

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

April 14, 2021

Last week I asked you to pray for school families that needed our prayers. They included the family of Lilly Ghilardi in Gr. 8. Sadly, Lilly's mom, Keri Gelnett passed away this week after a year-long illness. Lilly recently wrote a most-beautiful essay about her mother that she read aloud at the Pro-Life Mass.

Please continue to pray for Lilly and her family, and the others in our school community who need prayers at this time.

I am looking for a nurse to pitch in when Mrs. Agurkis attends her daughter's college graduation! We need assistance May 7, 10, and 11. If you are a nurse and can pitch in one or more of these days, please contact the school office. Thank you.

NOMINATE YOUR FAVORITE SCHOOL MEMBER

The Catholic Schools Alliance of the Fall River Diocese is highlighting the members of our school communities who are dedicated to making our schools the best they can be. You can complete a form to nominate a teacher, student, parent, or administrator from your school. Each month features community members, recognizing their service to and love for their school.

Several members of our SPXS amazing staff have already received well-deserved nominations. They include:

Karen Petrie
Debbie Bourque
Katherine Duvall

Nominate another staff member at this link!

<https://www.catholicschoolsalliance.org/nominate/>

Remote Learning

Opportunities for remote instruction are for students who:

- have already been participating for the full year and whose families wish to complete the year in this manner.
- are quarantining due to COVID. This applies only to students quarantining because they were close contacts, or because they tested positive.
- experience an extended health situation, and cannot attend school, but are healthy enough to participate in class and complete work.

Either of the two scenarios above requires testing results or a doctor's note for return to school.

- are members of a class where the entire class is quarantining and learning remotely.
- are quarantining as part of the school community if the entire school went into quarantine.

Having the ability for students to learn remotely will serve us, if needed, but will not be an optional education choice in the future.

Field Trips

The state is recommending virtual field trips, and some classes are considering this path. For Middle School, there are a couple of trips or events currently being reviewed at the diocesan level:

- Mr. Mason is planning three Grade 8 getaway days- two local and one in Boston, May 26th-28th
- Mrs. Duvall has planned a Gr. 5-7 trip to the Cape Cod Museum of Natural History in Brewster for May 27th
- The Gr. 5 day trip to the Seashore. This would be a single-day experience, one date for 5D and another for 5G in the first week of June. It appears Gr. 6 will also be offered one day to participate, as they missed out on it last year!

The last day of school for students is Tuesday, June 15th, and for teachers it is Wednesday, June 16th. The end is near!



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SUMMER UNIFORMS

Please note that effective **Monday, April 26th**, students are able to wear the Summer Uniform in addition to the Standard Uniform. The listing of the Summer Uniform can be found below.

GRADE 5-8		
Boys	Short	Uniform company khaki walking short
	Shirt	Navy polo with school logo
		Tan or navy crew sock
Girls	Skort	Uniform company khaki skort
	Shirt	Navy polo with school logo
		Navy knee sock
GRADES PK-4		
Boys	Short	Uniform company navy walking short
	Shirt	Light blue polo with school logo
		Navy crew sock
Girls	Skort	Uniform company navy skort
	Shirt	Light blue polo with school logo
		Navy knee sock or white ankle sock

UNIFORMS

J.B. Pride Uniforms is having a fitting day for St. Pius X students on Saturday, May 1st from 10:00 – 4:00pm at their Weymouth store. Please see the attached uniform information sheets.

MAP TESTING

MAP Testing will be held between Monday, May 10th and Friday, May 21st.



DATES FOR THE END OF THE YEAR

On Tuesday, June 15th students will be dismissed at 11:30; the teachers will then have planning sessions for next year.

June 4 th	Final day for 8 th grade students
June 10 th	PK Celebration at 9:30am and final day for PK students
June 10 th	Kindergarten Graduation at 12:30pm and final day for Kindergarten students
June 15 th	Final day for grades 1 – 7 - 11:30am dismissal

Dear Parents,

I wanted to reach out to you about our children and technology. We are the first generation to navigate parenthood with technology and it can be really difficult to figure out where the boundaries are. There are so many gifts we have received from technology like remote learning, educational tools, social connection etc. However, with this gift comes new challenges and responsibilities no one has had before. My biggest concern right now is our children innocently stumbling into inappropriate content that their brains aren't ready for. I have heard from so many students who have accidentally seen things they don't understand and it has left them feeling shame and fear. Sadly, they suffer silently with this experience because they feel it is something they did wrong and are ashamed to share what they saw. When we hand our children an unfiltered device we are handing them something they don't know how to navigate safely on their own. The combination of natural childhood curiosity and the unfiltered web can be a dangerous combination. Not only is the problem natural curiosity and mislead searches, but our children are victims of inappropriate pop ups (especially in game apps). Once a child innocently clicks on an inappropriate pop up they are bombarded with more and more. Seeing adult images at these young ages is very shocking and disturbs their innocence. Luckily, we have solutions for this. There are amazing apps we can put on our devices to filter out all adult content. My favorite is Our Pact, but there are many others that are great like Famisafe, Net Nanny, Net Blocker -Freedom etc. "Protect Young Minds" is a great site for helpful articles and resources, and "Good Pictures Bad Pictures: Porn-Proofing Today's Young kids" is a very helpful book. Putting these filters on our devices will keep our children safe, and our minds at ease. If you ever need any help setting up these filters just give me a call. I am more than happy to get things set up for you!

