

ST. PETER IN CHAINS
THE LINK—EXPRESS!
1/11/2018

This year, the Link has been streamlined to be more of a weekly bulletin to give you fast, weekly information. Hence, The Link—*Express!* We will continue to have the full Link newsletter once a month.

Mission Statement:

The purpose of Catholic education at St. Peter in Chains School is to instill the values of the Catholic faith in students so that they not only hear, but also embody and practice the mission of Jesus Christ and spread His message as it applies to life in the twenty first century.

Virtue of the Month:

Fidelity: Being faithful to promises and commitments.

Important Dates:

- 1/12/18 – February Lunch Orders are due on OptionC and payment is DUE
- 1/12/18 – 7/8th Grade D.C. Papa John's Pizza Lunch (if pre-ordered and paid)
- 1/14/18 - St. Maximillian Catholic Elementary School Fair
- 1/15/18 – NO School – ML King Day
- 1/16/18 – HW Club – 2:15 – 3:00 PM
- 1/16/18 – School Mass – 8:00 AM
- 1/17/18 – Student Council 2:15-3:15 PM
- 1/17/18 – Band – 2:15 – 4:00 PM
- 1/17 & 1/18/18 – ACRE Testing for Grades 5 & 8
- 1/18/18 – HW Club – 2:15 – 3:00 PM
- 1/18/18 – Archery Practice – 2:15-3:30 PM
- 1/19/18 – Hot lunch from 1/8/18 will be served if you purchased
- 1/21/18 – First Communion Parent Meeting at the Fenmont – 10:30 – 11:30 AM

Looking Ahead:

- 1/22/18 – Registration begins for current students
- 1/22/18 – Daisies and Brownies Meetings 2:15-3:15 PM
- 1/24/18 – Faculty Meeting – 2:30-4:00 PM
- 1/28/18 – **St. Peter in Chains OPEN HOUSE 2:00 – 4:00 PM**
- 1/28-2/2/18 – Catholic Schools Week (Details to come....)
- 1/30/18 – Catholic Schools Week Mass at the St. Peter in Chains Cathedral – 10:00 AM
- 2/6/18 – Bob Dole Spelling Bee at Fairwood Elementary – 7:00 PM
- 2/10/18 – Mandatory Confirmation Retreat for all Confirmadi currently in grades 6 & 7 (others in grades 6-12 who have been confirmed or would like to attend are welcome to come). Permission slips went home today.
- 2/14/18 – Ash Wednesday – School Mass at 8:00 AM
- 2/24/18 – Father-Daughter Dance (details to come)

Altar Server Schedule:

Sunday, January 14, 2018

8:00 AM

Teagan Hickey

Kaylen Rose

Altar Server Schedule:

Sunday, January 14, 2018

11:00 AM

Ellie Black

Tatum Palechek

Libby Palechek

Altar Server Schedule:

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

Ainsley Brandabur

Teagan Hickey

Libby Palechek

Eucharistic Ministers:

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

Mady Rooney

Emma Zancan

Mr. Otte

Mrs. Warner

GEOGRAPHY BEE – 2018



Congratulations to our 2018 Geography Bee Champion, David Clark (8th Grade) and runner-up, Katie Schwartz (6th Grade). It was a hard fought battle until the end. We are all very proud of you both and all the classroom finalists. Great job!! Thank you also to Mr. Dirk Allen for moderating the event again this year. We appreciate your time.

FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

This has been CANCELLED for this weekend. It is **rescheduled for Saturday, January 20th from 12:30-4:00 PM** in the St. Peter's Gym.

The Hamilton Knights of Columbus, Council 968 is sponsoring their 2nd Annual Free Throw Competition. The competition is for Girls and Boys ages 9 thru 14. The winner of the competition gets a chance to participate in the Regional and State Championships of Ohio. If you are interested, please [click here](#) for a form or contact Steve Bosse at 513-259-6184.

7th & 8th GRADE CYO SOCIAL

The Social that was to be held tomorrow, January 12th has been rescheduled for Friday, January 26th from 8:00-10:30 PM at the PFAC at Badin High School. If you did not turn in a form and are now able to go, please fill out a permission form and turn it in to the school office.

Parents, please note: we are in need of at least 2 more chaperones for the dance. Chaperones **MUST** meet all child protection requirements and be current on Virtus training to volunteer. Please contact Rene Rawlings at 652-4530 if you are able to help. If we do not get chaperones, the St. Peters students will not be able to attend.



