sports, Spanish (K-3) 3:-3:30pm	Cheese Quesadilla w/Chips
Friday, October 3	2:45pm Dismissal, PE Day, After School: Library Club, SPLASH 3-3:30pm;	Straw Hat Pizza, \$3.50 a slice
Monday, October 6	2:45pm Dismissal; After School: Homework Club (K-8)	Chicken Alfredo w/Garlic Bread
Tuesday, October 7	2:45pm Dismissal; After School: Yearbook Club (5-8), Choir (K-4) 3-3:30pm	French Toast, Sausage, Fruit
Wednesday, October 8	12pm Dismissal, SPM Spirit dress or Faith Family Color (THIS IS NOT A FREE DRESS DAY). Extended Care open after school from 12:00 - 5:30pm.	
Thursday, October 9	2:45pm Dismissal, Garden: PS/PK. 1, 5, 6; After School: Opera Practice 3-4pm; STEM, Sports, Spanish (K-3) 3:-3:30pm	Chicken Fried Rice w/wontons
Friday, October 10	2:45pm Dismissal, PE Day, After School : Library Club, SPLASH 3-3:30pm	Straw Hat Pizza, \$3.50 a slice

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call Last Fundraising. All orders should be arriving for distribution in engaging who have sent out the link to have fun! their families.

Cherrydale Cherrydale fundraisers bring communities together and in by Oct 6th. We will be sending empower kids to make positive in the order. Orders will be change in the world. Plus, the programs November. Thank you to those fundraising participants always

- 10/13 ~ No School
- 10/15-10/17 ~ Parent Teacher Conference and Minimum Days Parents should sign up using the links shared on ClassDojo
- 10/24 ~ SPM Annual Trunk or Treat, 4pm-6pm SPM Playground, see Flyer included in Wednesday Envelope
- 10/25 ~ City of Pittsburg Halloween Bash @ Small World Park
- 10/26 ~ St. Ignatius Parish Festival
- 10/31 ~ SPM Halloween Parade 8:30am; St. Ignatius Trunk or Treat 6-7:30pm, see enclosed flyer
- 11/7 ~ LCA Professional Development; No School
- 11/12 ~ SF Opera Presents "The Barber of Seville" 10:30am
- 11/15 ~ SPM Holiday Boutique more information to come, contact Ms. Davi, jdavi@csdo.org, with questions
- 11/21 ~ Minimum Day
- 11/24-11/30 ~ Thanksgiving Break

Counselor Corner



WHAT IS A SCHOOL COUNSELOR?

MY OFFICE IS A SAFE AND WELCOMING PLACE WHERE THE STUDENTS CAN SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS, ASK QUESTIONS, OR JUST TAKE A BREAK WHEN THEY NEED ONE.

> REMEMBER, I AM HERE TO SUPPORT YOU, ENCOURAGE YOU, AND HELP YOU SHINE!

> PARENTS CAN EMAIL ME ANYTIME: MINDFULWELLNESSTAYLOR@GMAIL.COM

Reading @ SPM



Scholastic Reading Club Book Order

Scholastic Books is one great way to get your students books they will love. Classes may get monthly flyers or you can shop online. You may turn in orders to the office, attention Mrs. Wilson, or place the order online. Please send in your order form with payment to Scholastic Book Clubs or order online https://orders.scholastic.com/HNNKT. The CLASS CODE is HNNKT. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Wilson, kwilson@csdo.org with a \$25 order, you can pick a FREE \$5 Book (use code: READS). Please share the School's Page link to extended family and friends. All orders also earn FREE Books for our school. Help us teach our students to love reading. Thank you for your support!

Faith Formation

Sacrament Preparation Baptism, Reconciliation & Communion:

In addition to offering preparation to our second grade students for the reception of First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, we also extend an invitation to all students who would like to receive the sacraments, including Baptism. If you are interested in signing up for the sacramental preparation please contact Emma Ojeda, eojeda@csdo.org.

Virtue of the Month

Responsibility

Also known as: Duty

Definition of Responsibilityt:

Fulfilling one's just duties; accepting the consequences of one's words and actions, intentional and unintentional

Respect Looks Like:

- Keeping your room learning area clean
- Feeding your pet
- Taking out the garbage
- Bringing your folder to school each day
- Taking your homework home

Respect Sounds Like:

- I fed the dog.
- I took out the garbage.
- I remembered to bring my folder to school.
- I brought my homework home.