

Irish Messenger

"Be Merciful, Kind, and Respectful to All You Meet Each Day"

September 2, 2022

Reminder: There is no school on Monday. Regular Schedule begins Tuesday, September 6 after the Labor Day holiday. Regular Schedule dismissal is as follows: PreK is 3:00, K-4 is 3:10, & 5-8 is 3:15.

Thank You, Parents!

Thank you to all the families that came to Meet the Teacher Night on Monday, August 29! It is good to partner with you all in bringing the school's mission to life. It is going to be a great year.





First Grade Religion

First Grade went outside during Religion class with Sr. Gemma to observe the many gifts God has given us.

"Let the earth bless the Lord, Praise and exalt him above all forever. Everything growing on earth, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever."

- Dn 3:74,76





7th & 8th Grade Prayer Partners

Each Friday the whole school goes to Mass. This includes our preschool students. They sit with their "prayer partners." These 7th & 8th Grade students get to know them

during the year as they pray with and for them













THE MISSION OF ST. PATRICK SCHOOL is to foster the spiritual growth and academic life of its students, faculty, and staff, and to teach children, with the cooperation of parents, a Catholic way of life.

5th Grade Science

Students worked to discover which objects float and which sink.









6th Grade Science

In Science class, students learning about vortices







Spirit Wear Sale

An online Teamworks Store is open where you can purchase St. Patrick Spirit Wear. Check it out by clicking



here. (https://stp-spirit-22.itemorder.com/shop/home/)

The store closes at 11:59pm on Sunday,

September 18.

New Wednesday & Friday Lunch Options

Wednesday/Friday lunch option will begin on Wednesday, September 14th.

Menus are prepared for the month of September and October. You may sign up for all the lunch options at one time or you can do a week at a time. Sign up needs to be completed before 3pm on Friday of the week prior to the serve date. Please remember to sign up for each child that will be eating. Meals come with a drink. You do not need to order a milk in addition to the meal

The cold lunch option is for office use only. This option is used if a student forgets a lunch and is given a lunchable. The student's account will be charged \$5.00 when a lunchable is given.

Please keep a credit balance on your family lunch account of more than \$5.00. If your balance gets down to \$5.00, you will receive an email on Sundays reminding you to add money to your account. You may add money by sending a check to school or through your RenWeb account.



Lunch Ordering Directions

- 1. Log into your Parents RenWeb account - District code = SPS-IL
- 2. Click Student Click Lunch Select the name of the student.
- 3. Click create web order Scroll to the date of the lunch you are signing up for Put a 1 in the quantity. Make sure to click order items.

Go back to the top of the page and repeat steps 2-3 for each student.

"Reverence, Respect, Responsibility...

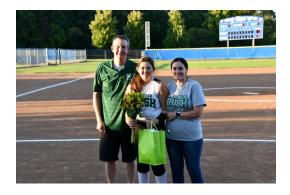
Excellence in Academics and in Faith Formation"

Softball — 8th Grade Night

The St. Patrick's softball team played under the lights this week at ICC. It was also 8th Grade Night for our Lady Irish.









Cross Country

The cross country team ran at two meets this past week. They ran the Panther Invite and the Metamora Grade School Home Meet. Their next meet will be the City Meet on

Thursday, September 8 at 4:15. Come cheer

on the Irish!





Virtue = Strength

Book Drive - Thank You

Thank you to all the families that donated to our book drive and sent us gifts from our wish list. We have a great amount of books getting added to our shelves! Students will get to start checking out books next week. If you would still like to help our growing library please consider donating something from our Amazon Wish List which includes books, stickers, pencils, and other reading rewards. Thank you for all you continue to do for our school!









Important Dates

SEPT 5 MON - Labor Day; No School SEPT 6 TUE - Regular Schedule begins -8:00 - 3:15pm

SEPT 6 TUE - Baseball @ Home vs. Washburn - 4:30pm

SEPT 6 TUE - Softball vs. Georgetown @ Marquette Heights Fields - 4:30pm

SEPT 7 WED - Softball Regionals Begin

SEPT 7 WED - Baseball @ Bartonville-Monroe - 4:15pm

SEPT 8 THU - Cross Country @ Washington Middle School—4:15pm

SEPT 8 THU - Baseball @ Home vs. Roanoke-Benson - 4:30pm

SEPT 9 FRI - Baseball @ Morton Union - 4:15pm

SEPT 23 FRI - Preschool-8th Grade: Early Dismissal @ 11:30am; No After-Care; No Afternoon Preschool; WCHS Homecoming Parade

