

SPS MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School

Upcoming Events:

- *Cookie dough fundraiser has started*
- *First school Mass is Friday - Mass uniforms please*
- *Friday, August 28 - Picture Day!*

EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

We are off to a great start! The students took a baseline test to help me determine what areas we need to work on. I was pleased with the results. The students appear to be focused on having a successful year. I have informed the students that they will be allowed to use their notes during tests instead of allowing them to make corrections as I have done in the past. I am trying to get the students in the habit of taking extensive notes to help them retain information better by giving them an incentive to do so.

SEVENTH GRADE NEWS

Here are a few lines to keep you up to date with classroom news. The children are slowly but surely getting used to the new routine. They are happy and smiling. Some are still a bit sluggish. Please make sure your child gets enough rest. Snack time for all Junior High students is 10:30 am. Please send a snack for your child to eat at that time. Nutritious snacks are advisable. Please do not send chocolate or red drinks. Homework is a part of all classes. The children will be assigned homework for a majority of the classes. The planner is used by each student to note assignments. I will initial my assignments. Please initial the planner. This will let me know that you have seen the assignments. Thank you for your cooperation.

SIXTH GRADE NEWS



5-8th Grade Science will be reviewing aspects of safety in the lab. Parents please look for your students to bring home an expectation agreement for you to review and discuss with your child.

5th Grade News:

The fifth grade has started strong! We are adjusting to having lockers in the junior high hall, and to changing classes. Here is a little extra info:

- Students can bring water bottles and snack to school. Water is especially important in this hot weather.
- We will be planning a 5th and 6th grade 'World Religion Day' soon, with visits to the local synagogue, mosque and our own St. Patrick's Cathedral. If any one would like to help plan, please let me know.
- Please make sure all your kids bring their shoes for PE Monday through Thursday.

General Information

There are two Diocesan Band events this Fall:

The Burger Bash on September 28
At Nolan –open to Middle School students interested in band

and

October 2nd, middle schoolers (who play and instrument) are invited to play with the Nolan Band at the football game.

More information will follow.

Reminder: If you only pick-up 5th—8th graders, you can use the middle school pick-up line and exit using the southside driveway.

Junior High Rocks!