Should I keep my child home from School?

Especially during the cold and flu season this is often a difficult question for parents to answer. **The School Nurse and Ohio Department of Health guidelines are as follows.** The child should be without fever, vomiting, diarrhea for a full 24 hours and have eaten a normal meal and feel well enough to make it through a full day of class before coming to school. If an antibiotic has been prescribed, oral or topical – the student can return 24 hours after first dose / application.

The following will help you make a decision if your child does not feel well.

1. FEVER: When a child's temperature is 100 degrees or higher, this is an indication of illness and the child should be considered contagious. The child should remain at home until they are fever free (without Acetaminophen or Ibuprofen) for 24 hours. These products may bring a fever down, but do not cure the illness. They are still contagious to others and their immune system is weakened.

2. COMMON COLD: Irritated throat, congestion, sneezing, coughing, general body discomfort. If the child is fever free they may attend school unless symptoms are serious enough to interfere with their ability to function and learn. Please keep them at home if having a frequent nagging cough because it makes it difficult for the student to concentrate and interrupts the class (and could be contagious). Remind your child to cover their cough and sneeze

with their arm.



3. VOMITING / DIARRHEA: A child should remain home until vomiting or diarrhea has subsided for a full 24 hours. However, there are sometimes other causes for an upset stomach such as anxiety, sinus drainage, motion sickness, some medications and even hunger.

4. SORE / STREP THROAT: Usually, Strep Throat begins with a fever, red and sore throat, and tender glands which may be accompanied by headache, nausea or vomiting. The child should remain home from school until receiving a full 24 hours of antibiotic therapy and no fever has occurred for 24 hours. Most physicians will advise rest at home for 1-2 days after a strep infection is diagnosed.

5. RASH: Rashes can be caused by contact with weeds, bugs, moist heat and allergens. They can also be caused by viruses and bacteria such as Coxsackie or Strep. Please Keep your child home and consult your doctor if the rash is spreading, changing, accompanied or preceded by a fever, or has blister like look to it. Notify the school office of the diagnosis.

6. HAND WASHING: is an effective way to prevent the spread of infectious diseases! Please take the time to review with your child good hand washing techniques to be used before eating, after using the washroom and throughout the day. Dressing warm enough for cold weather and getting good night sleep helps to maintain good health.

7. HEAD LICE: Lice are small grayish-tan, wingless insects that lay eggs called nits. Nits are firmly attached to the hair shafts, close to the scalp. Nits are much easier to see and detect than lice. They are small white specks which are usually found at the nape of the neck and behind the ears. Lice can be picked up anywhere, movie theatre seats, buses, stores and restaurants. If your child has a case of Lice, they may return to school after receiving treatment with a pediculicide shampoo, nits have been removed, and school office has been informed. School will normally only do a classroom head check and send a letter to parents if there are 2-3 or more cases in one classroom.



If you have questions please contact the school office.
Melanie Schmitt RN, School Nurse

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ART CONTEST OPPORTUNITY!

Students in grades K-12 are invited to take part in the 2018 Doodle 4 Google contest, and create an uplifting doodle that tells the world "What inspires me." From crayons to clay, graphic design, or even food, young artists can utilize any materials to bring their creation to life. Like all Google Doodles, each doodle must incorporate the letters G-o-o-g-l-e. One national winner will receive a \$30,000 college scholarship, a \$50,000 technology package for their school/non-profit organization, and a behind-the-scenes experience with the Doodle team to transform their Doodle into an interactive experience on Google.com. The contest is open for entries from January 8th – March 2nd, 2018 – only 8 short weeks! We will NOT be working on this in class and everything is submitted online please check out the details at doodle4google.com! GOOD LUCK!

CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Catholic Education Foundation is currently accepting applications for 2018-2019 elementary school tuition assistance scholarships. All scholarships are needs-based and can be used at any Catholic elementary school within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Awards range from \$250 to \$1,000 per student.

How to apply:

www.catholicbestchoice.org

Deadline: January 31, 2018

Amount: Up to \$1,000 per child

The Catholic Education Foundation scholarship program became a reality in 2017-2018 through the One Faith, One Hope, One Love Capital Campaign. Due to the generosity of your parish, the Catholic Education Foundation will again be able to offer over \$2,000,000 in financial aid!

To apply visit:

www.catholicbestchoice.org

or click: [Link](#)

