

August 9, 2023

Dear St. Pius X School Families,

**Welcome home!** I am excited to share that this year's schoolwide theme is **"home."** A **home** is more than a physical structure and more than beams, boards, walls, and windows. A **home** encompasses what is on the inside, an intangible, yet palpable feeling.

What words or thoughts come to mind when you think of **home**? *Take a moment to pause and reflect.* 

Let me share what words and thoughts came to my mind.

Love

Comfort

Familiarity

Family

Memories

Home-cooked meals

Acceptance

Being myself

Support system

Best intentions

As we write our story together, to include all our hopes, dreams, and aspirations for ourselves, each other, and our school community, always remember that you have a **home** at St. Pius X School.

At St. Pius X School, we hold ourselves to the highest ideals. We will strive each day to be channels of God's grace in forming our students into future Saints! As a school family, we are firmly committed to continuous improvement and we focus on people, process, and product. We examine daily how to better prepare our students spiritually and academically. Our students will share in the confidence of knowing Christ's love and His purpose and plan for their lives as students.

Our students will leave with the mark of a Catholic School education, both spiritually and academically. When our students are in the community, they must be distinguished enough that individuals who meet them for the first time will pause and comment, "You attend St. Pius X School, don't you?"

I invite you to make yourself at **home** and be prepared for the best school year ever. I say this not to be prideful but in knowing that an education saturated in the teachings of Christ and His Church cannot be replicated elsewhere. We are made for this moment to take St. Pius X School from great to greater.

Principal's Priorities to Get Us Ready for the Best School Year Ever						
What	When/Where	Let's sign-up! Ready, set, go!				
30-Minute Individual	Thursday, August 10, 2023	Sign-up here.				
Family Listening Sessions	8:00-10:00 AM, 4:00-8:00 PM					
Quality 1:1 time with	Mr. Kent's Office					
Principal Kent.						
Lower School Town Hall	Tuesday, August 15, 2023	Sign-up <u>here</u> .				
Listening Session	6:00-7:00 PM					
Pack the Parish Life Center	St. Pius X Parish Life Center					
with PK-Gr. 4 families.						
Middle School Town Hall	Wednesday, August 16, 2023	Sign-up <u>here</u> .				
Listening Session	6:00-7:00 PM					
Come one. Come all. We	St. Pius X Parish Life Center					
love our Middle School.						
Campus Beautification	Saturday, August 19, 2023	Sign-up <u>here</u> .				
Day	8:00 AM-12:00 PM					
Get our campus in tip-top	St. Pius X School Campus					
shape to reopen and be						
treated to a pizza lunch.						
Welcome Walk	Monday, August 28, 2023	Sign-up <u>here</u> .				
Form a human tunnel and	8:45-9:15 AM					
cheer on your favorite	Area outside St. Pius X School					
faculty and staff.	front office, extending along					
	sidewalk and into parking lot					
Pray for Our Students,	Monday, August 28, 2023	Sign-up <u>here</u> .				
Faculty, and Staff	3:00-3:30 PM					
A family who prays	Jesus statue area in front of					
together, stays together.	St. Pius X School entrance					
Pray for each student,						
faculty, and staff member,						
by name.						

Your Partner in Faith & Education,

Mr. Kent

Mr. Kent

Principal

St. Pius X School



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    - Parent/Guardian Authorization for Prescription Medications
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- Communication AP Notify\*
- Carpool Pick-Up Authorization\*

- Use of Student Photographs, Videos, Images
- SPXS Student Directory
- Bus Information Letter and Transportation Form\*
- Extended Day Program Handbook and Registration Form
- "Happy Birthday" Policy
- CORI Information please visit <u>www.spxschool.org/cori-requirements/</u>for instructions and to complete the CORI training. All volunteers must be CORI cleared.
- Athletics
  - Letter Regarding Participation
  - Fall athletics information
- Lunch Menu Lunch tickets must be purchased in advance for lunch. Please send a check into school payable to DYRSD. Lunch cost is \$3.50 each day (\$35.00 for 10 lunches or \$70.00 for 20 lunches). Lunch tickets will remain at school and parents will be notified when a new ticket is needed.
- Friends of St. Pius X School Information
- Tears & Cheers
- Spirit Rock Sign Up Genius

<sup>\*\*</sup>Forms listed in red will be emailed to you via the AP Notify system and must be completed electronically. If you have any questions, please call the office at 508-398-6112.

# **IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES**

Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>
Kindergarten Orientation - 4:00 pm

New Family Orientation and Mentor Family Ice Cream Social - 5:00pm

Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

<u>First Day of School for Kindergarten - Grade 8 Students\*\*</u>

7:45am - 2:15pm

See the enclosed "Important Information" for drop off/pick up procedures.

Morning Care 7:30 - 7:45 and Extended Day Program 2:15 - 5:30

### **PK Play Dates**

Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> 8:30 - 10:30am Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup> 8:30 - 10:30am

Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> - Full Day of School (K - Grade 8)
Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> - Full Day of School (K - Grade 8)
Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup> - Full Day of School (K - Grade 8)
Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> - No School
Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> - No School
Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> - Classes Resume for all students and
First Day of School for PreK students

\*\*PreK students will be dismissed at 12:00pm on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. PreK students will be dismissed at 2:15pm on Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Thursday, September 7th
9:30 am - Opening Mass
All of our families are invited to attend this special liturgy.

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
Lower and Middle School Meet the Teacher Night
6:00pm St. Pius X School Cafeteria
followed by classroom visits

#### St. Pius X School Calendar 2023-2024

August 2023							
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September 2022

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#### August

15 LS Town Hall Listening Session 16 MS Town Hall Listening Session both sessions 6-7pm 24 New Family Orientation &

Mentor Family Ice Cream Social 5pm

25 New Staff Orientation-DOFR

28 Staff Professional Day

#### 29 First Day of School Kindergarten - Gr. 8

30/31 PK Orientation 8:30-10:30 (PK Parents & Students)

September

1 Labor Day Holiday begins -No School

4 Labor Day - No School

8 Back to School Bash

13 LS & MS Meet the Teacher

Night - 6:00pm

11-29 NWEA MAP Testing 28 Parent Social

29 MS Back to School Dance

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19/22 Days

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6 Professional Day 11:30 Dismissal

6 Grandparents Day

9 Columbus Day -

No School

11 Interim Period Ends

16-20 Gr. 6 to NEED Academy

18 Interim Reports Issued

19 Parent / Teacher Conf. 11:30 Dismissal

20 Parent / Teacher Conf.

11:30 Dismissal

26 School Photos

27 MS Halloween Dance

#### November 2023 November M W F S 2 3 4 1 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 16 18 15 17 21 19 20 24 25

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1 All Saints Day

9 Diocesan Professional Day

No School

10 Veterans Day - No School

21 11:30 Dismissal

22-24 Thanksgiving Recess No School

17/60 Days

# December

December 2023								
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# 1 Professional Day 11:30 Dismissal

1 Trimester Ends

8 Immaculate Conception

8 Report Cards Issued

15 Student Christmas Parties

19 Christmas Pageant

16/76 Days 22 11:30 Dismissal

# 25-Jan 1 Winter Recess

Teachers only in session 25 Christmas School not in session-red lettering

11:30 dismissal-blue lettering All dates are subject to change **January** 

#### 1 New Years Day-No School

2 School Reopens

8-26 NWEA MAP Testing

# 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day -

No School

19 MS Snowball Dance

24 Interim Period Ends

27 Open House/Pasta Dinner

31 Interim Reports Issued

28-Feb. 3 Natl. Catholic Schools Wk.

