#### NOTES FROM THE OFFICE



### October 19, 2022

### PRINCIPALS for the DAY

This Monday I spent my favorite day of the year so far with two very lovely young ladies as we celebrated -

### Leighton and Hadley Puzio Principal for the DAY!

The day was full of demanding work, lots of laughs, some surprises for students, and lots of funespecially for me!







See our principals- hard at work at the principal's desk, delivering pencils with positive messages to each student and staff member, and writing teachers' names on something special! Thank you to the girls and the Puzio Family for making this special day a possibility!

### PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

**Parent-Teacher Conferences** are tomorrow and Friday. I am looking forward to seeing parents and guardians and am available if anyone needs to see me.

### After-Care

Unfortunately, Miss Meghan is relocating and will be leaving us soon. This will be a great loss, as she has been a wonderful coordinator for our program, and an all-round asset to the school. We wish her the best but will miss her.

I am currently looking for someone to fill this position. If you know of anyone who might be interested, have them email me at <a href="mailto:adailey@spxschool.org">adailey@spxschool.org</a>.

### **Our Lady of Victory Youth Group**

Open House/Game Night Friday, Oct 21st from 6-7:30 at the Parish Center 230 South Main St., Centerville Pizza, fun, and games.

Information will be provided on community service events, ski trip and more! Open to all youth grades 6 and up!

Reach out to Kristen Koch at <a href="kkoch99@gmail.com">kkoch99@gmail.com</a> with any questions.



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#### **INTERIM REPORTS**

Interim Reports for all students are being sent home electronically today. Please sign and return the acknowledgement card that is being sent home with your child(ren). If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

#### **EARLY DISMISSAL**

Students will be dismissed at 11:30 on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> and on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> for Parent-Teacher Conferences. **The Extended Day Program will be available on both days.** School lunch <u>will not</u> be served on these days. **Students attending the aftercare program on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> will need to bring lunch from home.** There will be no interruption in bus service. Buses will pick up students and depart from school at 11:30am.

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL CONFERENCES

If you have a child(ren) in Grades 5 - 8, please click on the link below to schedule your Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a48a8aa2ba6fa7-middle1

Mrs. Carr will be available on Thursday, October  $20^{th}$  from 11:30-3:00 for Spanish conferences. She will be located in the Chapel and an appointment is not needed to meet with her.

#### STUDY HALL

Study Hall will **NOT** be held on Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.

#### **EARLY DISMISSAL**

Students will be dismissed at 11:30 on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> for a Staff Professional Day. The Extended Day Program will be available on this day. School lunch will not be served so students attending the aftercare program must bring lunch from home.



#### **THANKSGIVING RECESS**

Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> - Students will be dismissed at 11:30am. The Extended Day Program will <u>NOT</u> be available on Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be no interruption in bus service. Buses will depart the school at 11:30.

School will  $\underline{NOT}$  be in session on Wednesday, November  $23^{rd}$ , Thursday, November  $24^{th}$ , and Friday, November  $25^{th}$ .



### ST. PIUS X SCHOOL

To Learn, To Grow, To Lead

Pre-K to 8th Grade

### Open House

November 9, 2022 • 4:30-6:30pm



Visit: www.spxschool.org for details

(508) 398-6112

321 Wood Rd., South Yarmouth, MA 02664 info@spxschool.org





### A special invitation for Third and Fourth Grade Families



# Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 you are invited to a special

Middle School Information Night

Join our Middle School staff to learn about Middle School life at SPXS!

Hear about:
 Teachers
 Academics
Liturgical Celebrations
 Athletics
Extracurriculars
Special Programs
House System
S.P.A.C.E
Service Projects and Opportunities
Dances and Social Events
and so much more!

Hear from the panel in the cafeteria, visit classrooms, and compete in a Middle School Scavenger Hunt with your child! We will close the night with an ice cream social.

### We Need You!



St. Pius X Parish helps to support our school! Every month parishioners generously contribute monetarily to SPXS through a special collection at Mass. These donations help our school and our students directly each year.

Now it is our turn to give back and say thank you. Once a month we would like families to sign up to volunteer at Mass. We are looking for students to read (explanation of the second collection), greet and simply be a presence. This is our way to say thank you, and to let our parishioners know that we are indeed a strong part of their community, as they are a part of ours.

