

# NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

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September 7, 2022

Two wonderful traditions will be held this upcoming Friday. House Sorting for our new Middle School students occurs, and there is much excitement in the air! Then we will attend Mass together in St. Pius X Church, at 9:30 with Fr. John presiding, and Mr. Girardin providing music. The first friends meeting is also this Friday at 8:00, and all who attend are invited to join us for Mass.

## Lower and Middle School Curriculum Night

You have the opportunity to see and hear from our special group of educators next Wednesday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>.

Our Curriculum Night begins at 6:00 in the Cafeteria.

At 6:15            Lower School parents/guardians will transition to a PreK-Gr. 4 class.  
Middle School parents/guardians will remain in the Cafeteria for a  
Middle School panel, where you will hear from all teachers.

At 6:40            Lower School parents/guardians may transition to another classroom  
they wish to visit.  
Middle School parents/guardians may visit Middle School  
classrooms or Lower School classes.

If you want to learn how to sign onto the Parent Portal, join Mrs. Vergakes in the Tech. Lab. Fourth grade parents and parents of new Middle School students, you should have received an email with your username and password. Mrs. Vergakes will walk you through using these to sign on.

I have been working on an alternate Foreign Language option and met with a number of parents yesterday regarding this. Currently, we have an instructor (Mrs. Carr) until November, after which the program will revert to Rosetta Stone, unless another instructor is located. An individual fee of \$89 will be assessed for Rosetta Stone, with a max of \$120 a family. French and Spanish will be Pass/Fail. Other concerns, including texts for French are being addressed. If you want Spanish and have not already sent in the form from last week- please do so by TOMORROW. Slots are limited, as space is tight. We are utilizing available locations, where seating is limited. Thank you to all who attended the meeting and offered their insights.

We WILL wear full dress uniforms for our first Mass. I realize some people are still awaiting uniform pieces. If you have a missing piece, you can check with the office. We do have some items on the clothesline.



September 7, 2022

**REMINDER**  
**BACK TO SCHOOL PAPERWORK**

If you have not completed the online forms, please do so immediately. **If you would like to be included in the Family Directory you must complete the online Directory form by Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.**

**COMPUTER SYSTEM & INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT**

All students in Grades 1-8 must sign the enclosed Computer System and Internet Acceptable Use Agreement. **Please return it to school immediately.**

**MASS**

Please join us for Mass at St. Pius X Church at 9:30am on Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Students **must** wear their full-dress uniform including sweater. No gym uniforms or sneakers. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

**REMINDER MORNING DROP – OFF PROCEDURES**

It is important for the students to get acclimated with the daily routine of the car line. All cars should enter by Wood Road and depart by way of Barbara Street. Please have your child(ren) wait until a staff member opens your vehicle door before they exit. For the children's safety we do not want children running up the front sidewalk. Be certain the cars in front of you have exited the drop off area before you pull away; do not pull around and pass other vehicles. Also, please do not drop your child(ren) off in the parking lots adjacent to the school. Please pull up to your designated drop off door so that he/she may come through those doors. \*\*Please place your child's car seat on the same side as the staff member. This will ensure that the lines move more quickly.

**REMINDER - CALENDAR DATES**

Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>  
Lower and Middle School Parents' Night

**CLOTHESLINE**

The Clothesline is open. If you are still looking for uniform items, you are welcome to visit anytime during school hours. We are also looking for donations. Please send in any gently used uniforms that no longer fit your child(ren).



DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER  
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ALLIANCE

## 2022-23 Contact and Photo Release waiver

### Parent Contact Information Release

Please initial **one** of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ I grant School permission to share my contact information with the Diocese of Fall River Catholic Schools Alliance (CSA) for the purpose of contacting me regarding matters relating to my school and/or other schools and diocesan wide news. I understand that my contact information will not be sold or shared with any other party.

\_\_\_\_\_ I DO NOT grant permission for my contact information to be shared to the Diocese of Fall River Catholic Schools Alliance (CSA)

### Student(s) Work/Photo/Video Release

Please initial **one** of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ I grant permission for my student's work, photo, video and/or name to be published in school and/or diocese-approved media outlets, including web-generated promotional resources and social media.