**February** 

1 Parent / Teacher Conf.

11:30 Dismissal

9 Professional Day

11:30 Dismissal

14 Ash Wednesday

19 President's Day

19-23 Winter Recess

#### March

2 Father/Daughter Dance

9 St. Pat's Parade

14 Trimester Ends

15 Professional Day -

No School

22 Report Cards issued

28 Holy Thursday

11:30 Dismissal

29 Good Friday -No School

31 Easter

April

1 Easter Monday

No School

5 SPXS Spring Fling & Auction

8-12 Gr. 5 to NEED Academy

15-19 Spring Recess

26 Professional Day

11:30 Dismissal

27 Mother Son Event

3 MS Spring Dance

8 Interim Period Ends

6-24 NWEA Map Testing

6-10 Screen Free Week

9 Ascension Thursday

15 Gr. 8 Mass with Bishop 12pm

15 Interim Reports Issued

16 Volunteer Social

24 or 31 Field Day

27 Memorial Day - No School

June

7 Grade 8 Graduation

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24 Last Day of School\*

Report Cards Issued 25 Staff Professional Day

\*includes 5 snow days

January 2024								
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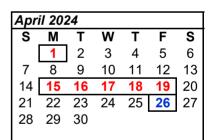
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May 2024							
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# St. Pius X School

# **August/September 2023**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	August 28	August 29	August 30	August 31	September 1	2
	Staff Professional Day	First Day of School Kindergarten—Gr. 8	PK Orientation 8:30-10:30am	PK Orientation 8:30-10:30am	No School	
		Tears and Cheers Breakfast 8am				
	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Labor Day	First Day of School For PreK	PreK Dismissal 12pm	PreK Dismissal 2:15	PreK Dismissal 2:15 Middle School "House	
	No School	PreK Dismissal 12pm		Mass 9:30am St. Pius X Church	Sorting Day"	
		Frek Distilissat 12pm		(Full dress uniform)	Back to School Bash 5pm	
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	Middle School Study Hall Begins 2:15—3:30					
	NWEA Fall MAP Testing begins		Lower and Middle School Meet the Teacher Night 6:00pm			
7	18	19	20	21 Mass 9:30am St. Pius X Church (Full dress uniform)	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
				Parent Social Tugboats—6:30pm	NWEA Fall MAP Testing ends	
					Middle School Back to School Dance	



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION 2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

SCHOOL PHONE 508-398-6112 SCHOOL FAX 508-398-6113

SCHOOL WEBSITE www.spxschool.org

#### **SCHOOL HOURS**

SCHOOL HOOKS	
Pre-Kindergarten 3 Day	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
	8:00 a.m 2:10 p.m.
Pre-Kindergarten 5 Day	Monday - Friday
	8:00 a.m 2:10 p.m.
Grades K-8	8:00 a.m 2:10 p.m.
Enter Building	7:45 a.m.
Classes Begin	8:00 a.m.
Dismissal	2:10 p.m.
Morning Care Program	7:30 a.m 7:45 a.m.
Extended Day Program	2:10 p.m 5:30 p.m.

#### ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

All students are to arrive and depart by bus or car. Students may not be dropped off in the parking lots and parents should not walk students to the front door, unless they are tardy. At dismissal, students should be picked up by bus or car. Parents may not take their children from the dismissal lines. Thank you for your cooperation to ensure the safety of all our students.

#### BUS

Bus transportation is provided by the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District for students age 5 and older who reside in Dennis and Yarmouth. In addition, bus transportation is provided for students age 5 and older residing in Upper Cape communities for an additional fee. Current Upper Cape bus stops are located in Mashpee, Marstons Mills, West Barnstable and Hyannis and are subject to change. Parents must register their child for the Upper Cape Bus. Please contact the office for additional information on bus transportation or to register your child for bus transportation. Students must adhere to the rules and regulations set forth by the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District, Five Star Bus Company and St. Pius X School. Proper behavior on the school bus is essential for the safety of all children riding the bus. Students must be at their bus stop at the designated times. Afternoon dismissal for bus students will be held at the main entrance.

#### ARRIVAL BY CAR

Students arriving by car are to be dropped off at one of the three assigned entrances - the front Lobby entrance, the side Recess entrance, or the back Cafeteria entrance. Entrance assignments, based on your child's grade, will be determined before the start of the school year. Staff member(s) will be on duty at the entrances to direct students into the building. It is not necessary for the driver to exit the vehicle and walk the student into the building. The staff on duty will assist students exiting the vehicle.

#### **DISMISSAL BY CAR**

Students going home by car in the afternoon will be dismissed from their same assigned doors. Parents are asked to assemble an orderly pick-up line in the rear Parish Life Center parking lot and not block any bus traffic in the front of the building. A sign in the front windshield displaying the family or carpool name should be visible. It is not necessary for the driver to exit the vehicle. Staff member(s) will assist students into vehicles.

All vehicles must enter the school property via Wood Road and exit via Barbara Street.

#### **DISMISSAL CHANGES**

Please be advised that a phone call, note or email giving permission from the parent must be received each time a change in transportation arrangement is made and whenever a student is to be picked up by anyone other than the regular driver. Parents may send their child's carpool list to the school at the beginning of the school year. Dismissal changes may be called in to the school office or by emailing Mrs. Shaw at ashaw@spxschool.org. Please call the office by 1:00pm.

#### **PARKING**

The front driveway to the school must be kept free of parked cars at all times. Parking is available in the lot adjacent to the gymnasium or in the Parish lots.

At all times, please use caution and courtesy as you travel in and around the school/parish grounds.

#### STUDENT PLANBOOKS

Each student in Grades 4-8 will be given a planbook. This book will serve as your child's homework/assignment book as well as a study tool and organizer. It is expected that students will use this planbook to record all assignments. The teacher will instruct the students in the recording and use of this book. The goal of a student handbook is to help our students to learn organizational skills as well as the time management skills needed daily.

#### **WEEKLY COMMUNICATION -**

#### PRINCIPAL POINTS (SUNDAY) & NOTES FROM THE OFFICE (WEDNESDAY)

Weekly communication and general information from the administration will be available each Sunday and Wednesday via the school's website www.spxschool.org. It is extremely important that <u>all</u> information be read, as it is our means to disseminate updates, news, and changes. Each family will receive a reminder message via the email address provided for the AP Notify system.

#### **AP NOTIFY**

St. Pius X School has adopted the AP Notify system which allows the school to send a telephone or email message to you providing important information about school events or emergencies. Please complete the enclosed form and return to the school office. It is important to inform the office of any changes to this contact information. As the beginning of the school year nears, important information will be distributed via the AP Notify system.

#### **DRESS CODE**

Students are expected to wear proper and full uniforms at all times. Students must remember that proper dress and good personal hygiene are important and expected. Uniforms must be clean, fit properly, and be in good condition including no rips, tears, or frays. Make-up and nail polish are not allowed. Students wearing make-up or nail polish will be required to remove it before class. Jewelry must be simple, conservative, and modest. Girls with pierced ears may wear small stud-type earrings only - one earring only in each ear - traditional placement at the ear lobe. Boys may not wear any earrings. Students wearing accessories that are distracting to others may be asked to remove the accessories. Boys' hair should be no longer than the collar of their shirts. Girls may wear the headband or scrunchie available through the uniform company or a navy scrunchie, navy headband, navy barrettes or navy ribbons. Hair extensions and hair pieces are not permitted. All hairstyles should be simple and traditional. No type of boots may be worn during the school day. Students should bring a change of shoes if boots are worn to school. Spiritwear is not part of the standard or physical education uniform and is not permitted to be worn during the school day.

In order to keep uniformity in our dress code, it is necessary that all uniform purchases be made through our uniform company:

School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger

globalschoolwear.com

We have recently changed to *School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger*. Our online store is currently being set up. We will notify you when you are able to purchase uniforms. If you have any questions, please call the school office.

