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From the Halls of St. Paul's

November 4, 2011

Rake and Run a Neighborhood Hit!

Mrs. Lowing's 6th grade class hit the streets on Halloween Day with a few friendly tricks up their sleeves for our local neighbors. Armed with rakes and leaf bags, students spent an hour and a half raking 15 neighborhood lawns and filling 78 large leaf bags. The kids garnered attention for this community service project in the Grand Rapids Press and WZZM 13.

Thank you to Chris Sommerdyke for coordinating the project with Mrs. Lowing and to Dan Tietema who donated a truck to haul the bags of leaves away!

Use links below to view the stories:

<http://www.wzzm13.com/news/article/184326/14/Students-rake-and-run>

http://www.mlive.com/news/grand-rapids/index.ssf/2011/10/st_paul_the_apostle_sixth_grad.html

Office Notes

Thanksgiving Food Drive - Our annual Thanksgiving Food collection starts next week! Please see the attached flier for the suggested items for each grade. Donations can be brought to the classrooms (Nov. 7-11th) and will be given to the parish office to help fill "baskets" for the needy in our community. **Thank you for sharing your blessings!**

Staff Phone Extension and Email List - We have installed a new phone system and a few of the teacher's phone extensions have changed. Attached to the newsletter is a revised staff extension list - please place this updated list in your Parent Student Handbook.

School Picture Retakes / Make-Ups - On Thursday, Nov. 10th at 9:00 am, Geskus will be here to take pictures of any students or staff who did not get pictures taken or would like retakes. A Geskus picture form is attached to newsletter. This is a dress up day for students getting pictures taken only.

Parent / Teacher Conferences - Forms to schedule conferences went home last week (pink paper) and must be returned **no later than Monday, November 7th**. We will do our best to accommodate your time preferences. Conferences are Thursday, Nov. 17th and Monday, Nov. 21st from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm for Pre-K 4yr. thru 8th grade students (we do not hold conferences for Pre-K 3 yr. olds).

Scholastic Book Fair - Book sale runs Nov. 17-27th and will be held during P/T conferences and after the Sunday Liturgies.

We Need Your Pictures! We are looking for digital pictures to update our St. Paul website. If you have any school related photos - sports, field trips, class rooms, etc. please email them to SPApics@stpaul-school.org.

Upcoming Events

Friday, Nov. 4

1st Quarter Ends
Wreath Sale Count Sheets Due
After School Care

Saturday, Nov. 5

Holiday Shopping/Craft Fair
9:00 am - 1:45 pm in Gym

Monday, Nov. 7

2nd Quarter Begins
After School Care

Tuesday, Nov. 8

Hot Lunch Pre-Orders
School Board Mtg. 6:30 pm
After School Care

Wednesday, Nov. 9

Faculty Meeting 3:30 pm
Sports Uniform Turn-In Night
6:15-7:15 pm in Gym
After School Care

Thursday, Nov. 10

Picture Retakes - Geskus
8th Gr. Cookie Dough delivered
Liturgy 8:30 am Gr. 7 w/ 3rd Gr. Choir
Hot Lunch Pre-Orders
After School Care

Friday, Nov. 11

Report Cards Home K-8
Subway Lunch - Pre-Orders
Jr. High Lock-In
After School Care

Jr. High Lock-In Reminder - The 6th Grade Lock-in on Nov. 11th is moving locations from the MAC to **East Hills Athletic Club**.

Wreath Sale - Thank you for your orders! Deliveries begin on November 15th. If you have any questions please contact Denice Pavey at 868-6940 or email dpavey@comcast.net.

Peace, Love, SPAuction 2012 - Friday, February 10th is the St. Paul Auction! Each class will be putting together a Gift Basket for the auction with various themes. Please see the attached note for more information. Collections will begin Nov. 7th. Thank you for your donations! If you have any questions or would like to help out in any way, please contact one of our co-chairs: Ellen Clark - emcclark@comcast.net, Dorothy Cole - dotacole@gmail.com, Jill Lauria - jill_lauria@yahoo.com, Roxanne Maitner - roxanne@maitner.com.

D & W and Family Fare - Shop Oct. 30-Nov. 5 or Nov. 20-26 and use your YES card linked to St. Paul School to earn rebates for our school. See flier for more details on how to sign up! St. Paul school code is: 89886.

St. Paul Ski Club - Forms/Payment due to School Office by November 14th. Refer to Information sent home last week in newsletter.

Casino Party - Join us on **Friday, December 2nd** from 7-11 pm in Damascus Hall (Gym) for a fun night including Texas Hold'Em, 50/50 Raffle, door prizes and more! Admission ticket of \$30 includes 20 gaming chips, appetizers, food from Yesterdog and 1 drink ticket. Proceeds go towards tuition reduction for all SPA students. For more information contact Maureen at 458-4503 or Kathy at 676-0687.

Cougar Sporting News

Uniform Turn-In Day - St. Paul Athletes, please bring your CLEAN uniform to the gym on **Wednesday, Nov. 9th from 6:15-7:15 pm**. Pizza and drinks will be provided for you - we just ask parents to bring a dessert to share! See attached flier.

Congratulations to the St. Paul 7/8th grade football team who took 2nd place in the All Saints Bowl for the league championship against St. Anthony on Wednesday night at West Catholic High School.

Upcoming Sports Schedules - Tuesday, Nov. 8th:

7/8th Volleyball - 7:00 pm @ Holy Spirit

To download SPA Athletic Forms go to:

www.stpaul-school.org/activities/athletic_forms

Scrip News

Scrip-to-Go is available in the School Kitchen window **every day** from 7:30 am until 8:30 am. Some of the more popular giftcards can be purchased right at the window. Other Scrip orders placed and paid for by 8:30 am will be available that afternoon between 2:30 and 3:15 pm. Must have a waiver form signed in order for Scrip to be sent home with student mail carrier. This is a great way to earn rebates towards tuition reduction!

Newsletter Information Link

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Click link below for all newsletter attachments.

http://www.stpaul-school.org/news/from_the_halls_of_st_paul

Saturday, Nov. 12

Junior Choir sings at 5:00 pm

Mass

Happy Birthday Mr. Couture!

Highlights

Safety Duty

GOLD Team is on Safety Duty the week of November 7th

Hot Lunch Menu

Tuesday - Pancakes, Sausage, Yogurt w/Granola, Cin. Apples

Thursday - Penne Pasta w/ Marinara, Texas Toast, Salad Sampling, Brownie

Friday - Subway 4" Ham or Turkey, Chips, Apple Slices, Cookie

Use link below for entire monthly menu / Hot Lunch Order Forms.

www.stpaul-school.org/news/hot_lunch_calendar

Crossing Guard/ Playground Duty

Nov. 7: *Pozza* / Trudeau

Nov. 8: *Cole S/D* / Maley

Nov. 9: *Cole S/D* / Trudeau

Nov. 10: *Embrey* / Maley

Nov. 11: *Embrey* / Trudeau

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