\_\_\_\_\_ I DO NOT grant permission for my student's work, picture, video, and/or name to be published.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_



**Diocese of Fall River  
Saint Pius X School - South Yarmouth  
Student**

**Computer System and Internet Acceptable Use Agreement**

School believes in the educational value of a computer system, the Internet and other technologies and recognizes their potential to support and enrich the curriculum and the student learning process. Our goal in providing a computer system, Internet access and other technologies is to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication. This agreement would apply to the use of individually owned technologies in the form of personal communication devices when used on school grounds, at school functions, or for school-related purposes. This agreement would also apply to school owned technologies used outside of school. Use of the computer system, the Internet and other technologies is a privilege and access entails responsibility. School cannot prevent the availability of all inappropriate material on the Internet and other technologies. The use of the system, Internet and other technologies is subject to this acceptable use agreement and the rules, regulations and policies of school, the Department of Education and the Diocese of Fall River. School supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for student computer system and Internet access and other technologies.

**Acceptable Use**

The computer system, Internet access and other technologies has been established for an educational purpose. The user understands and agrees to the following:

- The use of the system, the Internet and other technologies must be consistent with and in support of the educational goals and objectives of school's curriculum and mission statement.
- The use of any material in violation of any law is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trademark or trade secret.
- The purchase or sale of any product or service, or any other commercial use, is prohibited.
- The listing of any advertisements or political materials is prohibited.
- Illegal activities of any kind are prohibited.

**Behavior**

The user is expected to follow the generally accepted rules of computer use/Internet and other technologies etiquette. These rules include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Be polite. Always use the system in an ethical and respectful manner.
- Use appropriate language.
- User shall not reveal his/her name, home address, personal telephone number or any other personal information. User shall not reveal the personal information of any other person.
- User shall not disrupt or congest the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies in any manner.
- User shall not post anonymous messages.
- User shall not access, create, or distribute harassing, defaming, discriminatory, abusive, pornographic, fraudulent, obscene, racist, sexist, or threatening material or imagery.
- User shall not attempt to access blocked Internet sites.
- User shall only use school approved, licensed software and shall not use other programs or applications or download any information without the permission of the head of school.
- User shall not use the account or password (if the school assigns one) of another user or attempt to impersonate any other person.
- Confidential information should not be transmitted over the Internet or other technologies.
- User shall report any known or suspected misuse of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies to the head of school. User shall not make any false complaints against any other user.
- User shall not access any "chat rooms" unless access has been approved by the head of school.

**NOTE:** *User may be given an e-mail account on the computer system. User shall not sign up for or access any e-mail service offered through the Internet or other technologies. School explicitly prohibits user from having any access to any e-mail services unless it has been specifically approved for a limited time and purpose by the head of school. If user has been granted approval to use e-mail, user understands that e-mail is not private. Any messages received that relate to or are in support of illegal activities, or*

*that are prohibited by this acceptable use agreement, or that make the user feel uncomfortable, shall be reported immediately to the head of school. User shall not send messages or use the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies in any manner that they would not be comfortable seeing reproduced publicly.*

### **Services**

School makes no warranties of any kind, whether express or implied, with respect to the use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies. Use of any information obtained through the use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies is at the user's own risk. School does not accept any responsibility for the accuracy of information obtained through the Internet or other technologies or for any damage user may suffer as a result of use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies including but not limited to, loss of data or interruption of service. School is not responsible for any financial obligations arising from the unauthorized use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies.

### **Security**

Security on any computer system or other technologies system is a high priority. If a user identifies a security problem, he/she shall notify the head of school immediately, without discussing it or showing it to another person. Any user identified as a security risk will be subject to disciplinary action, up to, and, including expulsion.

### **Vandalism**

Vandalism includes, but is not limited to, any attempt to harm or destroy the computer system, hardware, software, or data of school, another user or of any other agency or network that is connected through the Internet or any other technologies. Vandalism will subject the user to disciplinary action, up to, and, including expulsion, and may involve a referral to appropriate law enforcement agencies.

### **Password**

If the school uses passwords, user understands that the password chosen is for personal use only and shall not be shared with any person, except as directed by school. The password may be changed at any time according to the needs of school.

### **Monitoring**

The computer system and all communications and information transmitted by, received from, or stored in the computer system or other technologies, including e-mail, are the property of the school. User should not expect that his/her use of the computer system, Internet and other technologies is private. User has no expectation of privacy in any use of the Internet or computer system or other technologies. School has the right, at any time, to access, monitor, and disclose any and all use of the computer system and Internet and other technologies, including but not limited to, back-up files, e-mail messages and the transmission, receipt or storage of information in the computer or other technologies as it deems necessary. Monitoring will be conducted to ensure system integrity and to ensure that all users are using the computer system and Internet and other technologies responsibly and according to this acceptable use agreement. **User acknowledges and expressly consents to school accessing, monitoring, and disclosing his/her use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies at any time at school's discretion.**

### **Termination**

School has the sole right at any time, with or without cause, to terminate or suspend any user's access to, and use of, the computer system and/or the Internet and/or other technologies.