Gently used uniforms are available at the St. Pius X Clothesline.

# SCHOOL UNIFORM ALL YEAR

### STANDARD REQUIRED UNIFORM

In order to keep uniformity in our dress code, it is necessary that all uniform purchases be made through our uniform company.

GRADES 5-8		Kids voted for oxford color- blue was the winner (almost unanimously)
Boys	Trousers	Khaki
	Shirts	Light blue oxford button down, long or short sleeve
	Sweater	Navy blue V-neck pullover with school logo
	Ties	Navy blue
	Socks	Solid white, navy, or black crew/ankle socks (not low cut, no-
		show, or basketball/athletic socks of other colors)
Girls	Kilts	Navy blue or black watch plaid of modest length
	Shirts	Light blue oxford button down, long or short sleeve
	Sweater	Navy blue V-neck pullover with school logo
	Socks	Navy blue knee length
	Tights	Navy blue
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Boys and Girls	Shoes	Navy, black or brown non-marking of a modest style

### SCHOOL UNIFORM ALL YEAR STANDARD REQUIRED UNIFORM

In order to keep uniformity in our dress code, it is necessary that all uniform purchases be made through our uniform company.

GRADES K-4		
Boys	Trousers	Navy blue pants
	Shirts	White oxford button down, long or short sleeve
	Sweater	Navy blue V-neck pullover with school logo
	Socks	Navy blue
	Ties	Navy blue
Girls	Plaid Jumper	
	Blouses	White short sleeve or ¾ length blouse
	Sweater	Navy blue cardigan with school logo
	Socks	Navy blue knee length or white ankle
	Tights	Navy blue
Boys and Girls	Shoes	Navy, black or brown non-marking of a modest style (Docksiders© and Merrell© Jungle Moc style acceptable)

#### **SUMMER UNIFORM**

In order to keep uniformity in our dress code, it is necessary that all uniform purchases be made through our uniform company.

The Summer Uniform may be worn during the following time periods: From the First Day of school to the Friday before the Columbus Day Holiday. From the Monday following Spring Recess to the Last Day of school. The Summer Uniform consists of the Standard Uniform and the following additions:

GRADES K-4		
Boys	Trousers	Navy blue short– no cargo shorts
	Shirt	Navy blue polo with school logo (pique or performance)
	Socks	Navy blue/white crew– no logos
Girls	Skort	Plaid skort
	Shirt	Navy blue polo with school logo (pique or performance)
	Socks	Navy blue knee length or white ankle
<b>GRADES 5-8</b>		
Boys	Trousers	Khaki short-no cargo shorts
	Shirt	Navy blue polo with school logo (pique or performance)
	Socks	Navy blue/white crew
Girls	Skort	Khaki or plaid skort
	Shirt	Navy blue polo with school logo (pique or performance)
	Socks	Navy blue knee length

#### WINTER UNIFORM

The Winter Uniform may be worn during the following time period: From the Monday following Thanksgiving Recess through the first Friday in March.

Girls may wear Navy pants (K-Gr. 4) or Khaki pants (Gr.5-8).

Turtlenecks - more details to follow

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORMS

In order to keep uniformity in our dress code, it is necessary that all uniform purchases be made through our uniform company. Spiritwear is not part of the standard or physical education uniform and is not permitted to be worn during the school day.

GRADE 5-8		Heat stamped all gym pieces
Boys and Girls	Pants	Navy blue sweatpants with school logo
	Shorts	Navy blue mesh short with school logo (to be worn
		under sweatpants during class)
	Sweatshirt	Navy blue sweatshirt with school logo
	Shirt	Navy blue polo with school logo (pique or performance)
	Socks	White

GRADE K-4		Heat stamped all gym pieces
Boys and Girls	Pants	Navy blue sweatpants with school logo
	Shorts	Navy blue mesh short with school logo (to be worn
		under sweatpants during class)
	Sweatshirt	Navy blue sweatshirt with school logo
	Shirt	Navy blue polo with school logo (pique or performance)
	Socks	White
Boys and Girls	Shoes	Non-marking sneakers of a modest style/no bright colors or bright laces

Pre-Kindergarten students are <u>not required</u> to wear the standard school uniform. The Pre-Kindergarten students must wear the following items:

PRE-K		
Boys and Girls	Pants	Navy blue pants
	Shorts	Navy blue shorts
	Shirt	Navy blue polo with school logo (long or short sleeve –
		pique or performance)
	Sweater	Navy blue V-neck pullover with school logo
Girls	Skort	Plaid skort
	Dress	Navy blue short sleeve interlock polo dress
	Plaid Jumper	
	Blouses	White short sleeve or ¾ length blouse
_	Sweater	Navy blue cardigan with school logo

The school uniform code is strictly enforced.

#### NON-MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

The following information is required for admission.

#### PreK - Grade 8:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate if member of a Catholic parish
- Records from child's current school (if applicable). It is necessary for a parent/guardian to sign a Release of Records form, return it to the school and the school will forward the Release form to the current school.

(Preschools are not obligated to forward records although additional information about your child will be helpful to his/her teacher.)

#### MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

#### PreK

#### Physical Exam

- Most recent exam must be provided initially
- Subsequent exam needs to be within six months of school entry <u>or</u> during the first year
- Documented lead screen

#### **Immunizations**

- ≥ 4 doses DTaP/DTP
- ≥ 3 doses Polio
- 1 dose MMR
- 1-4 doses HIB
- 3 doses Hepatitis B
- 1 dose Varicella or documented history of chicken pox

#### Kindergarten

#### Physical Exam

- Most recent exam must be provided initially
- Subsequent exam needs to be within six months of school entry <u>or</u> during the first year
- <u>For Kindergarten only</u>: Vision certificate within 12 months of start of school or within 30 days of the start of the school year, with proof of follow-up if child failed
- Documented lead screen

#### **Immunizations**

- 5 doses DTaP (unless 4<sup>th</sup> dose is given on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday)
- 4 doses Polio (unless the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose is given on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday)
- 2 doses MMR
- 3 doses Hepatitis B
- 2 doses Varicella or documented history of chickenpox

# **Grades 1 - 6** Immunizations

- 5 doses DTaP
- 4 doses Polio
- 2 doses MMR
- 3 doses Hepatitis B
- 2 doses Varicella or documented history of chickenpox

#### Grade 7

In addition to above requirements:

- 1 Tdap
- 1 dose of Meningococcal vaccine

#### **GRADES PK-8**

All students are required to have an updated physical exam every 3-4 years and upon entering 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Participation in athletics requires a physical exam within 13 months of the start of the activity.

#### COVID-19

Not required, but knowing your child's COVID vaccination status will assist us. If your child has been vaccinated, and it is not indicated on a doctor's report, please share that information with us.



### St. Pius X School educates students:

to learn the Catholic faith and follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ to grow spiritually, academically, and socially to lead a life of faith, service, and integrity

August 9, 2023

The **Circle of Grace** Safe Environment Training will be offered by <u>St. Pius X School</u> for the 2023-24 school year for all students in PreK through Grade 8. This safety program is offered in all Catholic schools and religious education programs across the diocese. Information about his program can be found at <a href="https://dovesnest.net/circleofgrace">https://dovesnest.net/circleofgrace</a>

Lessons from Circle of Grace are presented within the curriculum at different points in the year. If you have questions about the program, and the lesson taught, please contact the school.

If you do **NOT** want your child to participate in the program, please indicate below, otherwise no action is necessary.