There are two amazing documentaries dealing with this important topic:

"The Social Dilemma" on Netflix

"Childhood 2.0" on Amazon Prime

I think every parent has a responsibility to watch them so we can be truly aware of what is going on with our children. Call me anytime with any questions!

Kate Martin (Middle School Guidance Counselor)

Exciting FUNdraising Raffles for Future FUNraising and School Support!

We are pleased to launch the online St. Pius X School 2021 Spring Fundraiser with these exciting raffle opportunities:

★ \$25 per chance to win \$1,000-worth of MA Lottery Scratch Tickets – imagine the potential windfall! (Thank you to Foran Realty/Foran Family for donating the lottery tickets.)

★ \$100 per chance for FREE tuition for one SPXS student for the 2021-2022 school year.

★ \$100 per chance to win a SPXS “VIP Experience” (each entry four chances to win each of these special school experiences):

*Principal for the Day – Your child(ren) will spend the day helping Mrs. Dailey run the school for a day!

*Gym Teacher for the Day - Your child(ren) will spend the day helping Mr. Corsi run Gym classes for a day!

*Day off from school - Declare an extra day off from school around a weekend or vacation! Date to be mutually agreed upon with SPXS and determined before 8/1/2021.

*In the Front Row - front row seating for 8 people at the 2021-2022 SPXS events (Christmas Concert, Christmas Pageant, Pre-K Christmas Pageant, Stations of the Cross, Lower School Play, Middle School Play, Spring Concert, Grade 8 Graduation).

Donations to this year’s **Fund-A-Need** will enhance guidance services and curriculum, supporting the social-emotional well-being of the students.

For raffle ticket purchases and Fund-A-Need donations, please click here:

<https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/Tickets>

Raffle Drawings will be held on Friday, May 21st!

Please [SHARE THE LINK](#) with family and friends! Your generosity directly supports SPXS in a variety of ways! We are so grateful for every purchase and donation.

Please contact Lori Boghdan (l.boghdan@comcast.net) with any questions.

THANK YOU!!!



SPXS GOLF Athlete Registration Form

Location: Bayberry Hills Golf Course, West Yarmouth

When: Mondays and Wednesdays - May 3rd-26th

Time: 2:30-3:30pm

Spring 2021

Athletic Participation Information and Requirements:

Athletes Name: _____ **Parent Name(s):** _____

Grade (2020-2021): _____ **Age:** _____

Email: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Home Address: _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Registration for Sport: (Please select one of the following choices)

- COED GOLF (4th-8th Graders)**

Registration for each athlete will be processed after all requirements below have been submitted to the school:

- \$60 - COED GOLF Athletic Fee Payment**
- Current Medical Physical Form**
- Pre-Participation Concussion Form**
- Athletic Code of Conduct Agreement Form**
- Athlete Parental Consent Agreement Form**

• 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 is a participating school of the Cape Cod Super Six Middle School Conference (est.2015)



Registration Form due date - Monday, April 26th

AUGUST 2 - 5

GIRLS & BOYS BASKETBALL CLINIC

SPONSORED BY
ST. JOHN PAUL II
HIGH SCHOOL



LOCATED IN THE JP II GYM

Open to students entering K through Grade Seven
Full-Day Clinic 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.....\$275
Half-Day Clinic 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.....\$150

\$25 OFF SIBLING DISCOUNT

Space is limited to 50 participants.

BYOB - BRING YOUR OWN BASKETBALL

Participants should bring drinks, snacks, and lunch.
Snacks, drinks, and pizza may also be purchased at the canteen.

Contact Coach Fazzi for questions at rfazzi@jp.dfrcs.org

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Participants may signup online or send a check payable and mailed to:
St. John Paul II High School
Attn: Basketball Clinic
120 High School Road
Hyannis, MA 02601

**ALL CURRENT COVID
RULES WILL BE IN PLACE**

Staff



Director, Former College
Head Coach and Current St.
John Paul II HS Coach and
Athletic Director, Rich Fazzi



Co-Director, St. Pius X School,
Athletic Director, Nick Corsi



Co-Director, Dean College
Associate Head Coach, Joe Cabral

Coming Soon!

St. Pius X In-Store Fitting!

Enjoy your summer vacation! Don't cut your summer short worrying about your BACK-TO-SCHOOL checklist.

Join us for St. Pius X's In-Store Fitting! Place your uniform order early!

JB Pride Uniforms
Is Excited to Announce
Your School's In-Store Fitting
Is Coming Soon!



**JB PRIDE
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WEAR IT WITH **PRIDE**



We will be hosting St. Pius X at our Weymouth location

**Address: 1471 Main Street
Weymouth MA, 02190**

Date: Saturday 5/1/2021

Time: 10am - 4pm



If for any reason you need a different size before school starts, unworn, unwashed uniforms can be exchanged at the JB Pride Uniforms location that serves your school.

A portion of the proceeds from your order will be contributed to your school.

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JB Pride Uniforms will recognize health and safety practices in the following ways:

- All employees and customers are **REQUIRED** to wear a facemask in the store.
- Social distancing **will** be practiced limiting customers in the store at one time.
- Due to COVID restrictions, we request only **ONE** parent per student attend the fitting.

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South Weymouth, MA 02190
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West Roxbury
28 Corey Street
West Roxbury, MA 02132
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Woburn
39 Cummings Park
Woburn, MA 01801
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