### **Responsibility**

User understands that the computer system, the Internet, and other technologies are to be used only for educational purposes. Any violation of the terms of this acceptable use agreement may result in loss of computer system, Internet privileges, and other technologies disciplinary action, up to, and, including expulsion, and appropriate legal action.

The Internet and/or any other technologies links users around the world and provides access to a wide variety of information and resources. The law affecting the Internet and/or other technologies is developing and changing daily. No acceptable use agreement could identify each and every inappropriate use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies through school property. School is the sole judge of whether the use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies is consistent with this acceptable use agreement and its decision shall be final. If user is unsure whether use of the computer system, Internet or other technologies is appropriate, user shall confer with the head of school. School reserves the right to modify this acceptable use agreement at any time in any manner.

I have read this acceptable use agreement in its entirety. In consideration of granting me access to the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies, I agree to be governed by the provisions of this agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of User (Student)

\_\_\_\_\_  
User (Student) Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**PARENT/GUARDIAN**

As the parent or guardian of this user I have read this acceptable use agreement and understand that access to, and utilization of, school computer system, Internet access and other technologies is intended and designed for educational purposes. I understand that security cannot be made perfect and it is possible that an industrious user could make use of the computer system and Internet and/or other technologies for inappropriate purposes. I will instruct my child regarding the acceptable behavior and restrictions as noted in this acceptable use agreement and any additional restrictions that I may have. **I have specifically reviewed the monitoring section of this acceptable use agreement and expressly consent to school's accessing, monitoring, and disclosing this child's use of the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies at any time at school's discretion.**

I agree to release and hold school, the Department of Education, and the Diocese of Fall River, and their agents, employees, and representatives forever harmless and indemnified against and from any and all liability, loss, damages, costs, claims, and/or causes of action, including any legal fees in defending such claim, resulting from or arising out of this student's use of, or inability to use, the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies.

I also agree to release and hold school, the Department of Education, and the Diocese of Fall River, and their agents, employees, and representatives forever harmless and indemnified against and from any and all claims or right of actions for damages which this student has or hereafter may acquire either before or after the student has reached majority, including but not limited to property damage, and including any legal fees in defending such claim, resulting from or arising out of this student's use of, or inability to use, the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies.

I have read this acceptable use agreement in its entirety. In consideration of granting this student access to the computer system and/or Internet and/or other technologies, I agree to be governed by the provisions of this agreement.

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Print Name Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Lunch Duty Volunteers Needed!

**Do you want to see your children during their lunch period?**

Volunteering for lunch duty is a fun way to connect with your children and the school community.

**Times needed: 11am-12pm, 12pm-12:45pm (or both) Daily**

Please click on the link below to sign up!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F48AF2EA1FD0-stpius>

**Haven't done it before and have questions?**

Sign up on a Wednesday and Kristen Chun will show you the ropes or reach out to Meredith Puzio at [mclark8@hotmail.com](mailto:mclark8@hotmail.com) for more information.

**All volunteers must be CORI cleared.**

Visit the following link to view CORI requirements and begin the process.

[CORI Requirements - St. Pius \(spxschool.org\)](http://www.spxschool.org/CORI-Requirements)







**AUDITIONS**

*Beauty and the Beast*

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**

**2:30 - 4:30**



# Show Days: March 24 & 25

SPXS mounted a production of Beauty and the Beast in March 2020. Unfortunately, our opening night was the night that Covid shut down school for the remainder of the year. Our talented cast never got to perform after all of their hard work and dedication.

Due to this, we have offered first right of refusal to those students who previously held roles in the prior production. Therefore the following roles have already been cast and will not be available for auditions: Maurice, Lumiere, Cogsworth and Babette.

All other roles are open and will be auditioned on Monday. September 12 at 2:30PM. Auditionees should be prepared to sing an excerpt from the song Human Again.

Drama rehearsals will take place on Mondays and Tuesdays from 2:30 - 4:30. The cost for the drama program is \$150.00 for the year, which includes the cost of a cast t-shirt.