We need your help with our next Mass, on <u>November 5th and 6th</u>. Simply click on the link below to sign up. Families may choose one Mass to attend and will have the option to choose the role most appropriate for them.

Students must be accompanied by an adult and in full dress uniform. Middle school students who volunteer are eligible for service hours. If you have any additional questions please contact Mrs. Joanna Ryder (<a href="mailto:iryder@spxschool.org">iryder@spxschool.org</a>).

All SPXS families are welcome to participate. Families do not have to be St. Pius X parishioners to sign up.

Thank you for your support!

Sign up now! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4CAFA628A6F85-spxs1

### FROM THE NUTSE



### KEEP HALLOWEEN FUN SAFE AND (SOMEWHAT) HEALTHY!

### ALL DRESSED UP:

- Make sure that shoes fit well and that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement or contact with flame.
- Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and trick-or-treat bags for greater visibility.
- Because masks can limit or block eyesight, consider non-toxic makeup a safer alternative. Hats should fit properly to prevent them from sliding over eyes..
- Look for costumes and accessories with labels clearly indicating they are flame resistant.
- Ensure swords, canes, or sticks are not sharp or long.
- Review with children how to call 9-1-1 if they ever have an emergency or become lost.

#### HOME SAFE HOME:

- To keep homes safe for visiting trick-or-treaters, parents should remove from the porch and front yard anything a child could trip over such as garden hoses, toys, bikes and lawn decorations.
- Parents should check outdoor lights and replace burned-out bulbs.
- Wet leaves or snow should be swept from sidewalks and steps.
- Restrain pets so they do not inadvertently jump on or bite a trick-or-treater.

### ON THE TRICK-OR-TREATTRAIL:

- A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children on their neighborhood rounds.
- Obtain flashlights with fresh batteries for all children and their escorts.

- If your older children are going alone, plan and review the route that is acceptable to you. Agree on a specific time when they should return home.
- Only go to homes with a porch light on and never enter a home or car for a treat.
- Remain on well-lit streets and use sidewalks when possible
- Only cross the street as a group in established crosswalks .Never cross between parked cars or out driveways.

### HEALTHY HALLOWEEN

- A good meal prior to parties and trick-or-treating will discourage filling up on Halloween treats.
- Consider purchasing non-food treats for those who visit your home, such as coloring books or pens and pencils.
- Wait until children are home to sort and check treats. Though tampering is rare, a
  responsible adult should closely examine all treats and throw away any spoiled,
  unwrapped or suspicious items.
- Try to ration treats for the days and weeks following Halloween.

<sup>\*</sup>for more information visit AAP.org

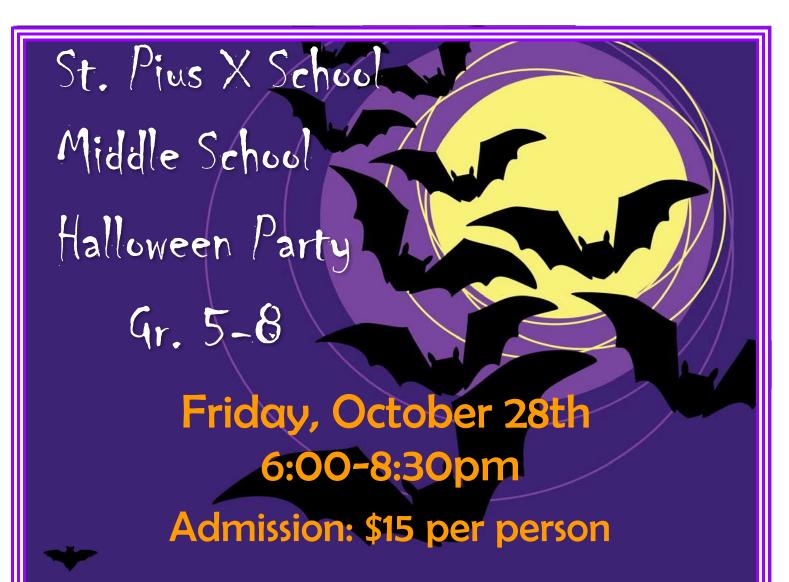


Monday, October 31, 2022

Students will celebrate Halloween on Monday,
October 31! Students in **Grades PK - Grade 8**may dress in Halloween colors (orange, black,
purple) on this fun day.