No, I do <mark>NOT</mark> want my child to take part in th	nis Safe Environment Training at the school.
Parent Signature	Name & Grade Level of Student



### August 2023

### Dear Parent/Guardian,

Enclosed please find medical forms, including the medical requirements necessary for admission to the school for new students. Your doctor's office would have your child(ren)'s records. Medication release forms are required for all medication dispensed at school. Please read this information carefully. We are available to answer any questions regarding your child's specific situation.

Sincerely, School Nurse

#### **Enclosures**

- ➤ Health Requirements PreK Grade 8
- ➤ Health History Form New Student (*Please complete this form if your child is a new student of St. Pius X School*)
- ➤ Health History Form Existing Student (*Please complete this form if your child has had any significant health changes during the summer*)
- ➤ Massachusetts School Health Record Form New Student (*Please complete, the shaded portion only, if your child is a new student of St. Pius X School*)
- ➤ Hand Sanitizer Opt-Out Form
- ➤ Potassium Iodide Letter and Consent Form (via online forms)
- ➤ Head Lice Letter
- > OTC Medication Permission Form (medications provided by school)
- ➤ Medication Order Form (medications provided by parent/guardian)
- > Parent/Guardian Authorization for Prescription Medication
- ➤ Parent/Guardian Authorization for Over-the-Counter Medication
- ➤ Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Plan
- Family Food Allergy Health History Form
  - New Students with food allergies
  - New food allergy diagnosis



# Please complete this form if your child is a <u>NEW STUDENT</u> at St. Pius X School.

Name			Grade
Date of Birth	Pla	ce of Birth	
current informatio	on enables the staff m	nembers immediately	er through high school. This v concerned with your child's at out of the school program.
Has your child ha	ad:		
Chicken Pox Mumps Pol Hepatitis M	Measles lioPneumonia ononucleosis	German MeaslesTuberculosis_Rheumatic Fever	Whooping Cough
Does your child h	nave:		
Asthma Cerebral Palsy Other	Diabetes Deafness	Epilepsy Blindness	Seizures Headaches
Has your child had	d any operations? Li	st type and date.	
Has your child had	d a serious illness or	accident? List type a	and date.
Does your child ha	ave any allergies? If  Medicin	f yes, what kind?	Environmental
Does your child ta	ike medicine routine	ly? If yes, what and	for what reason?
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Does your child w	vear glasses, hearing rticipate in all schoo	aide, or other appliant	ware of, not already mentioned?
Date	Parent/Guardian	n Signature	



# **HEALTH HISTORY**

Student Name:		
Date of Birth:	Grade:	
has any new illness and/or i	s an <b>EXISTING STUDENT</b> at St. Pius Sinjuries to report that occurred over the eturn this form if there is nothing to rep	summer.
<u>Injuries:</u>		
<u>Illnesses:</u>		
New medications:		
Other health concerns:		
Parent/Guardian Signature:		
Date:		

# To be Completed for New Students Only — Only fill in shaded area

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\*School District on Waiver in accordance with MGL c71,s57 indicated by \* in 'Grade' column.

- Immunizations: Please attach complete Massachusetts Immunization Certificate/record
   Due to software differences, this form may be used as a template for other formats. (All information on this form must be included.)

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### August 2023

Dear Parents or Guardians,

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommend handwashing to reduce infection transmission. The single most important thing that we can do to keep from getting sick and spreading illness to others is to clean our hands. If soap and water are not available, alcohol-based hand sanitizers (with at least 60% alcohol) are an effective alternative for cleaning hands and are recommended as an alternative to soap and water by the CDC and the MA Department of Public Health.

If you do not want you child/ren to use alcohol-based hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available, please indicate below.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the office.

Sincerely

Ann Agurkis BSN RN St. Pius X School Nurse	
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No, I do NOT give permission for the use of alcohol-b	ased hand sanitizer
Child/ren Name(s):	
Parent Signature:	Date:



#### MESSAGE ABOUT HEAD LICE

#### Dear Parents:

Frequently schools find head lice and other communicable conditions when they open in the fall. We want to prevent the spread of these conditions as much as possible.

Head lice is not just a school or a one family problem – it can happen to anyone. It is a community problem and doesn't just happen to "other people." If your child does become infected with head lice you should notify your child's playmates' parents, and the School Nurse. This will help your neighbors and the school eliminate head lice and prevent the spread and possible re-infestation of your family. Head lice may strike anyone regardless of personal hygiene practices.

Head lice are tiny wingless insects that live on the human scalp, multiply rapidly and are almost impossible to eliminate unless proper treatment is carried out. Head lice do not hop or jump; they have claws that are adapted for grasping – giving them a strong grip on the hair shafts.

We have listed below some precautions you can take to prevent infestation:

- 1. Children with long hair should come to school with their hair confined in "Pigtails" or "Ponytails".
- 2. Discourage children from bringing stuffed animals and toys to school.
- 3. Hats should be placed in jacket sleeves when not being worn.
- 4. Children should not share hats, combs or brushes with friends.
- 5. Children should be discouraged from playing with each other's hair.
- 6. Vigorous daily brushing and combing of hair prevents establishment of head lice.
- 7. Children should be checked on a weekly basis at home for any evidence of "nits".
- 8. Sleep-overs are discouraged for this is a prime time for lice transfer.

Parents should be alert for unusual irritation or itching around ears and nape of neck. However, no one should be treated with medicated shampoo unless there is a definite need. Once an infestation of head lice is found and confirmed, special delousing shampoos must be used. Vigorous washing with usual shampoo is not effective.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school.

Sincerely, Ann Agurkis St. Pius X School Nurse



August 2023

#### Dear Parent/Guardian:

We would like to inform you of the policies that have been put in place to ensure the health and safety of children needing medications during the school day.

St. Pius X School requires that the following forms must be on file in your child's health record before we begin to give any medicine at school:

- 1. <u>Parent/Guardian Permission Form for Over-the-Counter Medication</u>. Please complete the consent form in order for your child to receive over-the-counter medication during school hours. This authorization must be completed as needed and at the beginning of each academic year. (medication available in school Health Office please see attached permission form for list of available medications)
- 2. <u>Parent/Guardian Authorization for Over-the-Counter Medication</u>. Please complete the consent form in order for your child to receive over-the-counter medication during school hours. This authorization must be completed as needed and at the beginning of each academic year. (medication provided by parent/guardian)
- 3. <u>Medication Order Form</u>. The written medication order form should be taken to your child's licensed prescriber (your child's physician, nurse practitioner, etc.) for completion and returned to the school nurse. **This order must be renewed as needed at the beginning of each academic year.**
- 4. <u>Parent/Guardian Authorization for Prescription Medication</u>. Please complete the consent form and return it to the school nurse.

Medications should be delivered to the school in a pharmacy or manufacturer-labeled container by you or a responsible adult whom you designate. Please ask your pharmacy to provide separate bottles for school and home. No more than a thirty-day supply of the medicine should be delivered to the school.

