

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

September 25, 2019

Happy Fall!

We were thrilled today to see one of our alum, **Grace Felix**, who joined us today with Mr. Jim Remillard, a teacher from JP2. SPXS science classes are working with Mr. Remillard and student ambassadors, including Grace, to study plankton in local waters. The meeting was a huge success!

Mrs. Kostecki has taken over as Business Manager, and is adjusting very well. If you have questions or concerns, please be patient as she familiarizes herself with all aspects of the office. Meanwhile, Mrs. **Heleen** and **Mrs. Quinn** have begun in Gr. 1 assisting Mrs. Quirk.

Another note about electronic devices- this time smart watches as well as phones. Students may have phones or devices to get in touch with parents/guardians after school (as in after school activities). We've had additional confusion or issues at dismissal time due to students/parents texting changes at the last moment or students using their phones inappropriately.

Students have been reminded that calling, texting, taking pictures, or taking videos from their phones are not allowed during regular school hours, or at dismissal time. Your assistance will help dismissal, and our school experience, flow more smoothly.

Due to the time interference from testing, everyone's getting a one-week extension on grades before the academic policy is implemented. We do have a number of students who hopefully will benefit from the additional week, and use this time wisely. I recommend that parents check the Parent Portal periodically to keep track of student grades!



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DROP OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES

When you are dropping off in the morning or picking up in the afternoon please 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.**

SCHOOL PHOTOS - PLEASE NOTE DATES

Individual and Class photos will be taken on Thursday, October 10th for all students in PreK - Grade 8. (Photo order envelopes are being sent home today.)

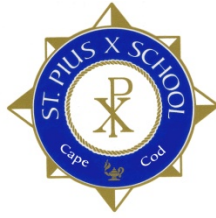
Students ARE REQUIRED to wear their Traditional Dress Uniform including their sweater on Portrait Day and for their Class Photo.

COLUMBUS DAY

School will **NOT** be in session on Monday, October 14th in observation of Columbus Day.

EXTENDED DAY TELEPHONE NUMBER

We have a new telephone number to reach the Extended Day Program after regular school hours. The number is 774-212-3082.



UNIFORM REMINDER

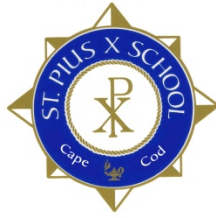
Please note that effective Tuesday, October 15th, students are no longer able to wear the Summer Uniform. The listing of the Standard Uniform can be found below. The polo shirt may continue to be worn as part of the Physical Education uniform. An additional note regarding the Physical Education uniform; as we move into cooler months, the windpant or sweatpant must be worn over the mesh shorts during classroom time. During Physical Education class, the windpant or sweatpant 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 (Docksiders© 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 (Docksiders© 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



St. Pius X School

October 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 NO Study Hall Staff Meeting 2:30pm	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Interim Period Ends	10 School Photos (Full Dress uniform must be worn)	11 Our Lady of Aparecida Celebration Last Day for Summer Uniforms	12
13	14 Columbus Day School Not In Session	15 Mass 9:30am St. Pius X Church First Day for Standard Dress Uniform	16 Interim Reports Issued	17 Third Thursday Tour 10am 11:30 Dismissal Parent/Teacher Conferences	18 11:30 Dismissal Parent/Teacher Conferences	19
20	21	22	23	24 Parent Social 6:30–9:00pm Riverway Restaurant	25 Friends Mtg. 8am Middle School Halloween Dance 6:30pm	26
27	28	29	30	31	November 1 Solemnity of All Saints Mass 9:30am St. Pius X Church House Pin Ceremony	2



Parent-Teacher Lower School Conferences

A vital part of the education of your child/ren is parent-teacher communication. Would you kindly complete the form below and return it to school by Monday, September 30th. The conferences are scheduled at fifteen minute intervals. Teachers will do their best to schedule conferences in succession if there is more than one student attending St. Pius X School.

If we do not receive this form by September 30th, we will assume that you do not have a time preference. The time and date of your conference(s) will be sent to you via the Wednesday, October 9th Envelope.

Extended Day Program

The Extended Day Program will be held during Parent-Teacher Conferences. Students must be signed up in advance to attend the Extended Day Program on October 17th and October 18th. Please complete the enrollment below.

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Please return to school by Monday, September 30th

Name: _____

Grade(s) of Children: _____

Parent-Teacher Conference Time Preference – Please circle day and time preference

Thursday, October 17th

Friday, October 18th

12:30 – 2:15

12:30 – 2:15

2:30 – 4:00

2:30 – 4:00

Extended Day Program Survey – Please check

Thursday, October 17th

Friday, October 18th

_____ Extended Day services needed for Conference only.

_____ Extended Day services needed for Conference only.

_____ Extended Day services needed for afternoon.

_____ Extended Day services needed for afternoon.

_____ Extended Day services not needed.

_____ Extended Day services not needed.



Parent-Teacher Middle School Conferences

A vital part of the education of your child/ren is parent-teacher communication. The Middle School Conferences should be no longer than 10 minutes with each teacher.