OCT 6 THU - Grades K-8: Early Dismissal @ 11:30am: Teacher In-Service; No After-Care

OCT 6 THU - Preschool - in session as normal: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; No After-Care

The virtue of FAITH is a gift from Eod, placed or infused in our souls at Baptism, that gives us the strength to believe in God and everything that His Holy Catholic Church teaches us. What Is Faith? with Fr. James Brent, O.P. (Aquinas

What Is Faith? with Fr. James Brent, O.P. (Aquinas 101) Click <u>here</u> to watch a video about what Faith is.





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St. Patrick School 2022-2023 Calendar

Calendar as of 8/18/22 - Subject to Revision

Aug. 2	Tues.	Prep Day; 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the gym
Aug. 5	Fri.	Back to School Pool Party for all students and families PreK-8; 6:00-8:00 p.m.
,		PreK-K Back to School Picnic; Oakwood Park; 4:30-6:00 p.m.
Aug. 10-12, 15	WedFri Mon.	
Aug. 15	Mon.	Feast of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven
		First School Day for Kindergarten and 1st Grade:
		Last Names Beginning with A-L 9:00-10:00 am
		Last Names Beginning with M-Z 10:30-11:30 am
Aug. 16	Tues.	First Day of School for K-8; 11:30 a.m. Early Dismissal; Teacher In-Service
Aug 17-18	WedThurs.	Preschool Unpack Back Packs – Sign-up Genius to be sent out in August
Aug. 22	Mon.	Preschool Program Begins
Aug. 29	Mon.	Meet the Teacher Night 6:00-8:00 p.m. beginning in Sr. Mary Ann Gym
Sept. 5	Mon.	Labor Day; No School
Sept. 23	Fri.	Preschool-8 th Grade – Early Dismissal 11:30 a.m. – WCHS Homecoming Parade; No After-Care
Sept. 23	Fri.	No Afternoon Preschool – Dismissal 11:30 a.m. – WCHS Homecoming Parade; No After-Care
Oct. 6	Thurs.	Early Dismissal 11:30 a.m. for Grades K-8 – Teacher In-Service; No After-Care
Oct. 6	Thurs.	Preschool will be in session as normal from 8:00 a.m3:00 p.m.; No After-Care
Oct. 7	Fri.	Region I Faculty In-Service; No School
Oct. 13	Thurs.	Picture Day
Oct. 20	Thurs.	11:30 a.m. Early Dismissal; Parent-Faculty Conferences
Oct. 21	Fri.	Parent-Faculty Conferences; No School
Nov. 1	Tues.	All-Saints Day – All School Mass; 1st Grade Saints Presentation
Nov. 16	Wed.	Picture Re-Take Day
Nov. 22	Tues.	Thanksgiving Break Begins; 2:00 p.m. Dismissal; No Extended Care after school
Nov. 23-27	WedSun.	Thanksgiving Break; No School
Nov. 28	Mon.	School Resumes
Dec. 8	Thurs.	Feast of the Immaculate Conception – All School Mass
Dec. 19	Mon.	Christmas Program at Five Points
Dec. 20	Tues.	Christmas Break Begins; 11:30 a.m. Dismissal; Faculty/Staff Christmas Party
Dec. 21	Wed.	<u>Christmas Break</u> ; No School
Dec. 25	Sat.	Christmas Day
Jan. 5	Thurs.	School Resumes
Jan. 16	Mon.	Dr. Martin Luther King Day; No School
Jan. 26-27	ThurFri.	Preschool Conferences; No Preschool
Jan. 30-Feb. 4		Catholic Schools Week
Feb. 20	Mon.	Presidents' Day; No School
Feb. 22	Wed.	Ash Wednesday – All School Mass
Mar. 10	Fri.	Region I Faculty In-Service; No School
Mar. 17	Fri.	St. Patrick Day; No School this year
Apr. 3-Apr. 10		<u>Easter Break</u>
Apr. 7	Fri.	Good Friday; No School
Apr. 9	Sun.	Easter
Apr. 10	Mon.	No School
Apr. 11	Tues.	School Resumes
May 12-13	FriSat.	State Track Meet; No School (Fri., May 12); Tentative
May 19	Fri.	Graduation; 6:00 p.m. – Tentative
May 26	Fri.	Tentative Last Day of School; 11:30 a.m. Dismissal
May 29	Mon.	Memorial Day; No School
May 30-June 5		Emergency Days and Tentative Last Day of School to be Determined (Please Do Not schedule
		vacations during this time).
Please Note:		Grades K-8 only: August 17 to September 2 with a 2:00 p.m. Early Dismissal. Extended Care will
be available. (Preschool will meet on their regular schedule).		
Regular Schedule: Preschool 8:15 a.m11:00 a.m. Morning Classes and Preschool 8:15 a.m3:00 p.m. Full day		

