

ST. PETER IN CHAINS
THE LINK
9/21/2023



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:

- 9/22/23 – **Spirit Wear Friday** – students can wear their **St. Peter's School** tops with IN uniform bottoms if they are not on the out of uniform listing
- 9/22/23 – Out of uniform **IF** your family turned in 10 addresses OR raised \$250 in donations/had a corporate sponsor by this past Friday (list of those who are out of uniform is attached)
- 9/22/23 – Friday Pizza – IF you pre-ordered and paid. List of buyers is attached to this email.
- 10/1/23 – Reconciliation Parent Meeting (2nd Grade) – 5:00 PM at St. Julies
- 10/2/23 – **MISSION MONDAY** – students can wear their new green Mission Critical t-shirts with IN uniform bottoms (if we get them Fri). ***The Mission Critical shirts and our green polo shirts w/current school logo are the only shirts that can be worn on Mondays. 8th Grade t-shirts cannot be worn on Mission Mondays.***
- 10/3/23 – Student Council Meeting – 2:15-3:15 PM (permission slips were given in class)
- 10/4/23 – Rosary Club – 2:15-3:30 – details and permission slip is on page 2
- 10/5/23 – Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:30-7 PM (details to come next Thursday)
- 10/6/23 – **NO School** – Parent/Teacher Conferences 8AM-12 PM (details to come next Thursday)
- 10/9/23 – **NO School**
- 10/9/23 – Dine to Donate at Texas Roadhouse – flyer will be sent soon
- 10/10/23 – Youth Group – 2:15-3:30 PM. – see page 2 for details and permission slips
- *10/12/23 – Chess Club – 2:30-3:30 PM (**NOTE the change from 10/5 due to conferences**)
- 10/13/23 – Walkathon, “Who Needs Luck When you Have Faith”



Mass Schedule for Aug/Sept:

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 – Grade 3 leads

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

Conferences:

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, October 5 from 2:15-7 PM AND Friday, October 6 from 8:00 AM -12PM. The conferences can be scheduled through the OptionC Parent Portal starting Sept. 21. [*Log into your OptionC parent account > User Resources > Parent/Teacher Conferences and then choose the date that works for your schedule.*](#) **Scheduling will remain open until Oct. 3.** Please be sure to sign up with the teachers you wish to conference with. If you have questions, please contact the office.

St. Peter in Chains BASKETBALL SIGN UPS:

If your child in grades 3-8 is interested in playing basketball this winter, please fill out the form below.

GIRLS registration forms are **DUE BY: SEPTEMBER 29, 2023**

BOYS registration forms are **DUE BY: OCTOBER 6, 2023**

Don't miss the deadline! Fill your form out today.

[St. Peter In Chains Basketball Registration 2023 - 2024](#)



PickUp Patrol:

Please see the attachment sent last week with *The Link* about our new system to track dismissals. The letter let you know about Pickup Patrol and the registration email went out this past Friday. Please check your junk bin if you cannot find it. If you need another registration email, send an email to the office. We began using Pickup Patrol this past Monday. ***You can log all absences, late arrivals, early dismissals and changes in your child's normal way home each day. Everything should be entered into the app. It's so easy!***

8th GRADERS - High School Placement Test:

Registration is now open for our current 8th graders to sign up to take the High School Placement Test. ***This test is required if your 8th grader is considering attending a Catholic high school next fall.*** Please visit the link to sign up. **[High School Placement Test Registration Link](#)**

SPS Student Council is coming soon!



SPS Student Council is an after-school club giving our 7th and 8th grade Eagles a chance to be leaders in our school. Last year, they planned many fun activities for our students throughout the year. Their biggest project was running the fan-favorite St. Pete's Eats, a breakfast bar once a week. Over the next two weeks, the staff and student body will elect a president and vice president. The first Student Council meeting of the year will take place on Tuesday, October 3 from 2:15-3:15 pm. The rest of the meetings will take place on the first Tuesday of the month. Permission slips will be coming home soon.

Rosary Club:

Open to students in K-8. Meets the first Wednesday of the month 2:15-3:30

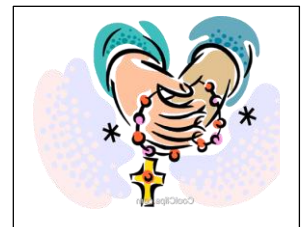
- Enjoy quality time with friends in a fun, Christ-centered environment
- Make rosaries for family, friends and to donate to Catholic missions
- Learn more about the rosary, the saints and our Catholic faith

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[PERMISSION SLIP](#)

Please click the following link for the suggested donation of \$5 for snacks and crafts. **[Rosary Club Donation](#)**

Questions, please contact Miss Jacobs at **jacobsj@stpeterinchains.org**



After-School Youth Group:



Open to grades 5-8. Meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month, 2:15-3:30 PM.

ENJOY FAITH, FUN, FRIENDS AND FOOD!!