# SPXS Fall Golf Clinic

Grades 2-8



Join PGA Golf Pro Jim Campbell  
at Blue Rock Golf Course

48 Todd Rd South Yarmouth

**Thursdays, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, October 6<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup>**

**2:45 – 3:45pm**

**\$55/student (Limited to 10 students)**

**\*6 student minimum\***

If you have your own clubs, please bring them,  
otherwise Blue Rock will provide them.

**\*\* Parents must drive students to the course\*\***

Send attached form with cash or check payable to Friends of SPXS to school office.

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SPXS Lower School Golf Clinic

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_

— WELCOME —  
**BACK TO SCHOOL**

## **Friends of SPXS Meeting**

**Join us for our parent/caregiver organization's  
Back to School meeting!**

**Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am  
in the school cafeteria**

**All are welcome!**

Please park in the Lower Lot and  
sign in with Mrs. Shaw in the front office.

**Topics to discuss:**

- FRIENDS Board introductions (roles and responsibilities)
- Volunteer Opportunities- sign-ups for the many committees and needs throughout the year! Teacher Appreciation Committee, Clothesline Sales, Father-Daughter/Mother-Son events, Field Day, Catholic Schools Week, Grandparents/Special Persons Day, Christmas Parties, and Lunch Duty!
- School improvements/purchases over summer
- Fundraising
- Enrichment programs and events
- Ideas and suggestions for the upcoming school year!

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**Parents/Caregivers invited to attend the school Mass  
after the Friends' meeting at 9:30 at St. Pius X Church.**





## 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>



**Fall 2022**

# Rec Soccer

**For All Kids Age 3 ½ - Grade 5**

**Intro to Soccer:** Pee-Wee Soccer (Age 3 ½ - Pre-K)

Kindergarten

Saturday Practice & Games

**Rec Soccer :**

Grades 1 - 5

Games Saturdays & 1-2 Weekday Practices



**Fall Season: September 17th - November 12th**

**Mattacheese Middle School**

- \$100 for 1st child / \$90 each additional sibling
- Flexible payment plans & financial assistance available
- Soccer uniform provided. Must provide own shinguards

**Register @ YDSOCCER.ORG by Sept 8th**

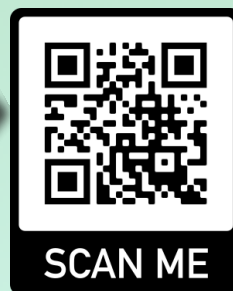
**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED. NO GAME DAY REGISTRATION.**

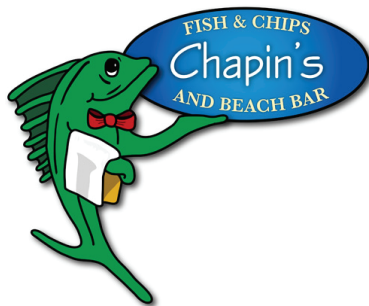
Need Help? Email: [registrar@ydsoccer.org](mailto:registrar@ydsoccer.org)

Registration Help Session: Wednesday, September 7th from 7 - 8 PM  
Cape Light Compact  
261 Whites Path, South Yarmouth

Volunteer Coaches Needed! Training Provided.  
Soccer Officials Wanted! Must be 14 +

**Need to Sign Up? Questions? Go To YDSOCCER.ORG**





# 14th Annual MM5K



## Run / Walk For Research

September 11th 2022 10 am Start time ,West Dennis Beach.

Race prizes sponsored by Marathon Sports, Yarmouth

**Visit [www.MightyMeehan.com](http://www.MightyMeehan.com) For Online  
Registration or to download application form.**

Preregistration and number pick up September 09th 2022 at Marathon Sports from 3 pm-6pm

Preregistration and number pick up September 10th 2022 at

Dennis Fire Department from 9 am-12 noon

Adult :18 and Over= \$25.00 , Children: 12-17=\$10, 7-11= \$5

Race day registration 8 am At West Dennis Beach.

Adult: 18 and Over= \$30.00 , Children: 12-17=\$10, 7-11 = \$5: Race Shirts , \$20.00

All age groups welcome and encouraged to participate

Post-race awards ceremony at Chapin's Fish 'n Chips

Lower County Rd. Dennisport.

Live Entertainment      Auction items

Suggested Donation of \$25.00. Race participants admitted free.

**Run For Research During Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month**

**[WWW.MIGHTYMEEHAN.COM](http://WWW.MIGHTYMEEHAN.COM)**