

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

September 15, 2021

It's been an amazingly fast start to our year. The excitement on the students' faces shines through every day, with few reluctant arrivals in the morning, and even fewer tardy students. School still has a different but better, feel to it, and we are energized, engaged, and learning! Two wonderful traditions returned last Friday. First, Mr. Mason oversaw the House Sorting for our new Middle School students. Then we attended Mass together last Friday in St. Pius X Church, with Fr. John presiding, Deacon Dave assisting, and Mr. Girardin providing music. It's been 19 months since we all last gathered there...

One of the difficult aspects of school last year was the restriction on gatherings and visitors to the building. We enthusiastically welcome parents and guardians back this evening.

Please remember this an adult-only meeting.

You have the opportunity to see and hear from our special group of educators this evening. 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 6:45 Lower School parents/guardians may transition to another classroom
they wish to visit.
Middle School parents/guardians may go visit Middle School
classrooms or Lower School classes.

At 7:00 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.

See you all this evening!



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REMINDER - CALENDAR DATES - TONIGHT

Wednesday, September 15th
Lower and Middle School Parents' Night
6:00pm

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 17th.**

COMPUTER SYSTEM & INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

All students must sign the enclosed Computer System and Internet Acceptable Use Agreement. **Please return it to school by Friday, September 17th.**

SCHOOL PHOTOS - PLEASE NOTE DATES

Individual photos will be taken on Thursday, October 14th for all students in PreK - Grade 8. (Photo order envelopes will be sent home in the next few weeks.)

Students ARE REQUIRED to wear their Traditional Dress Uniform including their sweater on Portrait Day.

EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM

One snack is provided each day to students attending the after-care program. If you feel your child(ren) needs more than one snack, please provide an extra nut free/sesame free snack in their lunchbox for after school.

The telephone number to reach the Extended Day Program after regular school hours is 774-212-3933.



UNIFORM REMINDER

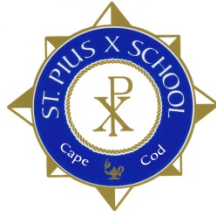
Please note that effective Tuesday, October 12th, students are no longer able to wear the Summer Uniform. The listing of the Standard Uniform can be found below. The polo shirt may continue to be worn as part of the Physical Education uniform. An additional note regarding the Physical Education uniform; as we move into cooler months, the sweat pant must be worn over the mesh shorts during classroom time. During Physical Education class, the sweat pant may be removed.

Please note that to keep consistency in our dress code; all uniform purchases must be made through the uniform company and not from other vendors including department stores.

STANDARD REQUIRED UNIFORM

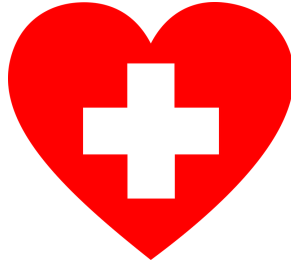
GRADES 5-8		
Boys	Trousers	khaki
	Shirts	White or light blue oxford button down, long or short sleeve
	Sweater	navy V-neck pullover with school logo
	Ties	official school tie
Girls	Kilts	navy or black watch plaid of modest length
	Shirts	white or light blue oxford button down, long or short sleeve
	Sweater	navy V-neck pullover with school logo
	Socks	navy knee length
	Tights	navy
Boys and Girls	Shoes	navy, black or brown non-marking of a modest style (Docksidors© and Merrell© Jungle Moc style acceptable)

GRADES K-4		
Boys	Trousers	navy pants
	Shirts	white oxford button down, long or short sleeve
	Sweater	navy V-neck pullover with school logo
	Socks	navy
	Ties	official school tie
Girls	Plaid Jumpers	
	Blouses	white round collar, long or short sleeve
	Sweater	navy cardigan with school logo
	Socks	navy knee length or white anklets
	Tights	navy
Boys and Girls	Shoes	navy, black or brown non-marking shoes of a modest style (Docksidors© and Merrell© Jungle Moc acceptable)



Pre-Kindergarten students must wear the following items:

PRE-K		
Boys	Pants	navy pants
	Shirt	light blue polo with school logo - long or short sleeve
Girls	Pants	navy pants
	Shirt	light blue polo with school logo - long or short sleeve
	Plaid Jumper or Navy Skort	
	Blouses	white round collar, long or short sleeve



