



ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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MASKING: With the Diocesan decision to make masks optional at school, thereby removing a COVID-19 prevention layer, social distancing will now be more important than ever. Though masks are no longer required, there are times your child will be asked to wear one for a short time at school if the proper social distancing can't be enforced. For example:

- If your child is working one-on-one with their teacher, they will be asked to wear a mask during that time.
- If students are doing group work or projects that require they be in close quarters, they will be asked to wear a mask during those times.
- Students that are returning to school after their five day quarantine (positive case or close contacts) must wear a mask through their tenth day. If they chose not to do so, then they must stay home until their full ten day quarantine is over.
- Students on buses are required by law to wear masks.

****If you would like your child to stay masked throughout the school day, please let the office or your child's teacher know.**

Unfortunately COVID-19 has not gone away, and we must continue our efforts at school to keep our students, faculty, and staff safe and healthy. We ask for your continued patience through ever-changing policies that are handed down to us and that students, families, faculty, and staff continue to be respectful of each other.

COMFY DAY: In honor of St. Valentine, we will have a RED (or pink) comfy day this Monday, February 14. Teachers in grades PreK-4 have sent home notes regarding individual classroom festivities.

NO SCHOOL: There will be no school Friday, February 18 or Monday the 21st. Enjoy the long weekend!

RAFFLE/AUCTION: We are just THREE weeks away from our big spring raffle! Please do your best to keep moving tickets. Any auction items being donated are due by **Tuesday, February 22**. Thank you!

SCHOLARSHIPS: We strongly encourage families to take advantage of the scholarship programs the Diocese of Peoria has to offer - the John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship and the Empower Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship. Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are open now! Please visit www.cdop.org for more information and to apply.

PIZZA: The pizza delivery is tentatively set for Monday, February 28, with pick up at dismissal. The company has had to deal with trucking issues so we'll send out a confirmation message prior to the 28th.

UPDATE FROM MRS. JOSEFIK'S ROOM: The fifth/sixth grades will be learning about the judges in religion class and are working hard in math and science. The fifth grade can add and subtract fractions like pros. The sixth grade is learning about integers and will begin doing operations with them. They are studying genetics in science. The seventh/eighth grade is finishing up a cool science experiment with an egg and learning about diffusion and osmosis. They are also solving inequalities in math. We have begun our class project for the auction coming up. We thank you for all your support for our largest fund raiser.

UPCOMING ST. PAUL CALENDAR:

✠ Monday, February 14.....	Vision & Hearing Re-Screens
✠ Wednesday, February 16.....	School Mass at 10 a.m.
✠ Friday, February 18.....	No School
✠ Monday, February 21.....	No School - Presidents' Day
✠ Tuesday, February 22.....	Auction Items Due
✠ Sunday, February 27.....	Stewardship Mass at St. Paul