

Reverence, Respect, Responsibility...What starts here can change the world.



We are off to a very hot, but successful start to the school year. It is wonderful to see so many familiar faces and to meet our new students and teachers! We look forward to continuing to live out the mission of St. Patrick school each and every day. It is the people and families that make this such a wonderful parish and school community. Please continue to remember our students, faculty, staff and families in your prayers throughout the year.







Kindergarten - 8th Grade Parents Monday, August 28, 2023 6:00 PM | St. Patrick School



Recent Events



We kicked the year off with an all school assembly led by our new principal, Mrs. Smith, and Father John.



The Junior High assembled a rosary on the wall of the Sr. Mary Ann Gym.



Blessed Is She hosted their annual gathering to pray the rosary for all of our parish students.



Junior High students pulled weeds in the preschool play yard.





5th & 6th grade students played traditional backyard games during PE.

5th grade tested the hypothesis answering the question "How tall can we build a marshmallow tower?"



7th and 8th graders shared donuts with their preschool prayer partners!





VIRTUE=STRENGTH.

INSPIRE. ENGAGE. STRENGTHEN.

Current Virtue

DISCIPLINE

The strength to be in control of oneself while learning a skill.

leads to HABITS

lead to CONSISTENCY

CONSISTENCY leads to GROWTH

"Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishments."

- St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta





DEDICATION

Lord, we thank You for the wonderful gift of our Blessed Mother Mary.

She was so DEDICATED to You and to all of us.

She is a wonderful Mother, our Spiritual Mother in Heaven.

May we love her as You loved her.

Amen.



IRISH Athletics

Our Irish sports teams are back in action! Boys Baseball, Cross Country and Girls Softball are all underway. Check out Upcoming Dates to come out and cheer on our Irish athletes.





Softball is off to a strong start and is currently 10 and 1.





Baseball opened the season against Metamora on August 10.





RUNNING IRISH XC



The cross country team started off the season with a Mother-Child Jersey ceremony followed by their first meet of the year - the Hokum Karem Relay Meet hosted by St Jude. Each pair of Irish runners passed off a baton to their partner, running a total of 3 miles.

Last week the running Irish ran their first "real" cross-country race at the HUGE Tom Koonce Invite, consisting of over twenty teams, with each athlete running their own 2-mile race!

Hokum Karem Relay Girls

Sadie G & Isla C placed 12th out of 72 relay teams!!!

Hokum Karem Relay Boys

Jayce H & Traver S placed 22nd out of 89 teams and took 3 MINUTES off of last year's time!!!

Tom Koonce Invite Girls

Abby H ran 50 seconds faster than her previous personal best!

Tom Koonce Invite Boys

Jayce H ran exactly a 1 minute PR and moved up to #11 on the all-time St Pat's Boys XC list!



UP NEXT...

(24 TEAM) Michelle Stewart Invite

@ Three Sisters Park

Saturday, August 26th, 9AM

(18 TEAM) PANTHER Invite

@ Washington Park Tuesday, August 29th, 4:15PM









Cross Country Spotlight





Upcoming Dates

Save the Pate



JOIN US for the first Parent Ministry gathering of the 2023/24 school year!

Thursday, September 14 @ 6pm

> Find us downstairs in the Social Room!



Hawaiian Day September 8, 2023



Dress in your brightly colored clothes for a special

Hawaiian Day to raise money for

Sacred Hearts School in Lahaina, Hawaii.

Their Catholic school was severely damaged in the recent wildfires.



Recommended Donation: at least \$1.00/Student









SPIRIT TUESDAYS

Every Tuesday we show our Irish pride!

STUDENTS CAN WEAR SPIRIT WEAR TOPS WITH UNIFORM



Upcoming Dates	
8/26/23	Cross Country Michelle Stewart Invite at IVC
8/26/23	Softball @ Peoria Christian
8/23/23	Baseball @ Peoria Heights
8/28/23	Softball vs. Eureka @ Home
8/29/23	Softball @ St. Mary's Metamora
8/28/23	Meet the Teacher @ St. Patrick School
8/29/23	Cross Country Panther Invite @ Washington Park
8/30/23	Softball vs. Peoria Irish Co-op @ Home
8/31/23	Cross Country Mini-Illini Invite @ Mineral Springs Park
8/31/23	Softball vs. Robein @ Home
9/4/23	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
9/5/23	Cross Country vs Metamora @ Black Partridge Park
9/5/23	Softball vs. Georgetown @ Home
9/7/23	Cross Country City Meet @ Washington Park

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.





