

PETER'S PAGE

March 30, 2017

DATES AT A GLANCE.....

The Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. Every Friday in Lent. In the Hall. 5:00pm-7:00pm

March Minimum Days- March 31

Thurs. March 30- Join us at 8:30am Mass –special recognition to our Knights of Columbus

Fri. March 31 -Early Bird Yearbook Order due

Fri. April 7- Minimum Day/Stations of the Cross 11:15/SPRING PICTURE DAY

Wed. April 12- Preschool and Aftercare close at 2:30pm

April Minimum Day- April 7/April 12

April No School Days- April 13-21

May 1- deadline for current families to apply for St. Peter tuition assistance

Lenten Rice Bowls-CRS Weekly Rice Bowl Challenge - *Put in a dime for every car you have.*

Friday, April 7-Spring Picture Day—students choosing to have pictures taken may wear Free Dress. Bring your order form on Picture Day.

How are you doing with your raffle tickets???? For this event, we are asking each family—**Preschool through Grade 8--** to do your best to buy/sell 20 \$10 raffle tickets. For the raffle, you get to pick your Prize! There will be 7 winners! The winner need not be present. The reason that we are promoting this early is in the hope to recoup a little of the anticipated fundraising deficit for this year. Currently we are running about \$8,000 behind schedule. If you cannot attend or choose to not participate, there is a \$120 Non-Participation Fee for this event.

Why is there a Non-Participation Fee?

Each year, we plan fundraising events to help generate enough money to make ends meet. The total fundraising goal has not changed in several years. It is \$100,000. When we did not have a non-participation fee, the end result was always the same—20% of the school families doing 80% of the work, benefiting 100% of the school community. We had to make a change to encourage the 80% to do more. Unfortunately, the only thing that makes a difference is a financial penalty.

On the positive side, with more people generating more fundraising dollars, we are able to get more things that we were not able to in the past. Through your involvement and fundraising dollars, grade 5 have new desks; grades K-1-2 have a set of iPads for group work; grades 2-3-4-5 have Kindles or Kindle Fires; grades 6-7-8 have Chromebooks; Teacher Laptops; World/US/Biblical Maps in the classrooms; class sets of Bibles; and the list goes on. We are thankful for all of these things, and very grateful to you for your support.

Get on the Bus is a nonprofit organization that arranges for children of incarcerated parents to go visit them in jail once or twice a year (Mothers' Day/Fathers' Day). As one of our Service Projects, is to make fun backpacks for the LONG bus ride. It is important to explain to our children that this is a way we are living out the Corporal Work of Mercy (visit the imprisoned) and although these parents may have made poor choices, these children have done nothing wrong. Please do what you can to donate to the backpacks. Due to Miss Jones by April 7.

- Preschool & Kindergarten- Snack Packs
- 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Grade- Juice Boxes
- 4th & 5th Grade- Coloring Books
- 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade- Small toys and simple games

Summer Program-We will have a Summer Program again this year. The information and registration form is being sent home today and also available on the website.

NEW for next school year-Parent volunteers will no longer be required to use Live Scan. All NEW parent volunteers will need to use the new Diocesan safe environment screening process through Catholic Mutual—CMG Connect. The cost is \$20. If you have already been Live Scanned here—you do NOT have to do CMG Connect. More info to follow.

Yearbook Reminders-\$25 Early Bird Yearbook/\$30 after April 1- **All yearbook orders are due by April 3.**

Registration for next year—Don't forget to turn in your Registration packet. July 1 sounds far away, but it will be here before you know it and then you might misplace your registration packet by then.

Some Registration questions that have been asked:

--Who has to pay the \$25 Diocesan Service Fee?—all students—Preschool through Grade 8.

--Can I change my tuition rate to the Stewardship Rate?—YES! See Mrs. McCotter for details.

--Who has to pay the \$75 Sacrament Fee?—only students receiving the Sacraments that school year.

--Do I have to pay the full Registration fee when submitting the packet?—You can either pay the full Registration fee of \$200 per child or have it added to your tuition payment.

PLEASE Label Your Uniform Items There are many new hoodies, sweaters and sweatshirts on the "NO NAME " table in the office.

Catholic Schools Night with the Padres--Friday May 19 at 7:10pm—see flyer for details. Order your tickets individually. We are not doing a group order this year.

Call the office if you know someone who works at:

- Wells Fargo
- Qualcomm
- Sony
- Datron

Professional Development--We had an amazing day of Professional Development last Friday. The day was filled with valuable information on STEM, Next Generation Science Standards, Blended Learning, and Digital Portfolios!

SVDP Thrift Store--The Thrift Store needs HELP! Any day, any number of hours! St. Vincent de Paul helps us in so many ways! We need to give back! It is a great place to meet and greet new people and the work is gratifying! Call 760-505-6946 for more info.

Tuition Assistance for Next Year--The deadline for current families to apply for St. Peter assistance is **May 1**.

Do You Eat Every Day????--Where do you buy your groceries? Major Market? Northgate? Albertson's? We have Scrip for that! Did you know that most of the grocery store Scrip gives our school 3%-5% on EVERY PURCHASE! Do you eat out? At Trupiano's? ...Z Café? ...Peking Wok? ...they are very generous with giving usually 10% - 20% back to the school! Need more information? –call or stop by the School Office!

Please do not order lunch on these days, unless otherwise specified by the teacher

Field Trips	Grade	Date	Destination	Grade	Date	Destination
	4	April 5	USS Midway	K	June 5	Berry Picking
	K	April 10	Flower Fields	8	June 6	Retreat
	3 / 4	May 10	Birch Aquarium			

Theme	April 28	May 19	June 9
Dress Days	Hawaiian	College Day	Field Day

These are the REMAINING EXPECTED PARTICIPATION EVENTS for 2016-2017 for all families-Preschool through Grade 8

Purchase a ticket to the event or make a donation equal to the price of admission for all of these events:

- March 31-Jogathon-\$100 in pledges per family—NON PARTICIPATION: \$100
- May 20-Taste of the USA—buy/sell 20 raffle tickets-NON PARTICIPATION: \$120

If you cannot attend or choose to not participate, you will be billed a Non-Participation Fee equal to the price of a ticket plus the requested basket, appetizer, or dessert for each event. **We also ask that ALL families purchase ANY amount of Scrip/eScrip/ScripNow/Reloadable cards EACH month. There is a \$35 penalty per month for not participating.**

“Do not be afraid of Confession! When one is in line to go to Confession, one feels all these things, even shame, but then when one finishes Confession one leaves free, grand, beautiful, forgiven, candid, happy. This is the beauty of Confession!” (Pope Francis)

Lent is a penitential season. Take advantage of Confession frequently. If there is an opportunity to feel free, grand, beautiful, forgiven, candid, and happy during Lent, who wouldn't take it?

Count Your Blessings! Always