



October 11, 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, October 12

School Advisory Commission Meeting
7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 17

Confirmation Sponsor & Candidate Meeting
7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 19

Picture Retakes

Parent Teacher Conferences
3:30—8:00 p.m.

Friday, October 20

No School
Teacher In Service

Monday, October 23

No School

Tuesday, October 24

3rd Grade Field Trip
Aranoff Trip

Tuesday, October 31

Halloween Parade—1:20 p.m.
Halloween Parties—2:10 p.m.

Wednesday, November 1

All Saints Day

Friday, November 3

Christian Service Spirit Day

4th Grade Field Trip

Green Acres

7th Grade Photography Class
Field Trip—Cincinnati Zoo

WEDNESDAY ENVELOPE CONTENTS

- [PTO Pizza Kit Fundraising Announcement Flyer](#)- youngest student only
- Math Mania Out of Uniform Passes—students that qualified
- Literary Magazine Flyer—youngest student only
- Lego Club Flyer—6th grade only

ST. JAMES SCHOOL

NEW INFORMATION

A Message from the Principal

Thank you to all of the students and families who participated in the PTO Math Mania this year! Together you raised over \$7,000! I cannot tell you how important these funds are to the work of the PTO and the impact they have on our children's education. I am grateful for the opportunities these provide.

Tonight we begin the first of two nights of parent-teacher conferences. Our staff is committed to partnering with our parents to serve our students in the best ways possible. On a daily basis I marvel at their passion and care for our kids. As you meet with teachers, please know that they are here to help your child reach success. I hope these meetings provide you with a glimpse into their progress so far this year and prove to be helpful in knowing how best to support them as the year continues. And, I'd like to publicly thank the staff for the extra time they put in to prepare for these conferences.

Thank you and God bless,
Jeff Fulmer
Principal

Picture Re-Take Day

Picture re-take day is scheduled for Thursday, October 19, 2017. If your child(ren) was absent on picture day in September, order forms will be in the Wednesday Envelope. If you are having a picture re-taken, please send in the original picture packet, and Lifetouch will retake the same package. Students can be dressed in their picture outfit upon arrival to school, but must bring their uniform with them to change into after their picture has been taken.

AR Announcement

Renaissance Learning has discontinued the Accelerated Reader App. If you have installed this application on your phone or tablet, it may appear to work until your next update, but it is no longer supported by Accelerated Reader or Renaissance Learning.

Book Fair

The Book Fair will be open during conferences tonight (October 11) until 8:00 p.m. It will NOT be open at all on Thursday or Friday. Thanks for your support of the Book Fair!

REMINDERS

8th Grade Release of Records Authorization

8th grade parents: Please remember to complete the Release of Records Authorization form and return to school by November 1. This will allow us to send records to high schools for the admissions process.

[Release of Records Authorization](#)

Halloween at St. James

To celebrate Halloween this year, we are inviting ALL of our students K-8 to dress up during the school day! In order to keep this as a fun new tradition for our kids, we ask that you follow the guidelines below.

- Students can choose to wear something black and orange if they do not want to dress up for the day or wear their school uniform as normal.
- Students in grades K-2 can come to school in costume, uniform, or in black and orange. However, if they choose not to come in costume, they will have the opportunity to change before the afternoon parade. If your child will not enjoy being in costume all day, you may want to consider sending them in uniform or in black and orange. If they do choose to come in costume in the morning, it would also be wise to send them with another option in case they get bothered by their costume. You know your kid best when it comes to these things!
- No face painting or hair coloring is allowed.
- Costumes need to be school appropriate. Costumes should be modest and should not be too graphic, gory, or scary. Parents will be called if we deem a costume inappropriate.
- Students in 3-8 will be wearing costumes all day if they choose to come in costume. Be sure it is something comfortable and can be worn while seated in a desk.
- Additionally we would suggest leaving costume accessories at home and keep them special for trick or treat night (ie. swords).
- All students should wear gym shoes with their costumes, not only for safety reasons inside the school building, but also for recess and gym.

Please contact us if you have any questions. Thank you for helping us make this a great day for our kids!

Happy Halloween Parade – Mark Your Calendars

For Halloween this year, our kindergarten, first, and second grade students will once again be dressing up in their costumes and parading through the school. Part of the parade route will include a section for parents, younger siblings, and grandparents. Save the date for October 31 to join us for the Halloween Parade! Parents and family members are invited to line the parade route along the drive behind St. James School (near the cemetery). The parade will begin at 1:20, so plan on arriving in time to see all of our ghosts and goblins walk through. More information will be coming home this month from those primary grade teachers on all of the specifics of the day, but we wanted to make you aware of this opportunity so that you can arrange your schedule for the day. Happy Halloween!

