





## St. Pius X / St. Leo School

Newsletter October 2, 2015

# PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES October 29, 2015



Parental involvement in a child's education process is essential for the child to experience success at St. Pius X / St. Leo School. One of the most effective ways for you, our parents, to be involved in your child's education is to monitor, encourage, and support the responsible development of your child spiritually, academically, physically and socially. In order for parents and teachers to work together on this approach, it is most

helpful to hold a conference to discuss each child's strengths and successes plus any needs and concerns. Important information about the conferences follows. Conferences will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 29th.

- Teachers in grades Preschool 3, and also the resource teachers will be located in their rooms.
- Teachers in grades 4 8 plus the other specialty teachers will be located in the gym. Mrs. Heeney will also have conferences in the gym.
- We are not scheduling parents for individual conferences. Please come at a time during these hours that is convenient for you. Also, please be aware that you might have to wait for the teacher you want. With most of the teachers gathered in areas, hopefully you will be able to watch for the shorter lines.
- You will need to go to your child's homeroom teacher first to pick up his/her report card. After you talk with the homeroom teacher,



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you are also welcome to talk with any other teachers with whom you wish to speak as they are free.

• Each conference should not last longer than 5 - 10 minutes. If you need a longer time, you will need to make special arrangements to see the teacher at another time.

#### **SPECIAL NOTICES:**

- We ask that only adults come to these conferences. We realize
  that childcare may be difficult for you to arrange, but with so many
  people gathered in these areas we want to minimize disruption due
  to numbers and noise.
- Please know that the teachers need to take a break from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and that conferences end at 6:30 p.m.



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Please join us Saturday, October 17th at Creighton Prep as we gather for **Cheers to 60 Years**: A Celebration of Educational Excellence.

## \*\*To Register for the Event\*\*

Return your RSVP and payment (\$60 per person) to the school office by October 10th.

## \*\*Don't Forget to Enter (winners need not be present)\*\* Tuition Raffle

\$25 per ticket - only 200 tickets sold! Winner receives tuition voucher which can be used for tuition for the 2016-17 school year (value approximately \$2,600).

#### **Cash Prize Drawing**

Free-will donation for cash drawing tickets
Grand Prize \$2,500
1st Prize \$750
2nd Prize \$250

Visit <a href="http://spsl.net/cheers-to-60-years/">http://spsl.net/cheers-to-60-years/</a> for information on the event and our event sponsors. We hope you can join us for a fun-filled evening in support of our school!

#### For more information or to get involved:

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Health Hint

<u>Hy-Vee "Cash for Students"</u> Program

C.A.R.E. News



#### **SCHOOL DIRECTORY**

The 2015-2016 SPSL School Directory is now available for purchase in the school office for \$5.00. Please feel free to send money with your child to school and the directory will be sent home. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at (402) 551-6667.



#### **CULVER'S NIGHT**

Tuesday, **October 13th**, from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. is SPSL night at Culver's at 120th and Miami Streets. When you place your order, please tell the cashier that you are with SPSL. Don't forget your Culver's C.A.R.E.



#### **FAZOLI'S NIGHT**

Join us on Wednesday, October 21st, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for SPSL night at the Fazoli's restaurant at 80th & Cass Streets. When you place your order, please tell the cashier that you are with SPSL. Fazoli's will

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### **EVENTS**

October 6 - Mass Gr 1, 2 & 3 at 8:30 a.m.

October 6 - First Reconciliation Meetings for parents - at St. Pius X and at St. Leo - 7:00 p.m.

October 7 - Mass Gr 7 & 8 at 8:30 a.m.

October 8 - Mass Grades 4, 5 & 6 at 8:30 a.m.

October 11 - SPSL Church Choir at St. Pius X - 9:30 a.m.

October 13 - Mass Gr 1, 2 & 3 at 8:30 a.m.

October 13 - Culver's Night - 120th & Blondo - 5:00-9:00 p.m.

October 14 - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - Staff Development Day for Teachers

October 15 - Mass Gr 4, 5 & 6 at 8:30 a.m.

October 16 - Newsletter emailed to parents and posted at spsl.net

October 16 - Optional Dress Down Day - \$1 or more donation to support SPSL fundraiser

October 17 - SPSL School Fundraiser at Creighton Prep - 5:30 p.m.

October 20 - Mass Gr 1, 2 & 3 at 8:30 a.m.

October 20 - School Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - in the library

October 21 - Mass Gr 7 & 8 at 8:30 a.m.

October 21 - Fazoli's Night at 80th & Cass from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

October 22 - PreSchool - Gr 7 Picture Day

October 22 - Mass Gr 4, 5 & 6 at 8:30 a.m.

October 23 - Grade 8 Picture Day

October 23 - End of 1st Quarter

October 25 - SPSL Church Choir at St. Leo - 10:00 a.m.

October 28 - Last day to wear uniform shorts until April 1, 2016

October 28 - Grade 7 Reconciliation at 1:30 p.m.

October 29 - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS -

Parent-Teacher Conferences from 11:00-2:00 p.m. and 3:00-6:30 p.m.

October 30 - NO SCHOOL - FREE DAY FOR ALL

donate 10% of that night's sales to SPSL.

Every third Wednesday of the month will be Fazoli's Night at the Peony Park location. Mark your calendars!



#### **BOOK FAIR**

Visit the Usborne **Books** More Book Fair durina Parent/Teacher Conferences on October 29. The books will be displayed in the Fireplace Room outside of the Parish Center. Come check out the areat selection of books. The holidays are coming and books are great gifts!

## Educational Outfitters



#### **FALL PANT SALE**

Educational Outfitters is having a sale through Thursday, October 8th on uniform pants. All pants are currently 10% off through October 8th.