Please act quickly to follow these policies so we may begin to give the medication, if needed, as soon as possible. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely, Annie Agurkis School Nurse



# OTC Permission Form - Medication provided by school

I give permission for my child	to receive the
medication(s) listed below as deemed necessary by the School	
a generic equivalent medication may be used. I understand th	
Nurse will administer the medication(s). Please contact the S	
questions or concerns.	•
Ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin)	
Acetaminophen (Tylenol)	
Benadryl	
Antibacterial cream/ointment	
Calamine Lotion / other topical	
Cough drops	
Burn gel	
Hydrocortisone 1% cream	
Trydrocordsone 170 cream	
These medications will be available in the health office. ALL Orequire the Parental Consent Form, Physician's Order Form are provided by the parent.	
Signature of Parent/Guardian	
Date	
Home Phone Cell Phone	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Work Phone	



# **MEDICATION ORDER FORM**

# To be completed by licensed prescriber

Student's Name:	Date of Birth:
Address:	Grade:
(street)	(city)
Name of Licensed Prescriber:	Title:
Emergency Telephone Number:	
Route of Administration:	
Frequency:	Time(s) of
Administration:	
(Please note: Whenever possible, medic	cation should be scheduled at times other than school hours)
Specific directions or information for	
administration:	
Date of order:	Discontinuation Date:
Diagnosis*:	
Any other medical	
condition(s)*:	
Optional information:	
1. Special side effects, contraindic	cations, or possible adverse reactions to be observed:
Other medication being taken be	by student:
3. Date of next scheduled visit or	when advised to return to prescriber:
4. Consent for self-administration	(provide the School Nurse determines it is safe and appropriate).
YesNo	
Signature of Licensed Prescriber:	Date:

\* if not in violation of confidentiality



### PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION FOR PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION

Student's Name:	Date of Birth:	
We, the undersigned, are the parents (guardi	ians) of	, who lives with us at
The doctor had prescribed that this child be a instructions, which are hereto attached, and in the taking of this medication. It is to be give	we desire that the personne	el at St. Pius X School give the child assistance
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minor for the purpose of enforcing a claim for dam	ereafter at any time be made or nages on account of any injuries hts of exemption, both as to rea	brought by said minor or by anyone on behalf of said or loss sustained in consequence of the aforesaid al and personal property, to which we may be entitled
Please read the above carefully before signing. and delivered to the school.	No child will be assisted in ta	aking medication until this form has been signed
My son/daughter is currently receiving the f	following medications (to be	e completed if not in violation of confidentiality):
My son/daughter has the following food or d	rug allergies:	
I consent to have the school nurse or school prescribed by:	personnel designated by the	e School Nurse administer the medication
Licensed Physician		
Address		
I give permission for my son/daughter to self appropriate.	f-administer medication, if t	he School Nurse determines it is safe and
YesNo		
I give permission to the School Nurse to shar he/she determines appropriate for my son's,		
I understand I may retrieve the medication for not picked up within one week following term		however, the medication will be destroyed if it is week beyond the close of school.
Parent/Guardian Signature:	D	ate:
Relationship to Student:		



# $\frac{PARENT/GUARDIAN\ AUTHORIZATION\ FOR}{OVER-THE\ COUNTER\ MEDICATION}$

Student's Name:	Date of Birth_		
We, the undersigned, are the	e parents/guardians of		, who lives with us
at		·	
We feel that our child may be herbal preparations for dichild in taking the medication manufacturer's label bottle	<b>letary supplements</b> ) and won furnished by us in accorda	ish to have an appropri	iate person assist our
Medication:			
Dosage:			
Frequency or time(s) of adm	ninistration:		
Reason for medication neces	ssity:		
Other medications being tak	en by student:		
My child has the following fo	ood or drug allergies:		
We hereby agree to indemnify and claims, demands, or actions in law on behalf of said minor for the purponsequence of the aforesaid assist property, to which we may be entit indemnity.	or in equity that may hereafter at a pose of enforcing a claim for damag	ny time be made or brought be ses on account of any injuries and all rights of exemption, b	by said minor or by anyone or loss sustained in ooth as to real and persona
Please read the above carefully be signed and delivered to the scho		sisted in taking medication	ı until this form has been
I give permission for my sor it is safe and appropriate.	n/daughter to self-administe Yes		ool Nurse determines
I consent to have the School over-the-counter medication		designated by the Schoo	ol Nurse administer
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date	
Relationship to Student:			_
Health Office Authorization:			_

ALL MEDICATIONS MUST BE SUPPLIED BY PARENT



# **FOOD ALLERGIES**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

All students with food allergies must have an Individualized Health Care Plan completed, signed by parent/guardian and doctor, and returned to the health office with all medications required by your student. Please do not send in medication with your student. It must be delivered by you or another designated adult. These forms must be renewed annually.

Please complete the included care plan OR provide one from your child's physician. Also, please complete the Food Allergy History form so we can know more about your student.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Annie Agurkis BSN, RN

St. Pius X School Nurse



# **Family Food Allergy Health History Form**

Student Name:			Date of Birt	h:	
Parent/Guardian:			Today's Dat	te:	
Home Phone:					
Primary Healthcare Prov	rider:		Pho	one:	
Allergist:			Pho	one:	
<ol> <li>Does your child have</li> <li>History and Current</li> </ol>	-	ergy from a healtho	are provider: 🛭 N	No 🗖 Yes	
☐ Latex☐ Soy	☐ Insect Stings	c. He d. Expecans, etc.)	mptoms:	student had a re More than of	eaction? once, explain:
b. How does your chi	<ul><li>□ Nausea</li><li>□ Itching</li><li>□ Shortness of br</li></ul>	er symptoms?exposure to food(s) ild has experienced	?secs in the past: □ Rash tongue, mouth) □ Vomiting □ Hoarseness □ Repetitive Cou	minshrs  □ Flushing □ Diarrhea □ Cough	
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a. How have past rea	actions been treated?				
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	rgency room visit? _ 🖵				
	dmitted to the hospita				
	r medication has your				
f. Has your healthca	re provider provided y	ou with a prescripti	on for medication?	No □ Yes	
,	treatment or medica	•			
	y side effects or probl			ted treatment:	
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5. S	elf Care			
a.	Is your student able to monitor and prevent their own exposures?	☐ No	☐ Yes	
b.	Does your student:			
	<ol> <li>Know what foods to avoid</li> </ol>	☐ No	☐ Yes	
	2. Ask about food ingredients	☐ No	☐ Yes	
	3. Read and understands food labels	☐ No	☐ Yes	
	4. Tell an adult immediately after an exposure		☐ Yes	
	5. Wear a medical alert bracelet, necklace, watchband	_	☐ Yes	
	<ol><li>Tell peers and adults about the allergy</li></ol>		☐ Yes	
	7. Firmly refuses a problem food		☐ Yes	
C.	Does your child know how to use emergency medication?		☐ Yes	
d.	Has your child ever administered their own emergency medication?	<b>□</b> No	☐ Yes	
6. F	amily / Home			
a.	How do you feel that the whole family is coping with your student's foc	d allergy?		
b.	Does your child carry epinephrine in the event of a reaction?	☐ No	☐ Yes	
c.	Has your child ever needed to administer that epinephrine?	☐ No	☐ Yes	
d.	Do you feel that your child needs assistance in coping with his/her food	l allergy? _		
7. 0	eneral Health			
	How is your child's general health other than having a food allergy?			
b.	Does your child have other health conditions?			
c.	Hospitalizations?			
d.	Does your child have a history of asthma?	☐ No	☐ Yes	
	If yes, does he/she have an Asthma Action Plan?	■ No	☐ Yes	
e.	Please add anything else you would like the school to know about your	child's hea	alth:	
8. N	lotes:			
Pare	nt / Guardian Signature:		_ Date:	
arei	ic / Guardian Signature.		_ 5atc	
Revie	ewed by R.N.:		Date:	



August 9, 2023

Dear Parents or Guardians,

At times a reporter or photographer from the Anchor (Diocese of Fall River newspaper), Cape Cod Times, Catholic Schools Office, Foundation to Advance Catholic Education, etc. will visit the school to feature the staff, students, and school in a particular article. At times, a photographer may photograph students at school events to be used in school related informational and promotional materials. Student photographs or videos (from classroom presentations or school events, athletics, drama, etc.), taken by a staff member may be posted on our website, Facebook, or Instagram page.

Please indicate below whether photographs, video and/or voice recordings of your child/ren may be used in the school's print publications or posted electronically by SPXS.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the office.