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Grades K-4 – <u>8:00 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.</u> -- **Grades 5-8** – <u>8:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.</u>

In-Person Learning Only: St. Patrick School will be offering In-Person Learning only for the 2022-2023 school year. There will be no options offered for semester or full year remote learning for 2022-2023 school year.

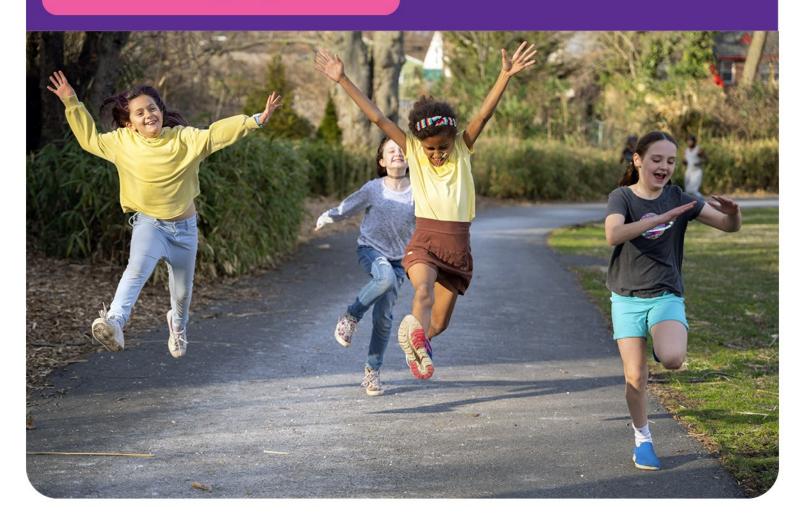
 $\underline{\textit{Vacations:}} \ \ \textit{Please} \ \underline{\textit{schedule vacations during school breaks and long weekends}} \ \\ \textit{rather than during student attendance days.}$

Taking vacations outside of school breaks is extremely disruptive to the learning environment. Students, families, faculty, and staff taking vacations are subject to current regulations from CDC, IDPH, OCS, and ISBE directives regarding returning to in-school classes.

Totally fun.

Totally you.

Imagine it—you and your forever friends. Dreaming up adventures. Making the whole world sparkle with your own personal brand of magic.



You're invited! Come see what Girl Scouts is all about!

Where: Faith Lutheran Church (in pavilion weather-permitting, or in church basement)

When: Thursday, September 8th from 6:00-7:00pm

Questions? Contact Emma Benjamin @ (217) 372-5385 or

ebenjamin@girlscouts-gsci.org



Get a free activity guide made just for you.



Be a Girl Scout.

I am interested in Girl Scouts!

Fill out the info below, snap a picture and text to 217-372-5385!

Girl's Name: _____ Grade in Fall 2022:_____

School: Parent's Name: Email:

_____ Phone #: _____

Girl Scouts are confident—even in the face of challenges. They're kind, even when others aren't. They're problem solvers who see opportunity where others get stuck.

Essentially, a Girl Scout is your kid at their best.

We're here with your family to support:





Her Dreams

Right now, Girl Scouts are learning about robots, hiking, dancing, painting murals, feeding the hungry, and even writing laws to change the world. If she can dream it, we'll help her do it.



Her Growth

Girl Scouts focus on their potential rather than perfection. They try new things, knowing they'll be accepted by their sister Girl Scouts for exactly who they are today and who they can be tomorrow.



Her Success

Girl Scouts are all about collaboration, not competition. Meeting goals and celebrating wins as a team doesn't just feel great, it teaches them to work well with others, which will take them far in life.