NOTES FROM THE OFFICE May 12, 2021

Spirit Week

A big week is ahead, as the students of SPXS express their school spirit through the week, with some simple and enjoyable ways to put some fun into our school year!

Pancreatic Cancer Action Network

Next Wed., a Memorial Mass will be celebrated for Keri Gelnett, mother of Lilly Ghilardi at 10:00 at St. Pius X Church. Our seventh and eighth grade students will attend the Mass, which will be livestreamed. We will assist the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network that day, asking students to accessorize their uniforms with purple for a minimum donation of \$2.00. All funds will go the action network. Thank you for your generosity.

MAP Testing

MAP Testing began this past week, thanks to the efforts of **Amy Abercrombie**, who oversees this process. Students have been attentive and cooperative. The tests will continue through next week, so please make every effort to be certain they are here!

One Week to Go

The SPXS Spring FUNDraising/FUNraising Raffle has one week to go-don't miss out on the exciting opportunities offered, including a possible chance to be a millionaire! Go online to <u>https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/springfundraiser</u> for tickets and chances. Good luck!!!

Seat Belts

We have had a bit more carpooling as of late. People have been vaccinated and are expanding their Covid pods to include other families, and other drivers. Please make certain that if you are picking up additional children, or others are picking

up yours, that you follow the safety regulations of Massachusetts as outlined below:

All children riding in passenger motor vehicles must be in a federally approved child passenger restraint that is properly fastened and secured according to the manufacturer's instructions until they are 8 years old OR over 57 inches tall.

When children outgrow their booster seats (usually around age 8, but more importantly, when they are taller than 57 inches), they must wear a seat belt that is properly adjusted and fastened according to the manufacturer's instructions until the age of 13.

Bragging Rights

As of this morning, nine of the nineteen nominees on the May diocesan CSA page were members of our SPXS staff! Thank you to those who nominated us, and many thanks to all who give so much here each day! You can view the page at https://www.catholicschoolsalliance.org/nominees/ or nominate another staff member at https://www.catholicschoolsalliance.org/nominate/.



May 12, 2021

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 $1 - 7 - 11:30$ am dismissal

LUNCH MENU CHANGE

On Thursday, May 20th an Italian sub will be served instead of a Roast Beef sub.



Unfortunately allergy symptoms and COVID can overlap. Please see the quick reference guide below to help. HOWEVER, St Pius X continues to follow the COVID guidelines we have been using all year.

Students with at least 2 of the following symptoms: fever, chills, headache, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, congestion runny nose

or

At least 1 of the following: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new smell or taste disorder

Must remain home until

- a medical provider has determined a different illness/cleared your student for school
- The student has a negative PCR test result

or

• the student has remained isolated for 10 days from symptom onset and has been at least 24 hours symptom free

COMMON SYMPTOMS FOR ALLERGIES, COLD, FLU & COVID-19

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SYMPTOMS	ALLERGIES	COLD	FLU	COVID-19
BODY ACHES	Rarely	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
CHILLS	No	No	\checkmark	\checkmark
FEVER	No	Rarely	\checkmark	\checkmark
HEADACHE	Sometimes	Sometimes	\checkmark	Sometimes
NASAL CONGESTION	\checkmark	\checkmark	Sometimes	Sometimes
RUNNY NOSE	\checkmark	\checkmark	Sometimes	Rarely
SNEEZING	\checkmark	\checkmark	Sometimes	Rarely
ITCHY/WATERY EYES	\checkmark	No	No	No
DRY COUGH	Sometimes	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
SHORTNESS OF BREATH	Sometimes	Sometimes	Sometimes	\checkmark
WHEEZING	Sometimes	Sometimes	Sometimes	Sometimes
LOSS OF SMELL	Mild	Rarely	Rarely	\checkmark
SORE THROAT	Sometimes	\checkmark	\checkmark	Sometimes
NAUSEA, VOMITING, DIARRHEA	No	Sometimes	Sometimes	Sometimes

ALLERGY PRETREATMENT IS BEST

Allergy pretreatment is simple: start taking your medicine a few weeks before the allergy season starts. While they might vary by a week or so from year to year, the pollen seasons are really quite predictable. So if you know the allergens that trigger your allergies, get a jump on them.