(For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology)

FIRST® LEGO League is an alliance between

FIRST® & the LEGO® Group

2023/2024 Theme

FIRST® LEGO League challenges kids to think like scientists and engineers. This program inspires young people to experiment and grow their confidence, critical thinking, and design skills through hands-on learning. In 2023/2024 FIRST® LEGO League's MASTERPIECESM, participants will learn about how we share our own hobbies and interests while learning about experts in museums, theaters, and other creative fields.

Teams will choose and solve a real-world problem in the Project. They will also build, test, and program an autonomous robot using LEGO* SPIKETM Prime technology to solve a set of missions in the Robot Game. Throughout their experience, teams will operate under the FIRST* LEGO League signature set of Core Values, celebrating discovery, teamwork, and Gracious Professionalism*.



Do you love LEGOs? Do you want to learn how to build and program a robot? Do you want to have fun while learning? JOIN FIRST LEGO LEAGUE at St. Pats!

Who?: St. Patrick students in grades 5-8

When?: Starting in mid-August through January

Coach Contact: Matt Rademacher (309-256-7493, mrademac@aol.com)

If interested or have any question lease contact Matt Rademacher or come to our first meeting on Sunday, A sust 20th 14-5 In the Social Room





The Pantherette dancers will be hosting a clinic at Washington High School. We would like to invite you to learn a routine with the Pantherettes and to be a part of a dance performance at a fall football game!

The Clinic:

When: Sunday, September 10th

Arrive Between 1:15-1:30 pm, clinic from 1:30-4:30 pm

Where: Washington High School

What to wear: An outfit that allows easy mobility

The Performance:

When: Friday, September 15th - Arrive Between 5:45-6:00 pm

(The performance will be held at the football game, and will take place between the Freshmen Football Game and the Varsity Football Game—approximately sometime between 6:30 and 7:15 pm.)

Where to drop off: Washington High School multi-purpose room

(The clinic dancers will walk over to the field with the Pantherettes.)

Where to pick up: The gate to the track (near the tennis courts), leading onto the football field

(Young dancers will not be permitted to leave unless there is a parent present to pick them up.)

What to Wear: An outfit that allows easy mobility & your Dance Clinic T-shirt

The Price: \$35 (This price includes 2.5 hours of dance instruction, a T-shirt designed by the Pantherettes, a snack, a goody bag, & 2 football game tickets)

Additional Information:

- A snack will be provided mid-session, but dancers may want to bring water bottles labeled with their names. Also if clinic dancers have a food allergy, please be sure to include that information in your sign-up.
- If parents would like to see a sample of what the dancers will perform, you may come to the Torry Gym at Washington High School at 4:15 pm: doors will not open until 4:05 pm. After all performances, at approximately 4:30 pm, parents can pick up dancers by age group. After picking up their child, they should head to the MPR for their goody bag with football tickets.
- Clinic T-shirts can be picked up upon arrival at the performance.
- If you are unable to make the performance, clinic T-shirts can be picked up from the front office of the high school beginning Tuesday, September 19th.

Registration Options:

- Online You may also access the link by going to <u>www.wacohi.net</u>, choosing "web store" on the left hand side, "activities",
 "Pantherette Clinic Online registration ends August 31st
- Drop Off Registration Fill out the attached form, write a check to Washington Pantherettes and drop off at the front
 office of the high school in an envelope, labeled Lauren Metz or Pantherettes. Drop-off forms must be received by August 31st
- Mail-in Registration Fill out the attached form, write a check to Washington Pantherettes, and mail to:

Washington High School Pantherettes

C/O Lauren Metz

115 Bondurant Street

Washington, IL 61571 Mail-in forms must be received by August 31st

Walk-in Registration- Arrive at the high school by 1:15 pm where forms will be available to fill out. You may write the
check there. Walk-in Registrants are not guaranteed a shirt or goody bag.

Please do not turn registration forms into your elementary school office.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Coach Lauren Metz at ljmetz@wacohi net or ask a Pantherette dancer!

Pantherette "Paper" Clinic Registration Form

Please legibly print all information! Information: Student's Name: _____ (first and last name) Grade: School currently attending: T-shirt size (please circle one): child medium child large child small child extra large adult small adult medium adult large adult extra large In the space provided, please list any important information about this student (medical/allergies/etc...) that you think we should know for the clinic or the performance: **Emergency Information:** Guardian's Name: (first and last name) Primary Contact #: _____ Secondary Contact #: Email address: (Should you wish to attend the clinic again, we will use this email address to notify you of next year's information. Additionally, if there is a weather concern on the performance night, we will send out an email.) **Guardian Permission** I give my permission to allow my child to participate in the Pantherette Dance Clinic and performance. I understand that the Pantherettes and their parents will do their very best to watch my child and provide a rewarding experience, but the Pantherettes are not liable for any injury that should occur. Guardian name (print) Guardian Signature Date