

**ST. PETER IN CHAINS**  
**THE LINK**  
**11/30/2023**



**Mission Statement:**

*The mission of St. Peter in Chains School is to cultivate in our students an intellectual curiosity, civic consciousness, commitment to Catholic social teachings, and preparedness to meet the challenges of the future. In the mold of St. Peter, we seek to form students as Christian leaders, enthusiastic in their response to the Gospel message of Jesus Christ and able to put into practice this message as it applies to life in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.*

**Important Dates:**

- 11/30/23 – Last day to wear shorts to school (uniform or out of uniform) until March. See email sent out today with details.
- 11/30/23 – Report cards are being released after 4PM. See the OptionC email sent this morning with details on how to view, print and save.
- 12/01/23 – **Spirit Wear Friday**. Students can wear **St. Peter's School** tops with IN uniform bottoms
- 12/01/23 – EPIC Pizza Friday – for those who purchased (no buying the day of)
- 12/04/23 -- **Mission Monday** – Students should wear their green Mission Monday t-shirts with their uniform bottoms
- 12/05/23 – Student Council – 2:15-3:15 PM
- 12/06/23 – Rosary Club – 2:15-3:30 PM
- 12/07/23 – Chess Club – 2:30-3:30 PM
- 12/12/23 – Youth Group – 2:15-3:30 PM
- 12/13-12/14/23 – Santa Shop – details are coming home with your child today
- 12/19/23 – Christmas Program rehearsal off site – *permission slips will be sent home on 12/7*
- 12/19/23 – Christmas Program – 12PM dress rehearsal program & 7:00 PM evening. **Tickets ARE required for the evening performance.** See pg. 2 with details.

**Looking Ahead:**

- 1/20/24 – Father-Daughter Dance – more details to come
- 3/23/24 – Night at the Races – more details to come



**Mass Schedule for November/December:**

FRIDAY, December 8 – Grade 6 leads  
Tuesday, December 12 – Grade 5 leads  
Tuesday, December 19 – Grade 4 leads

***\*Everyone is welcome to join us at Mass. Please sit behind all the classes toward the back. \****

**PickUp Patrol:**

Thank you for using PickUp Patrol for **ALL** absences, late arrivals, early dismissals and changes in dismissal. Everyone says it is super easy to use and it is awesome for our faculty and staff. If you have not signed up already, please do. Welcome Letters were sent to everyone with details on how to register. Please check your junk bin if you cannot find it. *You can also load the app to your phone for ease on the go!* If you need another registration email, send an email to the office. Please be sure you are using this for the situations listed above. **THE APP is available for download and SUPER easy and fast to use on your phone. Load it today! It is not found in the APP store. Just Google it.**

**REGISTRATION – 2024-2025 School Year – CURRENT families only**

If you have not already done so, please register for next school year ASAP to secure your spot for next school year. *Please be sure you have completed all steps – 1. Re-enrolled all students on OptionC (see email that was sent out on 11/1/23) 2. Paid the registration fee on Cheddar Up.*

The registration fees are \$75 for one child or \$150 for two or more. Must be paid on Cheddar Up.

[Current Family Registration Payment Link](#)

***All paperwork, fees, updated immunization paperwork and custody papers MUST be turned in to make it a complete registration submission.***

In the case of divorce or custody issues, *all families* must submit *current custody* paperwork (even if you are a current family).



On Tuesday, December 19, 2023, all students from grades K-8 will participate in our mandatory Christmas performance beginning at 7 p.m. in Parrish Auditorium at Miami University - Hamilton.

We will have an all school field trip during the day on Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, going by bus, to an off-site venue for practice, lunch, and a dress rehearsal at noon. All students are required to ride the bus to AND from the venue. That day, **all students and teachers will need to pack a lunch and a water bottle to consume while at the venue.** **Permission slips for the rehearsal/field trip day will go home on Thursday, December 7 and are due back to the office by December 14<sup>th</sup>.**

Every school FAMILY will receive THREE tickets for admission to the evening performance that will be sent home with the youngest in the family on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. **\*\*Should you not require all of the tickets, please turn them back in to the office. The office will have a wait list/sign-up sheet for extra tickets, which will be disbursed on a first come-first served basis.** Please be aware there is no guarantee that those on the wait list for extra tickets will receive extra tickets. We will not begin placing names on the wait list until 4PM on December 14. You may ask to be placed on the wait list by emailing [schooloffice@stpeterinchains.org](mailto:schooloffice@stpeterinchains.org)

Because of the limited seating for the evening performance, the dress rehearsal at noon will be open to family members who are unable to attend the evening performance **ONLY**. If you are attending the evening performance, **PLEASE** do not come to the dress rehearsal.