Your Partner in Faith & Education,	
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Mr. Kent	
Mr. Kent	
Principal	
St. Pius X School	
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Yes, I do give permission for photographs, video or the to be used for any school print publications or promotional mat electronically for any purpose by the school and its staff.	· · ·
No, I do NOT give permission for photographs, video child/ren to be used for any school print publications or promot posted electronically for any purpose by the school and its staff	ional materials, or to be
Child/ren Name(s):	
Parent Signature:	Date:
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#### Dear Parent/Guardian;

We are in process of compiling and publishing our **St. Pius X School Student Directory**. This Directory is confidential and is intended for the private/social use of St. Pius X School students, families and school personnel. The Directory lists families alphabetically. It includes family last name, parent names, address, phone number, email address, each student's first name and his/her corresponding school grade.

Your written permission is required to be included in the Directory. We are unable to include your information without your permission. Please complete the information below exactly how it is to be spelled/printed in the Directory. Then please sign the form. Please print very clearly. Thank you.

Please complete the online form. We are hoping to distribute the Directory by early October.

Last Name:			
Parent Names:	Address (include Town & Zip):		Telephone:
Email Address (optional):			
Child's First Name:		Grad	le:
Child's First Name:		Grad	le:
Child's First Name:		Grad	le:
Child's First Name:		Grad	le:
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( ) YES! We want to be ind	cluded in the 2023-2024 St. Pi	us X S	School Directory.
( ) <b>NO!</b> We do <b>NOT</b> want t	to be included in the 2023-2024	4 St. I	Pius X School Directory.



August 2023

#### Dennis-Yarmouth Busing Information

Dear Parents,

Five Star Bus Company is employed by the D-Y Regional School District to transport all Kindergarten – Grade 8 students including those residents of Dennis and Yarmouth whose children attend St. Pius X School.

It is important that St. Pius X School and our parents abide by the policies set by Five Star. Please read the following:

All Dennis Yarmouth bus routes are published in the local paper, please look for your child's bus stop location and the time of the pick-up at their stop. Children must be at their assigned bus stop 5 minutes PRIOR to the listed time for their bus pick-up. There are many instances where children may not ride their bus from time to time and this causes the bus to be a few minutes early. Your early arrival at the bus stop ensures that the child will not miss the bus.

Drinks and snacks will not be allowed on the bus. A number of children have severe food allergies and each bus is assigned a number of different bus routes.

Kindergarten children must be met at the bus stop by a parent or an authorized adult. If a parent wants a different parent to receive their child at a bus stop, that person must be listed in writing by the parent and this name then sent to Five Star by the parent. No Kindergartener will be allowed to depart the bus without a properly designated person to receive the student. The exception to this policy is the parent may notify Five Star in writing that he/she are requesting that their child be let off at their bus stop alone or with a sibling or friend. This is the responsibility of the parent, not Five Star, nor St. Pius X School.

Per Dennis-Yarmouth School District Policy all other students (1-8) will be dropped off at their assigned bus stops, even if a parent is not there. Five Star will not bring students back to SPX School, unless the child is a Kindergartener.

If your child qualifies to ride SPXS buses and your child will permanently not be riding the school bus whether in the morning or in the afternoon, please notify Five Star. If the bus company is aware of this, it will enable the bus drivers to move more efficiently from bus stop to bus stop by not waiting at a bus stop for a child who chronically has an alternative means for transportation to or from school.

It is important that we respect the service which Five Star provides to our families and abide by the D-Y School District's and Five Star's policies.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jeff Kent Principal

FIVE STAR BUS COMPANY: 508-443-5080



### 2023-2024 BUS TRANSPORTATION FORM

If you haven't already done so, please return this form if you are planning to have your child travel to/from school by bus. Please note that students must be 5 years of age to be eligible to ride the school bus.

Studen	t(s) Name:
Parent	Name:
My chi	ild will be riding the following bus:
	Dennis/Yarmouth Regional School District Bus Service (for students residing in Dennis and Yarmouth only)
	Upper Cape Bus – Bus fees for the 2023-2024 are $1,000.00$ per child round trip/ $600.00$ per child one-way with a maximum cost of $1,750.00$ per family. Bus fees may be rolled into your monthly FACTS payments.
	If your child will be riding the Upper Cape Bus, which stop is most convenient for you? (please refer to the schedule below)
	Christ the King Church, Mashpee
	Stop & Shop Plaza, Route 28, Marstons Mills
	Exit 65 - Intersection of Route 149 and Route 6, West Barnstable
	Exit 68 - Intersection of Route 132 and Route 6, Hyannis

#### 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR DROP-OFF/PICK-UP TIMES/LOCATIONS:

\*\*\*The timetable may fluctuate depending upon rider needs for the upcoming school year – your input is critical for planning purposes\*\*\*

### **Upper Cape Bus**

6:45am	Depart Christ the King Church, Mashpee
7:00am	Depart Stop & Shop Plaza Parking Lot – Route 28 – Marstons Mills
7:15am	Depart Area of West Parish Church, West Barnstable (Exit 65 - Route 149 and Route 6)
7:30am	Depart Park 'n Ride, Hyannis (Exit 68 - Route 132 and Route 6)
7:45am	Arrive St. Pius X School
2:20pm	Depart St. Pius X School
2:35pm	Arrive Park 'n Ride, Hyannis (Exit 68 - Route 132 and Route 6)
2:50pm	Arrive Area of West Parish Church, West Barnstable (Exit 65 - Route 149 and Route 6)
3:05pm	Arrive Stop & Shop Plaza Parking Lot – Route 28 – Marstons Mills
3:20pm	Arrive Christ the King Church, Mashpee



# ST. PIUS X SCHOOL



**Extended Day Program** 

Handbook

2023-2024

August 2023

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the St. Pius X School Extended Day Program for the 2023-2024 school year! We hope that your children will find their time in the Extended Day Program to be enriching and fun and we are delighted to have the opportunity to work with you and your family. Enclosed please find information to assist you in utilizing our services to the fullest extent and answers to many common questions relating to various program policies and procedures.

The staff of The St. Pius X Extended Day Program is committed to providing your children with a high-quality program consistent with their school day experience. Our goal is to provide a safe, nurturing environment while promoting each child's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development. We strive to provide age-appropriate programs with varied activities while building self- esteem through positive interactions. Your children will have the opportunity to participate in varying planned activities such as well-structured outside/inside recreational play, art activities, technology, nature walks, stories, and homework and/or personal reading time.

Our Extended Day Program incorporates the philosophy of the school day program and will specifically:

- Provide high quality, professional care for St. Pius X School students;
- Offer a preferred alternative in an already familiar environment;
- Schedule play time, quiet/study time and extracurricular activities;
- Allow for interaction with classmates with reinforcement of values;
- Enhance the regular school day experience.

We hope you find this program helpful and that you will take advantage of it as you may need or desire. Please feel free to contact us with any questions, concerns, or suggestions you may have. We look forward to working with you and your children and providing an exciting, funfilled year!

Sincerely,

The Staff of the SPXS Extended Day Program

Contact Information: Phone: 508-398-6112

Extended Day Phone (during Program Hours): 774-212-3933

or 508-398-6112, extension 145

#### Schedule

Sessions run from 7:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. and from 2:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on full school days and some half days. Any modifications to the schedule will be communicated via the weekly email broadcast system.

## **Admission Policies**

Students enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 8 at St. Pius X School may participate in the Extended Day Program. Students must obey the rules and regulations, and financial obligations must be kept up to date in order for a student to continue participation in the program.

Students may participate in the morning and/or afternoon sessions, as needed.

Parents must submit the attached Registration Form in order for their child to participate in the Extended Day Program.

#### Communication

If you have a concern about your child and his/her participation in the program, please contact the school office at 508-398-6112.