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Please click the following link for the suggested donation of \$20 for snacks and crafts. **[Youth Group Donation Link](#)**

Questions, please contact Miss Jacobs at **jacobsj@stpeterinchains.org**

Lego Club:



Open to young architects and engineers in K-8

Join in the fun at our once-a-month Lego Club! The Lego club will promote creativity, problem solving, and teamwork, all while “playing” and having fun!

Join us on the third Wednesday of the month in the St Peter in Chains cafeteria to complete the themed Lego challenge. Lego's and a snack will be provided. \$5 fee requested per session. Please use the Cheddar Up link for sign-ups as well as payment. The permission slip is attached within the Cheddar Up sign up. [Lego Club Sign Up Link](#)
[FLYER](#)

First session will be Wednesday September 20th. For more information email Mrs. Lawson at (lawsons@stpeterinchains.org).

Chess Club:

Chess Club is coming back for students in Grades 2-8!!
Please see the attached flyer with information and the dates and time the club will meet. Permission slip will be available soon.

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[PERMISSION SLIP](#)



Volunteering in the School or Parish:

ANYONE who wishes to volunteer in our school or the parish **MUST** be certified with Safe Parish AND have a positive background check on file thru Selection.com

You must also stay up to date on the Safe Parish trainings that are sent out via email. **If you are interested in volunteering for an opportunity that comes up, please see the attached information about SafeParish and Selection.com to start the process.** All approved volunteers are always checked prior to the time of the event scheduled for to be sure they are up to date.

Walkathon – 2023 – “Who Needs Luck When you Have Faith”

Our annual Walk-a-Thon is scheduled for **Friday, October 13, 2023**. The Walk-a-Thon is our No. 1 fundraiser of the year! By appealing to parishioners, the Hamilton community, and the families and friends of our students, this event regularly raises \$30,000—monies that go toward vital school operations, capital improvements, field trips, classroom support, and much more. This year, for example, monies raised via the Walk-a-Thon are being utilized to make critical updates to the school building and campus.

This year, in honor of our donors' generous support, our students will again participate in various fitness-themed activities on October 13.

ALL volunteers **MUST** be certified with Safe Parish, have a positive background check on file, and also be current with any Safe Parish training before they can volunteer. We only allow volunteers who are scheduled and placed at a station to be on campus the day of the Walkathon. No siblings please. If you have any questions about your status, you can contact the school office.

Forgotten Lunches:

If your child forgot their lunch a peanut butter and jelly sandwich will be provided to them for \$1.00. An invoice will be emailed to the parents and payment is due the next school day

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. Please note, the jackets at Shaheens are not approved for gray. Only navy blue and hunter green.

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.

*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
[Rewards Programs Link](#)

Water Bottles:

ALL students should bring a refillable water bottle to school EVERY day. We do not have water fountains at school, we only have water bottle filling stations. Please remember to send this with your child. **All water bottles should only have water inside.** No other drinks are permitted. Thank you!

CO-ED Basketball – Grades 1 & 2

If your 1st or 2nd Grader is interested in playing in the co-ed league with St. Peters, St. Joes, QOP, Sacred Heart and St. Anns, please use the link below to sign up. Flyers were sent home with students today. Players must be registered BY OCTOBER 23, 2023.

[1st 2nd grade basketball sign up link](#)
[FLYER](#)

Skate Party – Thursday, October 5 – 5:30-8:30 PM

School's out the next day, so come and have some fun the night before!
Please see the flyer attached to this OptionC email being sent with *The Link* Newsletter for all the details!



FAIRFIELD GIRLS LACROSSE:

Our Fall Fest 5 v 5 League is back for another year! This fast paced, low pressure, and low commitment league is a fantastic way to keep your skills sharp before heading into the long winter, all while having FUN! No experience is necessary! Our 5 v 5 League is perfect for both new and experienced players. New players can try lacrosse and get in-game experience while returning players are able strengthen their stick skills and lacrosse IQ. Many of our players list 5 v 5 as their favorite session because it's high scoring and relaxed atmosphere.

The Fall Fest 5 v 5 League is open to girls from any school in the greater Cincinnati area in grades K-8th. Players in 9th grade who are new to lacrosse are also eligible to participate.

The Fall Fest 5 v 5 League will take place October 1st-29th. All games are played at Fairfield's Christy Dennis Stadium on Sunday mornings between the hours of 10am-2pm. There are no practices, just games on Sundays. A jersey is included in the cost of registration and lacrosse equipment will be provided for those needing it.

Sign up today by visiting www.fairfieldlax.org or by clicking here: [Fall Fest 5 v 5 Registration](#)

Questions? Please contact us at fflaxpresident@gmail.com

Come join us for some FUN this fall!  [Fall 5v5 Black & White Print 20230831 194600 00...](#)

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.

Hamilton Junior Women's League – Run for Your Bones 5K

Saturday, October 21 – 9:00 AM ~ Please see the [LINK](#) for flyer

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:

- 7th/8th Grade CYO Social Permission Slips – DUE BY 10/4/23