By taking medicine early, you can prevent the inflammation from starting. The drugs block the histamine receptors and the histamine can't bind with the cells. Hence, no inflammation and no symptoms -- or at least fewer symptoms.

CONTROL YOUR ENVIRONMENT

Close windows Put a/c on filter mode Shower/rinse after being outdoors: Hair, clothes, shoes collect pollen after you've been outside Don't sleep with your pet Change your pillowcase daily/frequently to avoid breathing in pollen



There is just <u>ONE WEEK</u> left to purchase raffle tickets for the SPXS Spring '21 Fundraiser and every single dollar counts! The drawings will be on Friday, May 21st.

https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/Tickets

PLEASE go to this link to purchase raffle tickets and/or make a donation to the very important Fund-A-Need for additional guidance services. Other ways you can HELP..."like" and "share" our posts on social media and text/email the link to friends/family. Those "lottery dreams" are certainly shared by all! ⁽²⁾

St. Pius X School has done an EXCEPTIONAL job this year with continued academic excellence, while also handling health and safety protocols to keep our children safe. This FUNDraiser is more important than ever to help defray some of the unexpected costs AND to provide some FUN-raising next year.

To those of you who have supported this effort already – THANK YOU! THANK YOU for your sponsorships, raffle ticket purchases, donations, and social media engagement. I did a little happy dance over EVERYTHING!

I am consistently PROUD of what our little school community can accomplish when everyone participates in small and big ways. WE CAN DO THIS – virtually, but TOGETHER!

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

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

Please <u>SHARE THE LINK</u> 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!!!



FREE TUITION RAFFLE

The Friends of SPXS are raffling off **FREE tuition** for ONE student for the 2021-2022 school year! Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased here: <u>https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/Tickets</u>

There is NO limit to the number of tickets that can be purchased. The raffle drawing will be held on May 21, 2021.

Exciting FUNDraising Raffles!

These SPXS "VIP Experiences" often go for THOUSDANDS during the live auction portion of the annual Spring Gala. This year, a chance to WIN one of these is much more affordable and just as exciting!

Each \$100 ticket is an entry to win one of these four special experiences:

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

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THANK YOU!!!

Who Wants a CHANCE to Be a Millionaire?



The Friends of SPXS are raffling off a chance to win **\$1,000** in MA State Lottery Scratch Tickets!

\$25 per chance to win the ENTIRE bundle. Only 1,000 raffle tickets will be sold. How do you like those odds?!*

https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/Tickets

Drawing will be held on 5/21/21.

THANK YOU to the Foran Family/Foran Realty for generously donating the scratch tickets!

A Special Message from Parker Philbrick: Dress Down Day *"Sports Theme" "Oregan Contemportation of the contemport o*

Friday, May 14th

Cost: No cost Thank Parker Philbrick and his family!

Show your love for a specific sport or sports team. Dress to represent a team you play for or a team or player that you love to watch play. Dress and footwear must be appropriate for a St. Pius X School day.

The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network Day

Wednesday, May 19th

add <u>Purple</u> to your uniform

Cost: a minimum \$2.00 donation

Please consider donating more for this special cause!

A donation will be made in memory of Keri Gelnett, mother of Lillian Ghilardi.



Dress must be appropriate for St. Pius X School



The 2020-2021 Yearbook is being published.

Don't miss out!

Cost: \$40.00 (payment must accompany order)

All grades are depicted in the yearbook.

Please order online via the below link.

https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/yearbook2021

Any questions - please email Mrs. Shaw at ashaw@spxschool.org.

Dear Parents,

Order your student's school supplies from the comfort of your home. Skip the stores and safely purchase your child's school supplies to prepare for when school resumes.

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St. Pius X School

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Kit Pick Up: In classroom on first day of school

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Grade	Price
1st Grade	\$20.00
2nd Grade	\$42.00
3rd Grade	\$35.00
4th Grade	\$65.00
5th Grade	\$76.00
6th Grade	\$76.00
7th Grade	\$76.00
8th Grade	\$55.00
Kindergarten	\$40.00

**Kit components may be viewed online. All sales are final. No returns or refunds **

Important Parent Notes

For questions, please contact Nicole at nicolelibby@icloud.com.