## **Daily Release**

Students will be released only to parents or an individual who has been authorized – either on the school Emergency Information Form, or on a subsequent note submitted or phone call made by the parents to the school office - to pick up the student. A photo ID of the authorized individual may be requested at pick up.

## Discipline

Students are expected to abide by the rules of the program, respect staff members, other students, themselves, and personal and school property. Situations that call for discipline will be viewed as opportunities for teaching. "Helping children feel good about themselves is a key to effecting good behavior". Discipline should be constructive and should take effect as closely to the incident that requires disciplinary action. The goal of discipline should retain and support a child's positive sense of self. Each of us makes mistakes and we learn from them.

Children need to develop responsibility for their actions. Discipline is circumstantial. Each and every circumstance is treated a little bit differently depending on the severity of the behavior. If a student violates standards, we will first take action by removing the student from the group, discussing the incident, and seating him/her by him/herself for an age-appropriate period of time. If a student does not respond to this and the problem behavior persists, the parents will be called in for a conference. Should there continue to be problems, a second conference will be arranged and at that time, the student may be dismissed from the program.

Students should remain in their school uniform while participating in the program. Uniforms must be worn properly as during the school day. The only exception is if students must change clothing in order to participate in school sponsored sporting event that follows immediately after their time in the Extended Day Program.

## **Emergency Procedures**

The School Nurse is not available during extended day hours. Any minor first aid care will be provided by the extended day staff. If an injury requires more than minor first aid, then the parents and/or rescue will be contacted. Emergency procedures are consistent with the emergency procedures used during the school day.

Emergency contact information must be provided on the school Emergency Information Form for students attending the Extended Day Program. This information will be on file in the school office. A copy will be made available to the Extended Day Program staff.

## **Health and Safety**

Program policies related to health and safety are consistent with the health and safety policies of the school day program.

## Nutrition

A light snack and beverage will be provided to students upon arrival after dismissal. If your child requires an additional snack, please send it with your child. Parents should notify the Extended Day Program Coordinator staff in writing (or on the school Emergency Information Form) if their child has any allergies to or difficulties with any food.

## **Payment Plan**

Sessions run from 7:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. and from 2:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on full school days and some half days. There is no charge for the morning session. The afternoon session is charged a daily rate.

The rate for participation is \$21.00 per day/\$105.00 per week/\$400.00 per month. Parents arriving after 5:30 p.m. will be billed at a rate of \$7.00 per five minutes or any part thereof.

Parents will be invoiced from FACTS, via email, each month for Extended Day Services delivered the previous month. Payment is due 10 days after the invoice has been received. Financial obligations must be kept up to date in order for a student to continue participation in the program.

#### Records

Attendance records will be kept. All records are confidential and will be shared only with those who have a legal right to know.

## **Staffing**

The Extended Day Program will be staffed by a group of individuals, some of whom may be school-day staff. All staff completes the Safe Environment and Mandated Reporter Training sponsored by the Office of Safe Environment in Fall River and completes a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI).

## **Extended Day Program**

## **Before School Schedule**

Admission: Parent(s)/guardian(s) enter through the double doors in the rear of the school building; staff on duty will meet students at the double doors.

Session: 7:30 a.m.-7:45 a.m.

Location: Cafeteria

Release: Staff gathers students and their belongings and dismisses them to their classrooms.

## **After School Schedule**

Admission: Students will be dismissed from their classroom or staff will walk students not picked up after dismissal.

Session: 2:15 p.m.-2:45 p.m.

Location: Cafeteria

Activities: Attendance and snack

Session: 2:45 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Location: Varies\*

Activities: Recreational play outdoors or in the gym

Session: 3:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Location: Varies\*

Activities: Homework/Reading time, arts & crafts, music, nature, stories, technology, music,

and/or video.

Session: 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Location: Varies \*

Activities: Play outdoors or in the gym, arts & crafts, music, nature, stories, technology, music,

and/or video.

Please Note: Mondays – Thursdays students will have a block of time reserved for homework and/or reading time should time permit. Please make sure that your student comes to the extended day program with a pencil as well as a book of their choice to quietly read once their homework is complete (should they finish before the homework time is done).

\* Possible locations include but are not limited to gym, tech lab, fenced-in field or blacktop.

Release: Parent(s)/guardian(s) enter through the double doors in the rear of the school building (unless a sign directs parents to another location). Parents may use the doorbell located to the right of the door. Parents sign students out.

## 2023-2024 ST. PIUS X SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

Parents must submit the attached Registration Form in order for their child to participate in the Extended Day Program.

Child(ren)'s Name (s):
My child(ren) will be attending each week on the following days:
I have read this program handbook and agree to the terms this handbook. I also agree to abide by the payment plan as described herein.
Parent Name:
Parent Signature:
Date:

August 9, 2023



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Birthdays are an important moment in each child's life- a day to truly feel special. At school, the name(s) of student(s) celebrating their special day are announced over the intercom, and "Happy Birthday" or another special song is usually sung in the classroom. Some teachers read a birthday poem to the child, and a birthday crown helps recognize our younger students. The principal gifts each birthday student a religious item from a "Birthday Blessing Box".

Each birthday child gets an automatic "N.U.T. Day" on his/her birthday. "N.U.T." means "No Uniform Today". Birthdays that fall on the weekend or school vacation, may have a "NUT Day" before or after their birthday. Summer birthdays will have a "NUT Day" on a schoolwide summer birthday "NUT Day" chosen by the principal in the spring. Students will <u>not</u> receive a NUT Card but may just "dress down" (appropriately). *If we have Mass, no dress-downs are allowed*. Another day should be chosen.

Sugary treats such as cake or cupcakes are not part of the school birthday recognition. The increasing number of students with varied allergies and other health concerns precludes serving food items. If parents want to send in a non-food item for the class (like birthday pencils or stickers), they are most welcome to do so on the special day.

To protect the feelings of students, especially the younger ones, invitations for birthday parties and other parties outside school are distributed in the classroom only if <u>all</u> students are invited. We know inviting all students is not usually feasible. You may find contact information for your child's classmates in the *St. Pius X Student Directory* to assist you with party planning.

These policies allow us to celebrate and recognize a child's special day and ensure the health and well-being of all. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



August 9, 2023

Dear Parents,

In accordance with our Handbook, every student engaging in a sport activity needs to have a physical examination within 13 months of such sport.

A copy of a physical exam, dated on or after <u>August 2022</u> must be on file in our health office in order for your child to participate this season.

This information must be submitted by Tuesday, September 5, 2023.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely, Nick Corsi Athletic Director

## 2023 St. Pius X Middle School Fall Sports Information







All athletes must have all the following registration forms filled out and submitted to the school office by <u>Thursday</u>, <u>August 31</u>, <u>2023</u>.

## **ONLINE FORMS** - access forms via the Plus Portal

- 1. Student Athlete Information
- 2. Athlete Code of Conduct Agreement
- 3. Parental Consent/Release Agreement

## **PRINT OUT AND SUBMIT FORMS**

https://www.plusportals.com/SPXSchool - Click on "FORMS"

- 4. Injury/Concussion Reporting Form (link for the concussion form is located below the plus portal online forms)
- 5. Current Physical Exam Form all students participating in a sport activity need to have a physical examination within 13 months of the start of the sport season.
- 6. Athletic Fee Payment (link to pay online is located below the plus portal online forms)

Boys and Girls Soccer Gr. 5-8 - September 5th - October 26th

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday // Practice - Sandy Pond / Home Games - Peter Homer Park

Coed Cross Country Gr. 4-8 - September 6th - Oct. 19th

Wednesday and Thursday // Practice - Peter Homer Park

- All athletes will be expected to participate in all team practices, unless excused by a parent note/phone call to the coach. Students and parents are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner during all practices, games, and related activities.
- All athletes need transportation to practice and games (carpooling is helpful for working parents).



