

St. Patrick's School
Tuesday Notes
March 21, 2023

Spring Uniforms

Monday, March 27th students can wear spring uniforms. Reminder that the spring uniform is the same as what your child wore in the fall.

As we make this spring transition, this is also a good reminder to our junior high girls to check skirt lengths and for boys to make sure they are in compliance with the hair cut policy.

The policy as stated on page 9

Uniform shoes are to be solid black or solid brown leather slip on such as a Merrill or Mary Jane, saddle shoe, dirty buck or a penny loafer. Please no boat style shoes specifically Sperrys. Athletic shoes are to be worn on P.E. days. Sandals and leather/snow boots are unacceptable.

The following items are not included in the school uniform:

- Make-up, tattoos or body stickers, dark nail polish (light or clear polish only)
- Jewelry (with the exception of small earrings for girls only, one per ear)
- Extreme hairstyles (including Mohawks, drastic fades/undercuts) and accessories
- Boys must maintain a hair length of above their ears and eyebrows, and off the back collar
- Hair dye (only child's natural color hair is appropriate)
- Skorts and skirts must be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.

A Dew Other Gentle Reminders from our Handbook

PREPARED WORK FOR FAMILY VACATIONS

Teachers are not obligated to prepare work for students to take with them on family vacations.

Students who miss school for family vacations should be prepared to complete all missing work upon return.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

To be inclusive of all students, parents are asked to invite either all of the girls or boys (or the entire class) to outside birthday parties. If parents are unable to invite such a large group, please only invite one or two guests.

Parents are asked not to distribute birthday invitations in school unless the entire group is being invited to the party.

LUNCH

Parents are asked not to pack lunches with peanut butter or snacks containing peanut butter/treenuts (including but not limited to nutella) due to the number of children with severe peanut and treenut allergies.

Musical Program: Wonka Words and Business Advertising

Our spring musical is just around the corner! Families and friends of cast members have the opportunity to give a shout-out and publish a "Wonka Word" for their talented cast or crew member in the program - see the attached form for details. Shamrock Theatre is also looking for any businesses that may wish to advertise in the program - details also on the form. Send in cash or checks payable to St. Patrick School, ATTN: Drama Advertising.

Spring Musical Program Cover Contest

We are looking for program art for this year's spring musical. Submit your artwork by March 31st to be considered for the cover. Artwork should depict a scene or theme from Willy Wonka and be in color on an 8.5 x 11 inch white paper. Contest is open to all 5th -8th graders and submissions should be dropped off in the science room. Questions should be directed to Mrs. Fecko at jill.fecko@stpatrickadw.org.

Annual Wax Museum

Please join us on Friday, March 31st 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. as a guest at the annual Wax Museum. This great tradition welcomes all parents to tour some of the greatest and most famous Marylanders (4th graders), famous trailblazers from around the world (5th graders), and famous replicas of landmarks/statues/art (6th graders).

Please join us to see our students' great costumes and presentations and please remember it is a museum so shhh!!! The children worked very hard, please refrain from socializing in the St. Patrick's Wax Museum. The wax museum will be held in the gym this year.

Please enter the wax museum (gym) by way of the side doors that face the school building.

March Service Project

With kindergarten's help the 4th grade continues to prepare 200 bagged lunches for the men utilizing the services from the Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless Emergency Shelter. The schedule to support by sending in apples or oranges is as follows. Thank you in advance for your support.

March 23: Grades Pre-K and 1

March 30: Grades 2, 3, and 8

Hot Lunch Help Through June

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COE4AAEAF2DA1FDCF8-stpatricks1>

Please scroll down!

Roomparents for the 2023-2024 SY

We are beginning to search for volunteers for next school year. If you are interested in helping by being a roomparent, please reach out to Mr. George Wahl thosewahls@gmail.com. Thank you!

Yearbook Photos

We want to be sure all students are included in the yearbook. Please send in your photos to Miss Short. If you have a lot of photos, please send a thumb drive via Mrs. Ali or upload them to our shared picture drive using the link below. Thank you!

St. Patrick's Fun Run- THIS Saturday, March 25th

Thank you to all who have registered for this year's 5K and Fun Run. As always, there will be a 5k course through the Flower Valley neighborhood, and a Fun Run course on the parish grounds for the young runners. **The 5K Run will start at 8:30**

The Fun Run will start at 8:45

Coffee, doughnuts, water and fruit will be available after the race. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday morning!

**It is not too late to sign up!

Register Now: <https://one.bidpal.net/funrun2023/welcome>

Admission is FREE, but registration is required. Participants will receive a St Pats 5k Sports Water Bottle with registration! At this point there are more registered runners than bottles, so bottles will be handed out on first come, first served basis.

**Run and raise money for earthquake relief efforts in Turkey and Syria. Funds raised will go to Samaritan's Purse to benefit the incredible work they are doing in Turkey. A pledge form is attached here. Please encourage the student runners to get pledges (just \$5) for completing either race. They will be running for a very worthy cause and every dollar raised will go directly to help earthquake victims. You may also donate when you register for the race. Read more about Samaritan's Purse here: <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/our-ministry/turkey-earthquake-response/>

**Not Running? Please Volunteer! We will need help with set-up, registration and clean-up, and especially several volunteers along the race course. Please volunteer if you can <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4dadad23a3fe3-stpatricks2#/>

Trivia Night- Tickets on Sale Now

Please join us on Saturday, April 1st at 7pm for an evening of food, drinks, friends, and an opportunity to share your love of useless knowledge! Gather your teams of 8 now! Don't have a team of 8? No problem, we can pair you with other parents. See the attached flyer and register here: <https://one.bidpal.net/stpatstrivia23> Questions? E-mail Brittany.duignan@gmail.com

To create your team roster for Trivia Night, follow these steps:

Purchase Tickets- select NEXT

Set your name and spouses' name if applicable

Select GREEN "set seating preference" Either create a new table name (if you are the first member of the team to register) OR search for your team name and add yourself/spouse. select NEXT

Complete transaction by purchasing ticket

Field Day

Our annual Field Day will be held on Friday, May 26th. Thanks to our HSA and fundraising efforts, students will be given a field day t-shirt to wear with their St. Patrick's gym shorts. Please see the attached order form to help us make sure that your child gets the best size for him/her. Please return all order forms by Wednesday, April 5th.

Covid Tests

We received another shipment of Covid tests and now have more than we will ever need! To get ahead of expiring tests we are going to send kits home with the oldest child in each family as we leave for the Easter holiday.

The Upcoming Weeks:

Friday, March 24 th	Noon Dismissal; End of the 3 rd Quarter; Aftercare Available until 6:00 p.m.
Friday, March 31 st	Report Card Distribution Wax Museum for students in grades 4-6 Stations of the Cross at 2:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 1 st	Trivia Night 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 6 th	Noon Dismissal; Aftercare Available until 6:00 p.m. Easter Holiday Begins!
Friday, April 7 th -Friday, April 14 th	No School