



# **ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

## **NEWSLETTER**

**1.20.22**

**SPRING RAFFLE:** Tickets for the \$20,000 grand prize spring raffle should be in your child's book bag today or Friday. The mass ticket mailing will also hit mailboxes by Monday. Each ticket you sell will count for ONE Booster Club credit hour. If you sell 20 tickets, you will receive the \$250 tuition credit! We are also in need of items for the online auction. If your place of business is willing and able to donate items, that would be great! Have a crafty or creative friend or relative? See if they can make something to donate. Know someone that is always willing to give to a good cause? Monetary donations are welcomed and used to purchase additional auction items. We are looking forward to another successful auction and raffle on March 5!

**TAX STATEMENTS:** Annual statements for 2021 went home on Tuesday in white envelopes. Please let the office know if you need another copy.

**PEP RALLY:** Boys and girls basketball players will head over to OGS Friday afternoon for a pep rally prior to boys basketball regionals. Good luck to our student athletes!

**PURPLE COMFY DAY:** Next Tuesday the 25th, we will have a PURPLE COMFY DAY to raise money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. This cause is very near and dear to our hearts at St. Paul! To help raise awareness and money for our friends with CF, if you bring in any monetary donation, you can have a PURPLE comfy day!

**HALF DAY:** This coming Wednesday the 26th is an 11:30 early dismissal as teachers have a Diocesan training session. There will be NO OGS dismissal bus, but St. Paul buses will run at 11:30.

**CSW:** The Catholic Schools Week schedule is attached. Get ready to celebrate our wonderful school family and Catholic education the week of January 30!

**SCREENINGS:** A representative from the Livingston County Health Department will be in on Monday, January 31 to perform annual vision and hearing screenings. Vision screenings will be done, as mandated, for the following children: Pre-K, Kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. In addition, special needs students, teacher referrals, and transfer students during the 2021/2022 school year will also be screened. Vision screenings are not a substitute for a complete eye and vision evaluation by an eye doctor. Your child is not required to undergo this vision screening if an optometrist or ophthalmologist has completed and signed a form indicating that an examination has been administered within the previous 12 months and is on file at the school. Vision screening is not an option. If a vision examination report is not on file at school for your child, your child in the mandated age, grade, or group will be screened. Hearing screenings will be performed on students in Pre-K through 3rd grades.

**PIZZA!:** The results are in! In first place with 102 pizzas sold - the Eggenberger's. Second place - the Tjelle's with 96, and third place goes to the Sturms' with 83 pizzas sold. Great job to ALL that bought and sold!

**MENU:** Please bear with us as some days, the menu may have to change at the last minute. Rest assured, your children will ALWAYS have something to eat for lunch. :)

**CURRENT GUIDELINES:** We have adopted the new CDC guidance which reduces quarantine times for positive COVID cases and close contacts. HOWEVER, this guidance is not black and white, and return times may vary case by case. The overall guidance is below. Some portions have been adapted slightly.

- Students or Staff that test POSITIVE -

- Isolate for at least 5 days from the onset of symptoms. The symptom start date is "Day 0". If a student was asymptomatic, "Day 0" is the day the positive sample was taken.
- May return to school if symptoms have resolved after **7 calendar days** OR after 5 calendar days with a negative rapid test, a doctor's note, or health department release.
- **MUST** continue to wear a well fitting mask from days 5-10 (which is the case at school regardless)
- Students will be moved 6 feet apart from their peers when masks need to be removed at lunch time or at nap time.

- Students or Staff that are CLOSE CONTACTS -

- Quarantine for 5 days **AFTER** last exposure to positive case - The date of your last exposure is "Day 0".
- May return to school after 5 days if **NO** symptoms have developed
- **MUST** continue to wear a well fitting mask from days 5-10 (which is the case at school regardless)
- Students will be moved 6 feet apart from their peers when masks need to be removed at lunch time or at nap time.

Students and staff that are fully vaccinated **DO NOT** need to quarantine if they are a close contact to a positive case **UNLESS** they develop symptoms.

Again return times may vary case by case. **You will be given your return date by the St. Paul School office.**

**TESTS:** Beginning this week, families can request to be sent four free COVID tests from the federal government. Please visit [www.covidtests.gov](http://www.covidtests.gov) for more information.

**UPCOMING ST. PAUL CALENDAR:**

- ✠ Wednesday, January 26..... 11:30 Early Dismissal
- ✠ Sunday, January 30..... Stewardship Mass @ St. Paul
- ✠ Monday, January 31..... Vision & Hearing Screenings
- ✠ January 31 - February 4..... Catholic Schools Week
- ✠ Friday, February 4..... 11:30 Early Dismissal