Students in PK, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 may bring their Halloween costume (school appropriate costumes only - no scary masks, weapons, etc.) to school for our Halloween Parade. The parade will begin at 1:15pm and parents are welcome to attend.

Students in Grades 2-8 will celebrate in their classrooms.



Pizza, snacks, and water will be provided.

Please click on the link below to register and pay for your child(ren) to attend the Middle School Halloween Dance.

Online registration must be completed by Thursday, October 27th.

https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/HalloweenDance

School appropriate costumes

Drop off and pick up at the back cafeteria doors





### GRANDPARENTS DAY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 11:45 AM TO 2 PM

Grandparents Day is back! Friends of SPXS welcomes the students to invite their Grandparents or Grandfriends for an afternoon filled with light refreshments, bingo and bonding!

Grandparents are asked to arrive at the Parish Life Center at 11:45am to check in and enjoy a light lunch. After lunch, they will guided by volunteers to join their Grandchildren. The day's festivities will be over by 2pm. If a Grandparent cannot attend, please feel free to invite a special friend such as an aunt, uncle or grandfriend!

### RSVP BY TUESDAY, OCT 25TH

To register your child's grandparent or grandfriend, please click on the link below.

https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/GrandparentsDay

### 8th Grade Fundraiser is Back

Our annual Pie and Cookie sale is happening now through October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Get your orders in with any 8th grade student or visit the web page.

https://your.mcmfundraising.com/2022-fall-st-pius-x-school-south-yarmouth/8th-grade-class/





### **COACH CORSI'S SUPER SPORTS**



A chance to learn and practice sport skills to improve your game.

Players will improve their sports skills through game play with friends! Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball, Floor Hockey, and more.

Mondays, 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5, & 12/12 2:15-3:30pm

\$55/student (limited to 16 students)

Please sign up by Friday, October 28th

Students must bring a water bottle and wear athletic clothing and sneakers.

Pick up in the front of the school.

Send in bottom portion with cash or check made payable to "Friends of SPXS" by Friday 10/29.

	Coach Corsi's Super Sports
Student:	Grade:
Student:	Grade:

### Fine Art Class with Mrs. Maker



Wednesdays 11/2, 11/16, 11/30 & 12/7
after school 2:30-3:30 at SPXS
Grades 5-8
\$60/student
Limited to 12 Students

(6 student minimum)

With degrees in Fine Arts/Painting and Elementary Art and Elementary Education, Mrs. Maker will teach the students the proper techniques in sculpture making. "Angelic Christmas Sculptures," will be the focus. The class will create Christmas angels, made from fabrics, wire, styrofoam and clay. These angels will become a family classic that will be displayed in your home each year!

At the end of four weeks of exciting art education, your child will take home his/her beautiful "Angelic Christmas Angel!"

Please pack a nut free/sunflower free snack and water bottle for your student to have prior to class beginning.

Pick up will be in the front of school.

Please fill out below and send in with a check payable to <u>Friends of SPXS</u> .		
Fine Art with Mrs. Maker		
Name(s):	Grade(s):	
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## SPXS TENNIS ACADEMY



🙀 At Mid-Cape Athletic Center



### **Session 1:**

**Session 2:** 

**Session 3:** 

### 3pm to 4pm

- Grades 1 8 (Beginner + Intermediate)
- \$145/student/per session, pay at Mid-Cape on first day
- Parent/Caregiver must provide own transportation to 193 Whites Path. South Yarmouth

11/3, 11/17, 12/1,12/8, 12/15 **Jan 5<sup>th</sup> to Feb 9<sup>th</sup> (no 1/26) Feb 16<sup>th</sup> to Mar 30<sup>th</sup> (no 2/23)** 

- No SPXS Faculty/Staff in Attendance.
- Held by Mid-Cape Athletic Center Pros.
- Bring own racquet or racquets available for loan or purchase.

Return to Mrs. Shaw, by Monday, October 31st

Mid Cape Tennis Session 1 (11/3, 11/17, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15): Sign up
Student Name(s):
Grade(s):

Please pay Mid-Cape Tennis directly.





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#### Dear Parents and Families:

We're excited to invite you to our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair.

Hosted by our staff, this event is an opportunity for students of all ages to build their home libraries and further their love of reading.

As always, all purchases benefit our school.

After missing out on many beloved traditions, our fall Book Fair will be a familiar, welcome, and safe event for our students. Here's what you need to know about the Fair, which will take place from October 20-21, 2022 in the SPXS gymnasium.