CAFETERIA

NEW INFORMATION

Menu Alert

We have two great options for lunch on Thursday and Friday. We will be serving meatball hoagies on Thursday and on Friday is the ever popular chicken pattie on a bun! Plan on buying on one (or both) days to enjoy these favorites.

The Week Ahead

Thursday, 10/12—A & B—Meatball Hoagie; Sides—Macaroni and Cheese, Celery with Dip, Mandarin Oranges, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

Friday, 10/13—A & B—Chicken Pattie on a Bun; Sides—Yogurt with Blueberries, Carrots with Dip, Fresh Fruit, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

Monday, 10/16—A & B—Plain Bagel with Butter or Grape Jelly; Sides—Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Cucumbers with Dip, Vanilla Yogurt, Peaches, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

Tuesday, 10/17—A & B—Chicken Drumsticks; Sides—Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Pineapple, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

Wednesday, 10/18—A—Cheese Pizza; B—Pepperoni Pizza; Sides—French Fries, Side Salad, Chick Pea Crunchies, Mandarin Oranges, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

REMINDERS

October Menu

Please see the link below for the October menu.

[October Menu](#)

October Volunteers

Please see the link below for the volunteer schedule for October.

[October Volunteer Schedule](#)

PTO

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS

October

- 12—Little Caesars Pizza Orders Due
- 13—Ladies' Night Out
- 19—Little Caesars Pizza Pick up – during conferences
- 19—Picture re-takes
- 19—Math Mania Out of Uniform
- 31—Halloween Room Parties and K-2 Parade

November

- 3-4—Rummage Sale
- 10—6th Grade Grandparent/Special Friend Breakfast

NEW INFORMATION

Ladies Night Out is THIS FRIDAY!

Friday, October 13th 7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. Get a head start on your Christmas shopping with the private shopping experience with more than 30 vendors. There will be raffles, split-the-pot, snacks, beer, wine, and cocktails available (bring cash). Cost is \$3 at the door which is good for one raffle ticket. All proceeds go to the St. James PTO. See you all Friday!

[Ladies Night Out Flyer](#)

Dine IN to Donate – Little Caesars Pizza Kits – ORDERS DUE TOMORROW

One of the yummiest deals ever! It is so easy to support the dine to donate program this month. Simply place your order, pick it up (location TBD), and enjoy at home over the long weekend. See insert in today's Wednesday Envelope for more details.

[PTO Pizza Kit Fundraising Announcement Flyer](#)

Math Mania

If your child completed their Math Mania packet AND raised at least \$25 or participated in "Opt Out", they should have received a coupon in their Wednesday Envelope this week to be out of uniform on October 19th. If you think your child qualified, but did NOT receive their coupon, please contact the PTO via email: stjpto1844@gmail.com.

Spirit Shop

The Spirit Shop will be open during conferences this Wednesday, October 11 from 4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. and Thursday, October 19 from 4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. We will also be open during school hours on Thursday, October 12 and Thursday, October 19 from 8:00 a.m.—9:15 a.m. We will be offering several promotional items, so make sure to stop by to check them out!

REMINDERS

Box Tops

We would like to thank all of the families that have sent in Box Tops thus far! We are well on our way to meeting our goal of \$5,000. Our first submission for the school year is November 1st. Check your expiration dates and continue sending in what you have collected. Remember to include your child's homeroom and/or teacher's name on the outside of the baggie/envelope to ensure their homeroom receives credit. Refer to the list provided to find Box Tops on many products that you may or may not be familiar with.

[Box Top App Flyer](#)

Rummage Sale

The St. James PTO Rummage Sale will be held in the Church Hall on Friday, November 3 from 5:00— 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There will be a \$5.00 bag sale at noon. Please start saving useable clothing, toys, books, household goods, small appliances and miscellaneous items. (Please no large furniture, no curtain rods and only appliances that are in good working order.) Drop off for these items will be in the Church Hall on Wednesday, November 1 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m., Thursday, November 2 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. and Friday, November 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please do not drop items off at any other time, or if there is no one there to accept the items. Call Janice at 385-5850 if you need more information or if you can help setup on Friday morning or clean up on Saturday after the sale. Thank you!

Kroger Rewards

Have you registered your Kroger Plus Card yet? It's not too late! Just register your card once, and St. James will benefit all year long! Enroll your Kroger Plus Card in the new 'Kroger Community Rewards Program' and St. James will earn rewards every time you use your card. It's easy! Log in to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and follow the steps to register your Kroger Rewards card. Don't forget to link your Kroger Plus Card to St. James. (St. James enrollment number is 80087)

[Kroger Rewards](#)

ATHLETIC CLUB

REMINDERS

2017 Girls Panthers Basketball

Registration is open for the 2017 Girls' Basketball Season. You can register on-line by visiting www.stjamespanthers.org. The schedule for open gyms and evaluations is below. Registration will close on Friday, October 6. Registration must be completed to participate in evaluations. Please see the attached flyer more information.