*Optional Purchase Item Articulos de compra opcionales					
The items listed below are optional and are not included in the supply kits. You may purchase these items through SchoolKidz or provide your own.					
Item #	Brand / Product Description	Grade / Class	Price		
255001	Calculator, TI-108, 8 Digit, Solar	6th Grade	\$8.00		
255003	Calculator, TI3OX IIS, Scientific, 54 Func, 2 Line, Dual Power	7th & 8th Grade	\$20.00		
255007	Calculator, TI 503SV, Large Display, Basic, Battery	5th Grade	\$5.00		



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Your child's summer will be fun-filled, seriously supervised and educationally enriched.

Available: Monday- Friday Beginning: June 28 - August 20

Please e-mail me here at school: kduvall@spxschool.org or text/call: 508-280-0135 Join the Fun!!



THE STEAMSHIP AUTHORITY invites K-12 students to submit original artwork for its annual "Sail into Imagination" student art contest.

Winning entries will be featured in a 2022 Steamship Authority calendar and will be displayed on the Steamship's website and select ferries. Gift cards for Steamship Authority passenger travel will also be awarded to 13 student winners from any town on Cape Cod, plus residents of Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket, Fairhaven or New Bedford.

Original artwork and entry form should be mailed to: Steamship Authority Art Contest, c/o Marketing Department, 509 Falmouth Road, Suite C, Mashpee, MA 02649 or delivered to a Steamship Authority terminal.

Return entry form and photos of artwork by email to: sailintoimagination@steamshipauthority.com.

Original entries must not be folded and framed art must be able to be removed in order to be reproduced. All entries must be received no later than June 1, 2021.

Please visit SteamshipAuthority.com/sailintoimagination

for official rules and entry instructions.



Our organization does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, gender identity, disability, religion, marital status, national origir age, sexual orientation or any other class protected by federal, state or local law.



"Sail into Imagination" Student Art Contest ENTRY FORM/RELEASE

Title of Submission				
Student Name				
Home Address	City/State/Zip			
Age Grade Parent/Guardian	Name			
Phone	Email			
School Name	Principal			
Teacher Name				
School Address	City/State/Zip			
Phone	Email			
I would like my child's artwork returned. I understand that it is my responsibility to pick up at a Steamship terminal facility (by December 31, 2021) once I have been notified that judging is complete.				
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date			
DIRECTIONS FO	R ALL ENTRIES (choose one of the following)			
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All entries must be received no later than June 1, 2021.



"Sail into Imagination" Student Art Contest OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES

Contest Overview

The Steamship Authority invites students enrolled in Grades K-12 to participate in its 6th Annual "Sail into Imagination" student art contest. Students from any town on Cape Cod, plus residents of Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket, Fairhaven or New Bedford are eligible to have their artwork showcased in a 2022 calendar. Thirteen prize winners from these communities will be selected and the winning artwork will be showcased in the 2022 calendar as well as displayed on the Steamship Authority website and exhibited on board Steamship Authority ferries.

The contest theme "Sail into Imagination" was conceived to encourage students to share their vision of traveling aboard Steamship Authority ferries to Cape and Islands ports and to inspire artistic interpretations of growing up by the sea.

All students who submit original artwork during the contest timeframe, will be entered into one grand-prize drawing of a \$150 VISA Gift Card. All artwork/contestant entries have the same chance of winning this grand prize. The timeline for entering and prize announcement are consistent with the contest rules as stated below.

In addition to having their art displayed and featured in the Steamship Authority's 2022 calendar, winners will receive a \$100 gift card valid for travel to any port served by Steamship Authority.

New to the 2022 art calendar contest, one teacher will be awarded at random a \$100 gift card to a local art supply store of their choice. All teacher name submissions (page 1 of the form) have the same chance of winning this additional prize.

The contest begins on March 22, 2021 and there is no cost to enter. All entries must be received by mail, delivered to a Steamship Authority terminal or sent by email to Steamship Authority on or before June 1, 2021. Winners will be announced in July 2021.