FROM NURSE ANNIE



*All youth who have had a **positive COVID test** should be cleared by their pediatric health care provider prior to returning to organized sports. Even those who are asymptomatic could be at risk for myocarditis.*

Please visit <https://www.aap.org/>

American Academy of Pediatrics for more information



**Please join us for a
FRIENDS OF SPXS MEETING
Friday, September 24th at 8:00 AM
(Location TBD)
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

- *FRIENDS Board introductions (roles and responsibilities)*
- *Welcome to new families/mentor program*
- *Summer purchases/improvements/support*
- *Enrichment and Events (committee sign-ups)*
- *Fundraising*
- *Ideas, Suggestions, Feedback!*

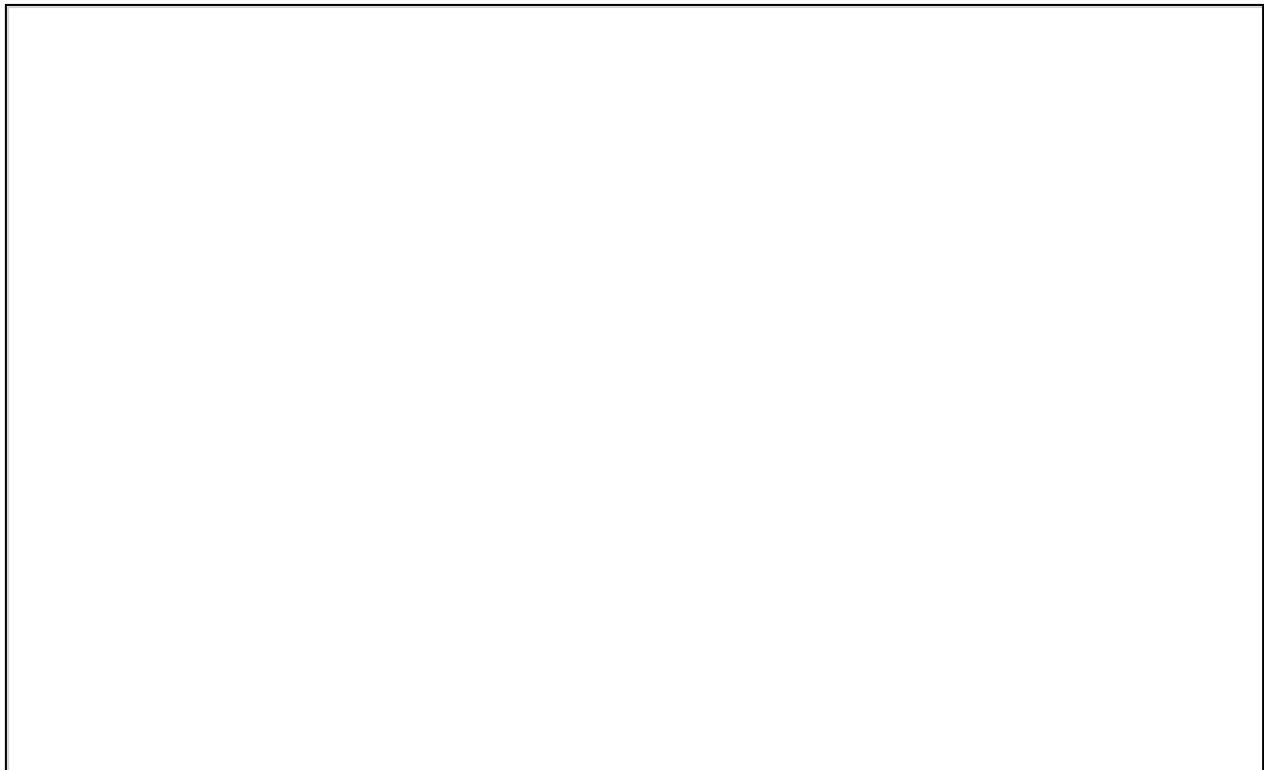
Christmas Raffle Calendar Design Contest

We are designing the SPXS 2021 Christmas Raffle Calendars and would like to showcase the talents of two students (one Lower School and one Middle School)

Simply design and color a picture about what Christmas looks like to you in the box below and return it to school by *Friday, September 24th.*

Winners will have their name and artwork printed on the front of the raffle calendars and get a NUT card too!

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the student to draw their Christmas-themed picture.