# ST. PETER IN CHAINS THE LINK 2/23/2023



#### 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 21st century.

#### **Important Dates:**

- 2/24/23 Spirit Wear Friday students can wear their St. Peter's School shirts with IN uniform bottoms.
- 2/24/23 EPIC Friday Pizza EPIC Friday Pizza (if pre-ordered and paid. No option to buy the day of). List is attached of those who purchased.
- 2/24/23 Stations of the Cross 1:40 PM
- 2/24/23 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester Ends
- 3/3/23 Stations of the Cross 1:40 PM
- 3/4/23 Father-Daughter Dance (see pg.2)
- 3/7/23 Report Cards will be released
- 3/13-3/17/23 CogAT Testing (Cognitive Abilities Test) Grades 2, 5, 7
- 3/17/23 Screening Day for INCOMING Kindergarteners <u>Current Kindergarteners NO SCHOOL</u>
- 3/18/23 Mom Prom (see below)
- 3/20/23 NO SCHOOL
- 3/21-3/27/23 IOWA Testing Grades 1-7
- 3/28-3/31/23 IOWA Testing Make Up Grades 1-7
- 4/23/23 Confirmation at Cathedral in downtown Cincinnati 2:00 PM



#### School Mass Schedule:

Tuesday, February 28 – Grade 3 leads Tuesday, March 7 – Grade 2 leads Tuesday, March 14 – Grade 8 leads Tuesday, March 21 – Grade 7 leads Tuesday, March 28 – Grade 6 leads

## Mom Prom - Saturday, March 18 - 7-10 PM

**Saturday, March 18, 2023** in Wiegand Hall, from 7pm – 10pm. Paper invitations went home last week with each boy in the school. **RSVP and payment are due by March 3**. Cash or checks made out to St. Peter in Chains EPIC.

If you are interested in decorating, please contact Kara Beckman at 513-709-9394. If anyone is interested in chaperoning the night of the dance, they must be Safe Parish approved and have a positive background check on file (no exceptions). Please contact the office. Don't stress on a theme, technically there isn't one, just good fun and dancing. The event is casual dress. Mr. Brian Wooten will be in the house as the DJ, there will be snacks and refreshments, dance battles, Limbo, door prizes and much more!



### Father-Daughter Dance - March 4, 2023 - 7-10 PM

What: Father Daughter Dance "Royal Reception" When: Saturday, March 4, 2023 from 7 pm-10 pm

Where: Wiegand Hall

Cost: \$25 cash or check per family (checks made out to St.

Peter in Chains EPIC)

Invitations went home today. Please return the RSVP slip to school with payment BY 2/24/2023.

Please send in a sweet treat donated for the dance on 3/3/2023. If you are interested in helping decorate for the dance, please contact Dana Wilson (513-805-1744) or Rachel Nichting (513-312-3458).

Anyone wanting to help chaperone <u>must</u> be certified with Safe Parish and have a positive background check on file. No exceptions. If you need information on how to do so, please contact the school office.



## CogAT and IOWA Testing:

<u>MARCH 13-17, 2023</u>: Students in Grades 2, 5 & 7 will participate in CogAT Testing (cognitive abilities testing), which is a series of assessments that estimate a students' learned reasoning and problem solving abilities through a battery of verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal test items.

MARCH 21-27, 2023: ALL students in Grades 1-7 will participate in IOWA Testing, a series of standardized assessments being administered throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Students will be tested for 1-2 hours each morning over the course of a week. *Makeups will be March 28-31*.

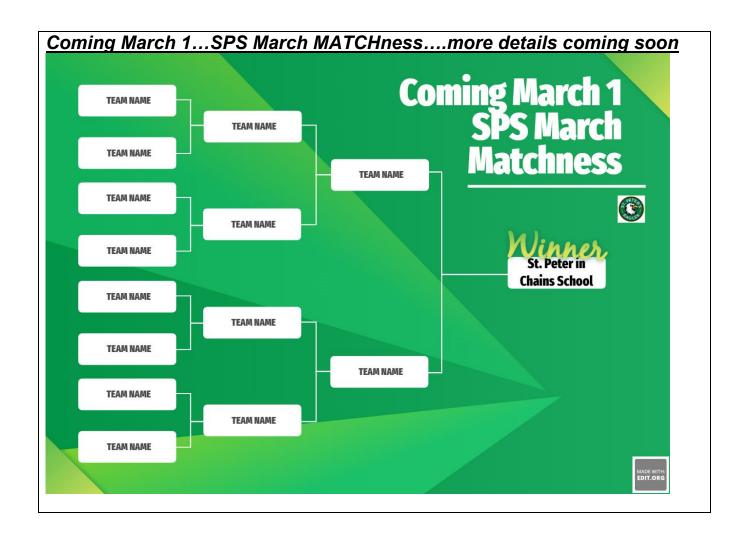
\*\*It is important that all students are present during testing and that appointments are scheduled outside the testing window. Unless it is an emergency, please make an effort to be on time and ready for testing each day.

It is critical to create a test taking environment that's relaxed to allow students to perform their best. IOWA tests will be given at the same time so that the building remains quiet and void of distractions. Teachers will plan stretch breaks and will assign minimal homework.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dr. Anderson or your child's homeroom teacher. Your child's homeroom teacher may have already communicated testing information to parents.

#### TIPS TO HELP PREPARE YOUR CHILD FOR A SUCCESSFUL WEEK OF IOWA TESTING:

- Go to bed early each night and get plenty of rest. Turn off games, computers, TV, and cell phones –
  and sleep!
- Eat a healthy breakfast. Even a not so healthy breakfast is better than no breakfast
- Bring a healthy snack for mid-morning
- Be present at school <u>each day and arrive to school on time</u>. Students who arrive late will not be permitted to enter classrooms until there is a break in testing. Tardy students will be required to make up tests at another time which will take them away from regular class time.
- Finally, encourage your children to say a prayer, relax, and do their best. The rest will fall into place.
- As always, thank you in advance for your support at home.



## Brought to you by Student Council and starting on March 1.

Open until 7:25 AM so be sure to get dropped off early so you can grab your snack as you walk in the door and get to homeroom before the 7:30 AM bell.



A breakfast bar brought to you by SPS
Student Council!

-Open on Wednesday mornings in the gym
from 7:05-7:25 a.m. starting on 3/1.

-All items are \$1 and can be eaten during
homeroom and snack time.



#### Fall 2023 Tackle Football:

If your child is interested in playing tackle football (Sabercats or Jr. Rams) in the fall of 2023, please click <a href="HERE">HERE</a> for information. <a href="Registration opens on March 1.">Registration opens on March 1.</a>

Please register BY MAY 15 to avoid late registration fees. This is for students in kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Also, if you would like to coach, please contact one of the coaches listed on the flyer.



#### Spirit Wear Items:

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

## Track through Sacred Heart:

Track and Field for girls and boys (grades K-8) **registration is open from thru 2/19/2022**. Go to <a href="www.sacredheartboosters.com">www.sacredheartboosters.com</a> to sign up. Julianne Knapp and I am the Sacred Heart School Track and Field Coordinator if you have any questions. Her email is <a href="mailto:juliannemknapp@gmail.com">juliannemknapp@gmail.com</a>

White Envelope Items
Please remember that all white folders (Grades K-5) should come back to school on Fridays emptied and signed by a parent

# **Items sent home today**:

Nothing sent from the school office