[Girls Basketball Evaluation Information](#)

Thursday October 12th - OPEN GYM	
3rd & 4th	6:00 - 7:00 pm
5th & 6th	7:00 - 8:00 pm
7th & 8th	8:00 - 9:00 pm
Sunday, October 15th - EVALUATIONS	
3rd	1:30 - 3:00 pm
4th	3:00 - 4:30 pm
5th & 6th	4:30 - 6:00 pm
7th & 8th	6:00 - 7:30 pm

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Church Hall Work

For a portion of October, the Church Hall will be closed to remove the flooring in preparation for a face lift coming around Christmas. Because the tiles contain asbestos, a certified company will be removing the tiles and will take all other necessary precautions. This is one of the reasons why the Hall will be closed from anyone entering during this time. The Hall is and has been safe and will be completely safe after the removal and clean up.

St. James Parish Credit Union

There is still time to join Panther Savers. Go to the St. James Parish Credit Union at www.stjpcu.com to join. You can send the filled out application in an envelope through school office. Next Savers day is October 19, 2017.

Mount Notre Dame High School

Mount Notre Dame will be hosting its Open House on Sunday, November 5th from 1-4p.m. Also, they are currently accepting registrations for two of its Junior High Learning Series sessions: Model United Nations Human Rights in Action Simulation (October 14th) and An Introduction to Printmaking (October 21st). Learn more and register at <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/mnd-start-up-junior-high-series>.

[MND Open House](#)

[MND Junior High Learning Series Flyer](#)

Panther Lacrosse

Panthers lacrosse sign-ups will open on October 23, 2017, and is accepting all Cincinnati area grade school and middle school boys from K-8th grade. The program focuses on teaching fundamentals and developing skills through practices and games scheduled against other local US lacrosse teams.

[Panther Lacrosse Flyer](#)

Western Tennis & Fitness Club

Please see the attached flyer for more information regarding junior tennis clinics that are available.

[Western Tennis & Fitness Club](#)

Shadowing Registration is Open

Shadowing is the best way for an 8th grade student to experience a school. You are invited to spend a day at La Salle: walk the halls with a current student, experience the classroom activities, have lunch in the cafeteria, and discover the brotherhood at La Salle. Registration is available online at www.lasallehs.net/admissions

Admission Information Night

La Salle is hosting free and open Admission Information Nights on 10/11/17, 10/18/17, and 10/25/17 in the Media Center. From 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m., Jake Pucci, Director of Admissions, will discuss the application and admissions process as well as general La Salle information. From 8:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Lisa Claypool, Intervention Specialist, will discuss La Salle's intervention and student support service program. No reservations are needed.

Grade School Students Invited to Upcoming Football Game

Lancer Football invites grade school students to attend the game on October 20 at 7:00 p.m. in Lancer Stadium with FREE admission. Wear your red and white to cheer on your Lancers!

Parent Coffee Meetings and Q & A

La Salle's Admission Office is hosting Parent Coffee Meetings Thursday mornings in October from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. on 10/12/17, 10/19/17, and 10/26/17 in the Admission Office. This is a chance for prospective parents to sit down with Jake Pucci, Director of Admissions, and other La Salle administrators to casually talk about La Salle and ask any

questions they may have. Reservations are recommended to ensure that enough refreshments are available for all attending. Please go to lasallehs.net/admissions for more information or to register for the meeting.

Archbishop Moeller High School—Walk About Wednesdays

Parents of students in the Class of 2022 can spend an hour on our campus during a typical Moeller school day. Parents will have the opportunity to walk the halls and observe several classes. Arrive at 7:45 a.m. for coffee and the tour will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will last one hour. The following dates are available: October 25, November 1, 8, 15, 29. Space is limited. We ask that you register at www.Moeller.org if you plan to attend.

Archbishop Moeller High School Special Education Information Session

Tuesday, October 24 Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Moeller Boardroom – Enter through the Main Lobby

During this information session, parents will learn about our outstanding Special Education Support Services program. Our Director of Special Education, Karen Matuszek, will provide an overview of the services we provide students who currently have an IEP, SP, 504 Plan or Accommodation Plan. Dan Aielli '09, freshmen teacher, will share his Moeller experience as both a teacher and a student. You will also hear from current students and parents about the benefits of attending Moeller both academically and socially. Students are welcome to attend. Please bring copies of your son's current ETR and IEP, SP, 504 Plan or Accommodation plan. No need to RSVP.