The doors to the evening venue will open at 6:00 PM. No one will be permitted to enter until your ticket is taken by a SPS staff member beginning at 6:00 PM. Every seat is a good seat and has a good view of the stage, so please do not stress to get their super early.

All staff and students will need to report to Parrish Auditorium at 6:30 PM in their designated classroom on the night of the performance. Students should wear nice holiday clothing. Girls – dresses, skirts or slacks; Boys – slacks, dress or polo shirts. Ties/Suits are optional. (Please, no t-shirts, jeans, heels, or sneakers.)

We are truly looking forward to celebrating our Christmas program with you and can't wait for your student to be a part of this!

Mrs. Brown

### **Santa Shop – December 13 & 14th**



It's Santa Shop Time! Santa shop will be open for business December 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. Every student will have the opportunity to shop for family, friends, and even pets! Please see the Santa flyer being sent home today with details of shopping times. All items are \$2.00.

The Santa Shop is one of the most anticipated events of the school year for your kids – but we need VOLUNTEERS to make it all come together. We hope that you will share your time with us to bring it to life! *The SignUp Genius will be emailed out when it is available.*

*\*Note: Anyone who intends to volunteer must be certified with Safe Parish, have a positive background check on file (cost is \$25 through [Selection.com](http://Selection.com)), and be up to date with training sessions before the event.*

### **Colder Days**

Colder days are upon us! Please be sure your child comes to school with the proper coats, hats, gloves, etc. to keep warm on outdoor recess. We will make every attempt to take the students out each day to get some fresh air, even if it is only for 10 minutes. Girls are permitted to wear cotton leggings (blue, black, white) under their skirt/jumper during the school day (to the ankle and no athletic type). They can also wear pajama pants to school, remove after arriving and then put them on for recess time.

TODAY (11/30) is the last day for wearing shorts to school (uniform & out of uniform). Please see the email sent today with the details on what uniform pants are permitted to be worn (it is also in the handbook online).

### **St. Vincent DePaul Food Drive – THANK YOU!**

Thank you, St. Peter's students and parents, for your generous Food donations to our St. Vincent de Paul food closet. Thank you especially for thinking of and praying for those in need within our parish area. Your donations enable us to provide immediate assistance to families with food emergencies. You are providing our neighbors with hope in their time of need, and you are bringing God's blessings and aid to "the least of our brothers."

Thank you for all you do for our St. Vincent de Paul Group.

Respectfully,

Jack Hart

St. Vincent de Paul Society members at St. Peter in Chains Parish.

### **Dress Code:**

As we get into the cooler months, please remember that only approved UNIFORM items can be worn *during the school day*. Here is the link to the listing of approved uniform items [Shaheen's Uniform Store](#) or [Schoolbelles](#). Please be sure your child is dressed in approved uniform items. If they are cold in class, please see the fleece, sweatshirts, and performance jackets, etc. that are approved to be worn IN the school building. M-TH – these are the items students can wear and the colors of those items that can be worn.

Other jackets, sweatshirts, etc. (Nike, Addidas, Badin sweatshirts, hoodies, ANY non-uniform sweatshirts, etc., etc.) are not to be worn during class and should be removed after a student enters the school building from outside.

St. Peter in Chains School spirit wear is only to be worn on Fridays and should not be worn during the school day M-Th. They can be worn TO school but taken off when they get to the classroom.

Mondays – students should wear their Mission Monday t-shirts with IN uniform bottoms. Green school polos can be worn with the current school logo. 8<sup>th</sup> grade t-shirts should NOT be worn. 8<sup>th</sup> grade sweatshirts may be worn.

*Please be sure you have reviewed the dress code in the handbook with your children so they are aware of what they cannot wear to school (jewelry, makeup, shoes, etc.). The handbook was signed off on by parents & students at the start of the school year. **Violations will result in a conduct point.***

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

**Box Tops/ Caseys/ Kroger Rewards:**

With rewards programs including [Box Tops for Education](#), [Tyson](#), and [Kroger Community Rewards](#), you can earn money for our school while shopping for your family. Click the link to find more information about signing up! If you have questions, please reach out to Aimee Hodapp at [aimeehodapp@yahoo.com](mailto:aimeehodapp@yahoo.com)  
**Rewards Programs Link**

**Spirit Wear Items:**

Be sure to get all your St. Peter's merch at Promotions, Etc. The link to our site is <https://promotionsetc.commonsku.com/shop/6035b2b8-f3ac-420f-a14d-57e9bb0d1426/shop>  
Spirit Wear tops can be worn on most Fridays with IN uniform bottoms.  
Questions, please contact the office.

**White Envelope Items**

***Please remember that ALL white folders (Grades K-5) MUST be returned to school on Fridays, emptied and signed by a parent***

**Items sent home today:**

- Santa Shop information and lists were sent with the youngest/only in the family