



SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE

CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Happy New Year! Welcome back to school, and welcome to a new year filled with promise and optimism. I hope that your holidays were filled with the love and laughter of family and friends, and special moments that will make for many beautiful memories. At the beginning of each new year we always feel as if we have been given another chance or a fresh start. As we reflect upon our personal resolutions, let us also resolve to continue to do all the good that we can, in all the ways that we can, for as long as we can.

As a Catholic school community, we ended 2019 with joyful celebrations and several projects that were designed to reach out to others in need. A heartfelt thank you is extended to everyone for the many contributions you made towards the Christmas projects that our students participated in with a magnificent attitude of giving and service. It was truly a wonderful example of a Catholic school community coming together in a spirit of faith and stewardship. The recipients of your generosity expressed tearful and deep appreciation for all that you did to help brighten the season of Christmas for them. Thank you for allowing our students the opportunity to live out their faith values in being global ambassadors to others.

And speaking of gratitude, I would also like to take this opportunity to commend every student who participated in our school's Christmas program, "The Mission!" Whether a cast member, caroler, or narrator, your children did a phenomenal job of bringing the spirit of Christmas to all of us! (A special note of gratitude is extended to the parents of James Gotfredson—*Baby Jesus*—for entrusting their precious child to us! Much like the rest of the cast, little James was perfect and didn't miss a single cue.) Thank you to our wonderful audience for acknowledging the hard work and fantastic performance of all of

our students by your attentive presence, warm laughter and thunderous applause at the end of the program. The students certainly deserved every heartfelt “Bravo!” that rang throughout the church that night, and all of the positive comments and words of appreciation that were shared throughout the week.

As we embark upon the rest of our school year, let us continue our commitment of working together in unity—home, school, and parish—to achieve all that is in the best interests of our students. May this 2020 New Year bring harmony, love, happiness, good health, wisdom and prosperity to all!

Peace and blessings,

Crystal A. Pinkofsky
Principal

6	JAN 2020, MON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day All day 	School Resumes - 7:45 am - 2:50 pm STAR Window 2 Opens
7	JAN 2020, TUE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15:30 – 16:30 16:30 – 17:30 	Varsity Boy's Basketball Game -GYM 7th Grade Boy's Basketball Game - GYM
9	JAN 2020, THU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15:30 – 16:30 	Varsity Boy's Basketball Game - GYM
10	JAN 2020, FRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 19:00 – 20:00 	Sandwich Builders - JCPC (4th Grade)
11	JAN 2020, SAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	DK/Kinder Assessment
12	JAN 2020, SUN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 09:30 – 10:30 	Mass - 5th Grade Family Mass
13	JAN 2020, MON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 08:00 – 15:00 08:00 – 10:00 08:00 – 09:00 18:30 – 19:30 	7th and 8th Grade - Miles to Go - JACC PWC Meeting - MPR 7th and 8th Grade Parents Intro - Miles to Go Drug Prevention Education - JCPC 2nd Grade Sacrament Mtg - JCPC
14	JAN 2020, TUE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 08:00 – 14:45 	7th and 8th Grade - Miles to Go - JACC
15	JAN 2020, WED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15:45 – 16:45 16:30 – 18:00 16:45 – 17:45 18:30 – 20:30 	7th Grade Boy's Basketball - GYM School Board Meeting - JACC Varsity Boy's Basketball Game - GYM 3rd Grade Prayer Service/Dinner - CH/JCPC
16	JAN 2020, THU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 08:00 – 09:00 15:30 – 16:30 16:30 – 17:30 	5th and 6th Grade - Miles to Go - Media Center 5th and 6th Grade Parents Intro - Miles to Go Drug Prevention Education - JCPC Varsity Boy's Basketball Game - GYM 7th Grade Boy's Basketball -GYM
17	JAN 2020, FRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	5th and 6th Grade - Miles to Go - Media Center



2nd TRIMESTER STAR ASSESSMENTS

Beginning today, January 6, all of our students will begin the STAR math and reading assessments for the second trimester. The data

received from these assessments will provide us with information that can be used to assist us with improving instruction and making sound educational decisions about each student's academic growth and needs. Because the assessments are timed and given in sequence, it is important that our students arrive to school on time each morning. Unfortunately, students who miss a portion of the test may not have the opportunity to make it up at a later time. Thank you in advance for your cooperation regarding this important matter.



NEW SPA WEBSITE!

We have launched our new website and we just want to remind parents to login in order to access sign-ups, information, and other school resources on our new School & PWC website! Go to school.sp-apostle.org/pwc to access your account. If you have forgotten your password, please send an email to helpdesk@sp-apostle.org as the password reset module is not working at this time. We're looking to fully transition both the Parish and School sites by January 1, and finally be up-to-date with our web presence! Thank you for your patience!



PARENTS: SAVE THE DATE!

Parent information meetings for "Miles to Go" (our school's drug education program for grades 5 through 8) are scheduled for Monday, January 13, at 8:00 a.m., and Thursday, January 16, at 8:00 a.m. Both sessions will be held in the JCPC. Parents from any grade level are welcome to attend either presentation.

The presentation includes vital up-to-date information on good health and body model, caffeine, tobacco, vaping, alcohol, and marijuana. Information will also be shared regarding how and what material will be presented to students at each level. Please speak to Nurse Anderson should you have any concerns or need more clarification regarding the topics.



SPA CHESS CLUB - Join Us for Trimester 2!

All students in grades K through 8 are welcome to join the Chess Club! Our second trimester will begin Monday, January 6, (TODAY). The Chess Club meets on Mondays after school and we welcome all levels of players. [Register here!](#)

If you have any questions, feel free to send an e-mail to jgietl@aol.com. We look forward to seeing you at Chess!

PWC NEWS CORNER!

As we continue to move forward into 2020, please note the following on your calendars and make plans to join in on the various community gatherings and celebrations.

January 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center - Initial meeting for Small Prayer Groups

January 26th - Father's Club Pancake Breakfast

February 8th - Isaac Hecker Celebration

February 9th - Mother's Luncheon and Mass

Please go to the PWC website for more details on these events and other activities that we have planned.



SPA'S SOCIAL MEDIA



Please join St. Paul's this year as we ramp up our social media game on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube! We will be posting regular updates along with the parish to share the news about everything that's happening around campus and in the community. Check it out and share your "likes" to show your support! You can subscribe here!

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