CONTEST RULES

- Each student may submit one design.
- Submissions must be original artwork created by a student in grades K-12 from any town on Cape Cod, plus residents of Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket, Fairhaven or New Bedford. Homeschooled or school-choice students living in these same communities are also eligible to participate.
- The student's name, address, grade and school must be included with the original artwork submitted. No student names can appear on the front of the artwork or within the design.
- Artwork must received by Steamship Authority on or before June 1, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. Late entries will not be accepted.
- Each student's parent or guardian must complete and sign the Contest Entry Form/Release and submit a copy of the form with the artwork entry. Artwork submitted without this required paperwork will not be accepted.
- Original artwork will be required if chosen as a winner of the contest and will be displayed on vessels and at select terminals. Original artwork will become the property of The Steamship Authority.
- Winners agree to allow the Steamship Authority to use their names, associated school and artwork to promote the "Sail into Imagination" art contest and calendar.

ELIGIBILITY

- Each applicant must be a student in grades K-12 enrolled in a Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket, Fairhaven or New Bedford school. Homeschooled or school-choice students living in these same communities are also eligible to participate.
- Employees of Steamship Authority or Pierce-Coté Advertising/Regan Communications Group and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.

DESIGN CRITERIA

- All entries from eligible students must illustrate the "Sail into Imagination" contest theme. Artwork should include a Steamship Authority ferry and elements that showcase seaside life or unique attributes or landmarks from a specific constituent community.
- All artwork must be original and cannot include any trademarks, corporate branding, logos or copyright infringements.
- The student's name, address, telephone number, grade and school must be included with the artwork submission. No student names can appear on the front of the artwork.

ACCEPTABLE FORMATS/SIZE

- Emailed images of original drawings, paintings and sketches will be accepted via email in JPEG and PDF formats. Oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, pen, pencil, ink and digital artwork will be accepted. Photographs, photocopies and traced images will be disqualified. (No photography or 3-D designs will be accepted.)
- All mail-in original art entries must be at least 11" x 17" and not exceed 16" wide x 20" tall. Design must be in <u>landscape / horizontal</u> format. Three-dimensional art will not be accepted.

SELECTION OF WINNING ENTRIES

- Winning entries will be selected based on originality, creativity, interpretation of contest theme and visual appeal.
- Entries will be reviewed by a panel of community representatives chosen by Steamship Authority.

PRIZES

- A total of 13 winners will from eligible communities will be chosen from the overall pool of entries.
- Winning artwork from eligible students will be showcased in Steamship Authority's 2022 calendar, as well as displayed on the Steamship Authority website and exhibited on board Steamship Authority ferries in a poster that shows all of the winning artwork.
- Each student winner will receive a \$100 gift card valid for travel to any port served by Steamship Authority. These gift cards will not be transferable and will have no cash value.
- One winning contestant/artwork entrant will receive a grand-prize drawing of a \$150 VISA Gift Card. This prize will also not be transferable.
- One winning teacher will be awarded a \$100 gift card to a local art supply store of their choice. This prize will also not be transferable.

SUBMISSIONS

The parent or guardian of a student may submit the student's artwork along with a completed contest entry form beginning on March 22, 2021. A copy of the contest rules and entry packet can be downloaded at: www.SteamshipshipAuthority.com/sailintoimagination.

DIRECTIONS FOR ALL ENTRIES (choose one of the following)

- 1. Original artwork and entry form mailed to: Steamship Authority Art Contest, c/o Marketing Department, 509 Falmouth Road, Suite C, Mashpee, MA 02649
- Photo of original artwork and entry form emailed to: sailintoimagination@steamshipauthority.com. NOTE: Please hold onto original artwork until winners are announced in July. Winners will need to mail in original artwork for display.
- 3. Original artwork and this entry form delivered to a Steamship Authority terminal.

All entries must include the contest entry form/release and must be received by Steamship Authority on or before June 1, 2021 Entries received after the contest deadline of June 1, 2021 will be disqualified.

Winners will be announced on the Steamship Authority's website, www.steamshipauthority.com in July 2021. Contest rules are subject to change without direct notification.