- Our Book Fair offers **eWallet**, a safe and secure alternative to cash. Simply create a free account to add funds and/or invite family and friends to contribute so your child can select their own books. Any unused funds can be spent at The Scholastic Store Online or to fund a future eWallet.
- If you can't make it to the Fair, then **shop online at our school's Virtual Book Fair**. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Your online orders will also benefit our school.

We're excited to celebrate our love of books together at the Book Fair. We look forward to seeing your child there! Parents will be able to visit the book fair during conferences till 3:00 on Thursday and 4:00 on Friday!

Happy reading,

Judith C. Werner M.Ed

Librarian

**Book Fair Coordinator** 

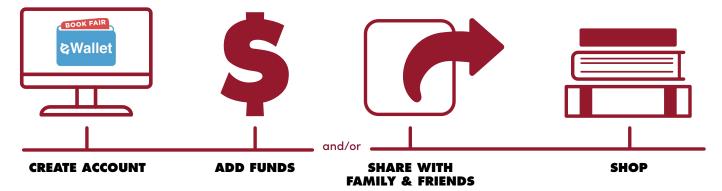
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### **BOOK FAIRS**

### CONVENIENT, CASH-FREE SHOPPING WITH eWALLET!

It's Book Fair Time! This year, say hello to **eWALLET!** Empower students to choose their own books and check out with their very own digital payment account. Book Fair eWallet can be used at the Fair or online. And any leftover funds can be saved for future Fairs! Win-Win!



Visit our school's Book Fair homepage to get started.

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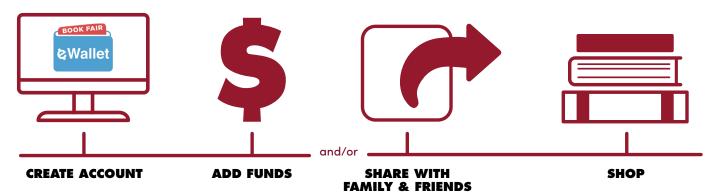
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### **!!** ATTENTION STUDENTS **!!**

Cape Cod Cares for our Troops is in need of Christmas Cards which will be included in the Care Packages they send to Troops serving overseas.

If your family would like to participate, please have your child make a card or cards and send them into school. These will be included in the care packages sent out in late November.



# ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!

Any child who is at least in 4th grade and has received his or her First Holy Communion is invited to become a Youth Altar Server.

All servers must complete training.

Interested?

Please contact the Faith Formation Office 508-394-0709 or stpiusxreled@comcast.net





Volunteer to Host a
Trunk!

Bring the kids!

### St Pius X 5th Annual Trunk or Treat Monday, October 31st

Instead of going house to house trick-or-treating,
kids will go from car to car (trunk to trunk!)

Adults will pass out treats from the trunk or tailgate of their vehicle.

All "trunks" need to be set up and ready to "treat" by 5:30 pm.

If you would like to participate by providing your "trunk" please call the

Religious Education office 508-394-0709 or email

stpiusxreled@comcast.net

When: Monday, October 31st from 5:30-7:30 pm

Where: SPX Parking lot
Who: Kids

We need:

KIDS to come and "trunk"-ortreat

Adults to bring their cars and to pass out treats

MAKE IT FUN...decorate your trunk for the occasion



## RIPTIDE RUNNING CAPE COD

A competitive youth running team for girls and boys ages 10\* - 18

# JOIN US FOR USA TRACK & FIELD CROSS COUNTRY JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Riptide athletes have qualified for Junior Olympics Nationals every year since 2015

Monday/Thursday 4:15 - 5:30 PM Saturday 9:00 - 10:30 AM

November 3-December 8, 2021 \$225\*\*

November 14-December 8, 2021 \$150\*\*

Includes 3x per week training sessions, online coaching, and race registrations



In-person training sessions held at Dennis-Yarmouth RHS, S. Yarmouth

Head Coach Justin Torrellas Member, Team USA (Modern Pentathlon)

**REGISTER NOW...** 

www.RiptideRunning.com

#### Financial aid available

- Athletes under 10 considered on a case-by-case basis
- \*\* USATF membership and uniform additional

Riptide is a non-profit project of the Andrea Holden Foundation RiptideRunningCapeCod@gmail.com