### SMILE! TIME FOR SCHOOL PICTURES



Students in Preschool through Grade 7 will be photographed on Thursday, October 22nd. Students in these grades may dress up on October 22nd. SPSL also invites younger siblings of SPSL students to have their photos taken at school beginning at 8:00 a.m. on

For everyone except Grade 8 students, Scholastic Photography uses the Pre-Pay Photo Plan in which families choose and purchase packages before the photos are taken. Envelopes will be sent home soon with each



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The cafeteria needs adult volunteers to help serve lunch to students. Parents, grandparents and friends are all welcome to help! You will need to

student in Preschool through Grade 7. Please complete and return the envelope to your child's homeroom teacher. If you pay by check, please make your check payable to Scholastic Photography.

**Students in Grade 8 will be photographed on Friday, October 23rd.** Eighth grade students may dress up on October 23rd. For Grade 8 students, Scholastic Photography does NOT require the Pre-Pay Photo Plan. Instead, Grade 8 students will receive proofs at a later time. Grade 8 students will order and pay for their photos after they view their proofs.

Please contact us at (402) 551-6667 if you have questions about this year's Picture Days.

### 2015-2016 STUDENT COUNCIL



Congratulations to the following students who were recently elected as Student Council representatives for the 2015-2016 school year!

**5th grade**: Joseph Hayes, Sheridan Hogrefe, Erin Lemar and Tyra Onyango

6th grade: Jackson Dasher, Parker Mooney and Jordan Simon

**7th grade**: Sydnee Baysa, McKenna Blaine, Eleanor Mangan and Cole Wilber

**8th grade**: Connor Gregg, Ian Johnson, Delano Lockhart and Noah Monzu

# OPTIONAL DRESS DOWN DAY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

Friday, October 16th will be an Optional Dress Down Day. For a \$1.00 (or more) donation, students may dress down. The donations will benefit the 2015 SPSL Fundraiser.



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"Dress-down" means casual attire including t-shirts, jeans, sweatpants, shorts, sweatshirts and blouses. We ask that the t-shirts are in good taste without offensive language/graphics. They may not display musical groups, advertise drugs/alcohol or display guns, weapons or violence. Sleeveless shirts and bare midriffs are not allowed. Jeans and sweatpants must be

without holes and tears. Girls may wear leggings, but they must be accompanied with an extra long sweater, blouse or skirt. Capri pants may be worn by girls only. Flannel pants and/or pajama pants may NOT be worn. We recommend that students not wear any clothing that is too tight

be available from approximately 10:45 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

You can volunteer once or twice per month, every week or as often as you are able. To volunteer, call Ann Marus at (402) 551-1803 or email her at ann.marus@spsl.net.

#### **THANK YOU!**



## HEALTH HINT: HEAD LICE: TIPS FOR PREVENTING

Head lice: Most children get head lice through head-to-head contact.

Head lice are common, and it is easy for children to pick up head lice at school and other places where they play. There are a few things you can do to reduce the risk of your child getting head lice.

Teach your child to not share things that touch the head. Brushes, combs, hair bows and accessories, hats, helmets, scarves, towels, and even ear buds offer head lice a good place to hang out until they can crawl onto a human.

Please contact the school office if your child should require treatment for lice. All information is confidential and assists in monitoring cases of head lice.

For more information, click here.



or too short. As with any school day, the sock, shoe and jewelry code are in effect, except that the students are allowed to wear any color of socks and any shoes that have the heels and toes closed. The jewelry code stays exactly the same. Please check the Family Handbook if you have questions regarding these policies.

#### YOUNKERS COMMUNITY DAYS

St. Pius X / St. Leo School is participating in Younkers Community Days. The event will be held from Wednesday, November 11th to Saturday, November 14th at all Younkers locations. With the purchase of your \$5 packet you will receive:



- \$10 off one item per ticket.
- Community Day coupons, which can be used on Bonus Buys!
- 25% all day savings pass
- 30% early bird coupon is good Friday and Saturday from open to 1:00 pm
- All coupons can be used for pre-selling (pre-sale begins on Sunday, November 8)

St. Pius X / St. Leo School will receive 100% of the \$5 ticket sales if purchased through SPSL. You can purchase your tickets in the school office during the school day. SELLERS WANTED: Please stop by the office if you are interested in picking up some booklets to sell. Take them to children's games and activities and school functions. Don't forget to purchase Younkers C.A.R.E. (sold in \$25 increments).

## STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART THANKS PARTICIPATING FAMILIES

Straight from the Heart would like to thank the following families for their kindness and generosity. This is a parent sponsored program that provides the opportunity to show their appreciation to the faculty and staff by providing treats. We send our thanks to the following families providing monetary donations to Straight from the Heart. In September, faculty and staff were treated to a day of special snacks and drinks, with the theme centered around the game 'Apples to Apples'. (Every effort is made to include the names of all participating families, but apologies to anyone that was inadvertently excluded.)

## HY-VEE'S "CASH FOR STUDENTS" PROGRAM

Help raise money for our school while shopping at Hy-Vee. Send your store receipts to the school office. Hy-Vee donates \$1 for every \$200 in receipts that we collect. Receipts dated between September 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 are eligible.



#### C.A.R.E. NEWS

Have you used our CARE/SCRIP program? Want more information on the program? Watch the following short video for an explanation of our CARE/SCRIP program. We keep many gift cards in-stock for immediate purchase. Check out the in-stock order form on the school website or click here.

To watch the video, please click the following icon.



### **SPSL ON THE INTERNET**

Visit the <u>SPSL website</u> to learn about our school and activities.

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