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## From the Halls of St. Paul's

February 17, 2011

### Thought for the Day...

*There is more happiness in giving than in receiving.* (Acts 20:35)

### Office Notes

**Mid Winter Break** - St. Paul will have a half day of school (11:00 am Dismissal) on Thursday, Feb. 17th and **no school** on Friday, Feb. 18th or Monday, Feb. 21st. Teachers are in-service for Smart Bd Training Monday.

**Ice Skating Party** - Home & School Sponsored Skating Party will be held on Thursday, Feb. 17th from 12:30-2:30 pm at Patterson Ice Arena.

**Parent / Teacher Conferences** - *Optional* Conferences will be held on Thursday, February 17th from 3-8:00 pm.

**8th Grade Hot Dog Lunch** - Scheduled for Friday, February 25th. Order Forms (on Gold paper) are due back Tuesday, Feb. 22nd.

**Popsicle Sale** - In honor of President's Day and Washington's Birthday, the 8th grade is holding a Red, White & Blue Popsicle Sale on Wed, Feb. 23rd. Only 50 cents each (no pre-orders necessary). All proceeds go to the 8th Grade class trip to Chicago.

**Catholic Schools Week Collection** - St. Paul students donated 186 pairs of socks, 4 pairs of tights, 51 pairs of gloves/mittens, 2 hats and 1 scarf/headband set. These will be dropped off at *In the Image* for those in need. Thank you for your generosity!

**Kindergarten Candy Cane Sale** - The Kindergartners collected \$135 by selling candy canes this year to be donated to our friends in Haiti.

**St. Paul Alumni in the News** - Congratulations to **Alex Pavey**, current Catholic Central Freshman, who was recently awarded Eagle

### Upcoming Events

#### Thursday, Feb. 17

Half Day School - 11:00 am  
Dismissal

Ice Skating Party 12:30-2:30 @  
Patterson Ice Arena

Optional P/T Conferences from  
3:00 - 8:00 pm

#### Friday, Feb. 18

**NO SCHOOL**

#### Sunday, Feb. 20

Athlete's Mass @11:00 am

#### Monday, Feb. 21

**NO SCHOOL** - Teacher In-  
Service

#### Tuesday, Feb. 22

5th Grade to Symphony @  
DeVos

Regional Spelling Bee - St. Paul  
Gym @4:30-7:00 pm

Hot Lunch Pre-Orders

Scout.

Kudos also to **Mackenzie Hollern** and **Nick Ellis** (seniors at CC) who were on Sno-Shuffle Court. We are very proud of our SPAAlumni!

**Box Tops for Education Pizza Party Contest** - Keep bringing those box tops into your classrooms. Contest runs until Feb. 25th and the class with the most box tops collected is awarded a pizza party!

**Class Composite Photos** - The class photos from Geskus have finally arrived! Check your student's backpack if you did not receive it.

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## Registration Packets 2011-12

We are sending home the Registration Packets for 2011-12 school year with our students this week and next. Please check your child's backpack for a large white envelope. PSAS forms are included with the packets and must be postmarked by March 1st. **All other registration forms/fees should be turned into the school office by May 3rd or sooner!**

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## Newsletter Information Link

**Click link below for all newsletter attachments.**

[http://www.stpaul-school.org/news/from\\_the\\_halls\\_of\\_st\\_paul](http://www.stpaul-school.org/news/from_the_halls_of_st_paul)

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## Cougar Sporting News

To download SPA Athletic Forms go to:

[www.stpaul-school.org/activities/athletic\\_forms](http://www.stpaul-school.org/activities/athletic_forms)

## Basketball Schedules for Saturday, February 19th

**Boys:** 7th Gr. vs. IHM (Blue) - 10:10 am @ SJV

**Athlete's Mass** - Sunday, Feb. 20th @ 11:00 am. All St. Paul student athletes, please promote our school and athletic program by wearing your jersey over church clothes for this Mass. There will be reserved seating for athletes and coaches, and Fr. Ernie will mention our athletes during announcements. This is the only Athlete's Mass this year, so please try to attend! Let's show our Cougar Pride!

**3 on 3 Basketball Tournament** - St. Paul's "March Madness" Tournament is Saturday, March 19 at CC Gym. **Registration forms are due by March 5th** - Go to [www.stpaul3on3.com](http://www.stpaul3on3.com)

**Thank you** to all those who donated to our Pop Can Drive - we collected \$250 towards our Athletic Program.

*After School Care*

## Wednesday, Feb. 23

8th Grade Popsicle Sale

Vision/Hearing Screening

Happy Birthday Mrs.

Kopfensteiner

*After School Care*

## Thursday, Feb. 24

Liturgy 8:30 am - 5th Grade;

Jr. Choir Sings

Coffee w/ Principal in TL after Mass

Vision/Hearing Screening

Hot Lunch Pre-Orders

*After School Care*

## Friday, Feb. 25

Non-Uniform/Jean Day

8th Grade Hot Dog Lunch

*After School Care*

## Highlights

### Hot Lunch Menu

**Tuesday** - Bosco (Pizza) Sticks w/ pizza sauce, Corn on the Cob, Jello w/ fruit

**Thursday** - Sloppy Joes, Tater Tots, Green Beans, Applesauce

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

[www.stpaul-school.org/news/hot\\_lunch\\_calendar](http://www.stpaul-school.org/news/hot_lunch_calendar)

## SAFETY DUTY

BLUE Team is on for the week of

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## SPAuction 2011 - MANY THANKS!

*Thank you, Thank you, Thank you* to the many people who made this year's Auction a success - from set-up to clean up! Special Appreciation goes to the Co-Chairs John & Tiffany Harmon and Al & Katie Puglessi for all of their hard work, and to Jeanne Kortz and crew for the awesome decorations! We are still tallying the proceeds and will have figures soon. **We are in need of Chair people for next year**...so If you feel the "calling," please contact the school office. This is an important fundraiser and a great community event for our school. We need YOU!

*"Service is the very purpose of life. It is the rent we pay for living on the planet."* (Marian Wright Edelman)

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## Doodle 4 Google

Doodle 4 Google is a competition where K-12 students are invited to use their artistic talents to think big and redesign Google's homepage logo. Google believes that students dreaming about future possibilities leads to tomorrow's leaders and inventors, so this year their theme is, "What I'd like to do someday..." Our students in grades 1-5 will be creating a doodle in the computer lab using KidPix. St. Paul, with parental consent, will be submitting a few of these creations. If your student's art is selected you will receive a parent consent form to return to school. This year the contest is open to more than schools so you may use the linked forms to register and enter your student's work yourself. Only one doodle may be submitted per student. Top prize is a \$15,000 college scholarship and there is a \$25,000 technology grant available for a school. So let's Doodle 4 Google!

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February 21st.

## SCRIP NEWS

**Scrip Packers** for Wednesday, Feb. 23rd - Marni Jervis & Tracey Jackson

**Reminder-** Since we do not have school on Monday (2/21), please make sure your Scrip Order is placed in the Parish Safe **by 11:00 am on Sunday, Feb. 20th.**

**Scrip Accruals:** Check your email for Scrip Accrual amounts. Remember to deduct the accrual from your next tuition payment.

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