# ST. PIUS X SCHOOL AUGUST / SEPTEMBER MENU

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

	AUG 29	3	0	31	SEPT 1
	1) CHICKEN NUGGETS	1) HOT DOGS		1) CHEESE PIZZA	
	2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH	2) CHEESEBURGER	RS	2) FLUFF SANDWICH	NO SCHOOL
	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDW		3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	
	4) LARGE GREEK SALAD	4) CHEF SALAD		4) GARDEN SALAD	LABOR DAY WEEKEND
	Served w/ Mashed Potatoes	Served w/ Oven Fries		Served w/ Baked Chips	
	Corn, Fruit, Milk	Carrots, Fruit, Milk		Chickpea Salad, Fruit, DESSERT DAY	
4	5	6		7	8
	1) CHICKEN PATTY	1) PASTA W/ MEATBALLS		1) HOT DOGS	1) CHEESE PIZZA
NO SCHOOL	2) QUESADILLAS	2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH		2) CHEESEBURGERS	2) FLUFF SANDWICH
	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH		3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH
LABOR DAY	4) GREEK SALAD	4) CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD		4) CHEF SALAD	4) GARDEN SALAD
	Served w/ Rice, Broccoli, Fruit	Served w/ Garlic Bread		Served w/ Oven Fries	Served w/ Baked Chips
		Caesar Salad, Fruit, Milk		Carrots, Fruit, Milk	Chickpea Salad, Fruit, DESSERT DAY
11	12	13		14	15
1) POPCORN CHICKEN	1) CHICKEN PATTY	1) STUFFED SHELLS		1) HOT DOGS	1) CHEESE PIZZA
2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH	2) PIZZA CRUNCHERS	2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH		2) BACON EGG CHEESE	2) FLUFF SANDWICH
3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH		CROISSSANT	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH
4) LARGE CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD	4) GREEK SALAD	4) CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD		3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	4) GARDEN SALAD
Served w/ Mashed Potatoes	Served w/ Rice, Broccoli, Fruit	Served w/ Garlic Bread		4) CHEF SALAD	Served w/ Baked Chips
Corn, Fruit, Milk		Caesar Salad, Fruit, Milk		Served w/ Oven Fries	Chickpea Salad, Fruit, DESSERT DAY
				Carrots, Fruit, Milk	
18	19	20		21	22
1) CHICKEN TENDERS	1) CHICKEN PATTY	1) PASTA W/ MEATBALLS		1) HOT DOGS	1) CHEESE PIZZA
2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH	2) MOZZARELLA STICKS	2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH		2) MEATBALL SUBS	2) FLUFF SANDWICH
3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH		3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH
4) LARGE CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD	4) GREEK SALAD	4) CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD		4) CHEF SALAD	4) GARDEN SALAD
Served w/ Mashed Potatoes	Served w/ Rice, Broccoli, Fruit	Served w/ Garlic Bread		Served w/ Oven Fries	Served w/ Baked Chips
Corn, Fruit, Milk		Caesar Salad, Fruit, Milk		Carrots, Fruit, Milk	Chickpea Salad, Fruit, DESSERT DAY
25	26	27		28	29
1) CHICKEN NUGGETS	1) TACO TRIANGLES	1) LASAGNA		1) HOT DOGS	1) CHEESE PIZZA
2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH	2) BUFFALO CHICKEN PATTY	2) GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH		2) CHEESEBURGERS	2) FLUFF SANDWICH
3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH		3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH	3) SUNBUTTER & JELLY SANDWICH
4) LARGE CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD	4) GREEK SALAD	4) CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD		4) CHEF SALAD	4) GARDEN SALAD
Served w/ Mashed Potatoes	Served w/ Rice, Broccoli, Fruit	Served w/ Garlic Bread		Served w/ Oven Fries	Served w/ Baked Chips
Corn, Fruit, Milk		Caesar Salad	d, Fruit, Milk	Carrots, Fruit, Milk	Chickpea Salad, Fruit, DESSERT DAY
LUNCH PRICES			LUNCH TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE		
			10 LUNCHES for \$35.00		
FULL PRICE \$3.50			20 lunches for \$70.00		
REDUCED PRICE \$ .40			Payable by Check or Cash		
·			Please make checks payable to DYRSD		
THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER			*This menu is subject to change		

# STAY TUNED

FRIENDS of SPXS

## **WHO WE ARE**

Friends is the parent / caregiver led volunteer group that provides a way for school families to support our faculty, staff, and parish. Friends works to enhance the operation of the school through community building and fundraising. Friends strives to create a sense of belonging for our families and to align its purpose with the school's mission. Friends appreciates the time, talent, and treasure that you are comfortable sharing with our SPXS community.





## **WHAT TO EXPECT**



Communication on events & happenings



Important calendar dates



## **Meet the Board**

**President-** Kristen Chun (*Children in grades: 1, 4, 6, & 8*)

**Vice President-** Molly Barber (*Children in grades: 2 & 4*)

**Treasurer-** Meredith Puzio *(Children in grades: 2 & 4)* 

**Secretary-** Melissa Calhoun *(Children in grades: K, 3, & 5)* 



Contact us @ Friends@SPXSchool.org

## **Save the Date**

29 AUG

**TEARS & CHEERS**SPXS CAFETERIA 8AM

8 SEP

**BACK TO SCHOOL BASH** 

SPXS CAMPUS 5PM

28 SEP

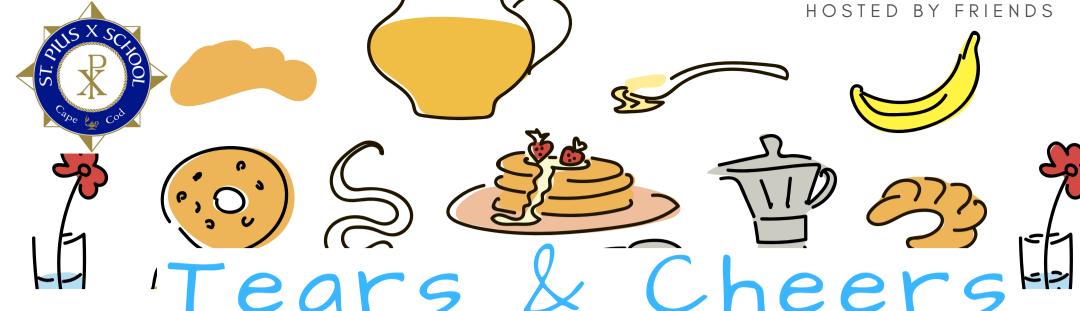
**PARENTS NIGHT OUT** 

Tugboats, West Yarmouth 6:30 PM

## FRIENDS of SPXS Newsletter

- Snapshot of events
- Coffee with Kent & Friends
- Reminders and resources
- Sign up information for volunteering

FRIENDS NEWSLETTER WILL BE SENT HOME QUARTERLY VIA EMAIL (MAILCHIMP)



Whether you're planning to shed a happy or sad tear. Please join us to kick-off the new school year!

Please join us after drop-off in the SPXS cafeteria for coffee and pastries.

## AUGUST 29th



Join us afterward, right down the hall, in the gym, as we ring in the new school year with a school wide assembly!



# St. Pius X School Spirit Rock

Do you want to say "Happy Birthday" in a unique way?

Reservations may be made to paint **the front of the rock** for \$15.00 per day. You may also reserve and pay for multiple days in succession. Step by step instructions on reserving the rock are provided on the Sign-Up Genius web page.

Please remember that you may only paint the front of the rock.

Just click on the link below and reserve your day!!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d45a4af2caafc1-spirit2#/