

St. Patrick's School  
Tuesday Notes  
September 13, 2022

September Service Project

We invite all from the St. Patrick's community to show our love and support and honor AJ's life by participating in the annual toy drive. Toys will be donated to Johns Hopkins Children's Center to the Child Life Department.

NWEA MAP Testing Schedule

Please look for the schedule next Tuesday for MAP testing. We will begin on 9/26 with whole classes, while some students who receive accommodations may begin as early as the end of this week/early next.

Colonial Day

There is no charge for this field trip, thanks to the great success of last year's annual fund. Opportunities like this are a wonderful academic experience for our students and one they surely will remember. At this time, no parent volunteers are needed because of the staff from Camp Flintrock and our own faculty and staff, but parents are more than welcome to come, watch, and enjoy! The weather is looking beautiful for next Tuesday, here's to hoping! Students can wear colonial day clothing they have anything or should wear their PE uniforms.

Please send your child with a water bottle, their lunch is as usual, and sunscreen!

The in-school field trip is for PK-grade 7 students with 8th grade students helping at the various activities.

Picture Day

Individual student pictures will be taken on:

Monday, October 3rd for children in grades 3-8.

Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, for children in grades PK-2.

Students may be out of uniform on these days but should be dressed nicely.

Class pictures will be held on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> for all grades. Students should wear their uniforms (even if it is a birthday-IOU out of uniform). **Boys should wear long khaki pants and girls should wear their jumpers/kilts (not skorts).**

High School Information Meeting

Parents with students in grades 6-8 who are interested in learning about the high school process and acceptance into area Catholic high schools are welcome to join me for an information session on Thursday, September 29th at 8:15 a.m. This session will walk you through the application process and help answer any questions you may have as you prepare your son/daughter for high school. We will meet in the parish center first floor meeting room. The code to enter is 12121#.

HSA Dues and Forms

Please make sure you submit your HSA dues, handbook acknowledgment forms, medical forms, and early release forms. School directories should come home before the end of the week to families who have all paperwork submitted.

### Virtus Training

For those parents who are looking to volunteer within our community, it is mandated by the Archdiocese of Washington that all volunteers complete the Virtus Training program to keep all our children safe.

All forms and additional information is available on our website under Parent Resources. Please contact Mrs. Ali if you have any questions.

### Chick-fil-A is Back by Popular Demand

We are going to bring back Chick-fil-A one day a week November-January on a trial basis. Yay Lunch is not able to provide Chick-fil-A so your help meeting deadlines is important if your child wants the lunch because we are going "old school" and taking paper orders. Orders will only be processed on our end with a check or cash in hand. We will not be able to offer reimbursements if your child is not present for his/her lunch. Pending the success this ordering cycle, we will consider additional options (including the sandwich)

All orders must be completed by October 13<sup>th</sup> using the attached order form (emails will not be accepted). Lunch includes nuggets, fruit cup, and chips. Please see attached.

### Help Wanted!

Mrs. Mitchell is looking for hot lunch volunteers! Please see available days and times.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AAEAF2DA1FDCF8-stpatricks>. Please see attached "direction/responsibilities".

### Annual HUGE yard sale! Who wants to help?!

Help is needed from anyone and everyone who can spare a minute to set up this huge fundraiser that supports Life Connection Mission, Haiti. Our school community has rallied behind LCM and many of our own teachers, alumni, and parents have visited Haiti and seen the great work LCM has done for the community of Montrouis, Haiti.

The yard sale will be held on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, BUT help is needed Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>-Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> for set up. If you are interested in helping in ANY way, please e-mail Miss Short.

Parents of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders who would like to participate in the yard sale to earn FIA hours, please ask your student to come see me and let me know when they are able to work. To receive FIA hours, students must participate in 4 hours of service and have a responsible adult present.

Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>-Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>- 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

### Security Team

We have an internal crisis team here at St. Patrick's School consisting of teachers, staff, and Mr. L'Etoile, but I am happy to add 4/5 parent volunteers to the team. The initial stage would be a campus tour and conversation but know in advance the entire crisis plan is an internal document and cannot be shared with those who currently are not a member of the faculty or staff.

### Annual Fund, Golf Tournament Registration and Signage

The annual Golf Tournament taking place on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> is filling up quickly. There are only a handful of spots left for the 18 hole event so sign up ASAP. For additional event information and to purchase your tickets, please click on the following link <https://one.bidpal.net/spsgolf2022/welcome>.

We are still looking for a handful of volunteers to help out throughout the day. If you would like to volunteer to help with the golf tournament, please email Maria Harr ([mjharr@hotmail.com](mailto:mjharr@hotmail.com)).

To assist with childcare needs the afternoon of September 26<sup>th</sup>, Miss Short and Mrs. Mitchell have kindly agreed to waive the aftercare fee for anyone who is playing or volunteering at the golf tournament. If you would like to enroll your child/children in aftercare that day, please email Mrs. Mitchell directly ([nora.mitchell@stpatrickadw.org](mailto:nora.mitchell@stpatrickadw.org)).

The Golf Tournament will recognize contributions to the Annual Fund. Gifts of \$250 or more will receive a family sign that will be posted on Kane Lane and then transferred to Manor for the event. Please make your Annual Fund gift by Wednesday at 10:00am to see your family's sign the following week. THANK YOU to all the families who have already supported this year's Annual Fund campaign. Our goal is 100% participation. Please visit the campaign's website (<https://donate.onecause.com/stpatsfund>) to make your gift today.

#### Let's Get Social!

Have you liked us on social media yet? Lots of photos and reminders will be posted on both Facebook and Instagram throughout the school year!

Facebook- St. Patrick's Catholic School, Rockville, MD

Instagram- stpatrickscatholicsschool

#### Photos

We would love to have you share your photos throughout the year with us! We will include them on social media as well as our yearbook. Please be sensitive and aware of other children's feelings if you send pictures of events that take place out of school. Thanks to everyone who has posted so far. Keep posting those great pics! Upload them to our shared picture drive using the link below. Thank you!

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1outEspPbRz4niGUQn6HohUW67LPcdfJY?usp=sharing>

#### Spirit Wear!

Spirit Wear is available throughout the year to purchase all your St. Patrick's Swag through the link below. New items coming soon! You can also access the Spirit Wear store from our school website.

<https://one.bidpal.net/stpatswear/welcome>

#### The Upcoming Weeks:

Friday, September 23rd	Noon Dismissal PK-Grade 8; aftercare available until 6:00 p.m.
Monday, September 26th	Golf Tournament at Manor Country Club
Thursday, September 29th	High School Information Meeting 8:15 a.m.