Middle School Conferences will be held in the school classrooms during the following times:

Thursday, October 17th	12:30 – 4:00	Grades 5 and 7
Friday, October 18th	12:30 – 4:00	Grades 6 and 8

Middle School Parents will **not** be assigned an allotted time, please just arrive during the above hours for conferences with all of your child/ren's teachers.

Extended Day Program

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Middle School Conferences

Name: _____

Grade(s) of Children: _____

Extended Day Program Survey – Please check

Thursday, October 17th

_____ Extended Day services needed for Conference only.

_____ Extended Day services needed for afternoon.

_____ Extended Day services not needed.

Friday, October 18th

_____ Extended Day services needed for Conference only.

_____ Extended Day services needed for afternoon.

_____ Extended Day services not needed.

Friends of SPXS Committees

Please e-mail the event/committee leads (or Lori Boghdan at l.boghdan@comcast.net), if you would like to join/lead a committee or if you would like more information.

THANKS for your volunteerism!!

Grandparent's Day (11/8) – *Volunteers will help coordinate details for a special afternoon for students and their grandparents/grandfriends.*

Led by Melissa Jansen (jansen.melissa@gmail.com) and Katie Mullen (katiemullen@comcast.net)

Teacher Appreciation Events (year round) – *Volunteers will help with events/programs to honor/support our faculty and staff all year long.*

Led by Amy Corcoran (amyncorcoran@comcast.net) and Meghan Joseph (megan.joseph@joseph-management.com)

Box Tops for Education (year round) – *Volunteers will assist with clipping box top donations and pasting them onto required forms (this can be done at home). Volunteers might also be asked to help with prize planning and/or distributions.*

Led by Ana Dunn (abgomez25@hotmail.com) & Ellen Zontini (ellenzontini@yahoo.com)

Lower School Christmas Party for grades K-3 (12/13) – *Volunteers will plan and execute the Christmas party for grades K-3rd. It will be held in the Parish Life Center.*

Please Contact Lori Boghdan if you would like more information.

Middle School Christmas Party for Grades 4-8 (12/13) - *Volunteers will plan and execute the Christmas party for grades 4th-8th. It will be held in the school gym.*

Please Contact Lori Boghdan if you would like more information.

Catholic Schools Week (1/27 – 1/31) – *Volunteers will coordinate activities, guest speakers, and projects for the week in conjunction with the national theme.*

Please Contact Lori Boghdan if you would like more information

Uniform Clothesline (Year Round) – *Volunteers will sort through donations and manage sales rack.*

Led by Kelly Chute (kchute1224@gmail.com) and Kristen Chun (kristenhopechun@gmail.com)

St. Patrick's Day Parade (3/7) – *Volunteers will help organize the SPXS presence in the Yarmouth St. Patrick's Day Parade. We hope to have a float this year!*

Please Contact Lori Boghdan if you would like more information.

Gala and Auction (5/15) – *Volunteers will help plan and execute the school's biggest FUNDRAISER!*

Please Contact Lori Boghdan if you would like more information.

Father-Daughter Event (TBD) – *Volunteers are needed to coordinate activities and staff the event.*

Mother-Son Event (TBD) – *Volunteers are needed to coordinate activities and staff the event. DADS who can help are especially appreciated! Moms with sons will be enjoying the event, not staffing it ☺*



SPXS PARENT SOCIAL

Thursday, October 24th

6:30-9 PM

Riverway Lobster House Restaurant

1338 Route 28 in South Yarmouth

Please join us for a casual social event to kick-off the school year! Come visit with old friends and make new ones! The price is \$25 per person for a light dinner buffet. A cash bar will be available for beverages.

This adults-only event is sponsored by the Friends of SPXS. If you have questions, please call Lori Boghdan at (508) 509-2869.

Please sign-up online with this link

<https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/MyPages/2019ParentSocial/tabid/1000773/Default.aspx>

FALL CLEAN OUT!
DONATE OUTGROWN UNIFORMS
TO THE
SPXS UNIFORM SALE

TO BE HELD ON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

7:30AM, 2:00PM AND 4:30PM



Donations are ongoing,
but would greatly be appreciated by 10/2.
Please no holes, rips, or stains in clothing.
Thank you!!!

The Dennis Yarmouth Girl Scouts are hosting an informational meeting on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at St David's Church Hall located at 205 Old Main St, South Yarmouth MA 02664 from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

This meeting is for adults and girls. The girls will participate in a small sample meeting while adult volunteers present information about Girl Scouts.

While the focus of the meeting is for Daisies (K-1st) all are welcome.

Come join us with any questions you may have and please consider the possibility of becoming a leader.

If you are interested in learning more about Girl Scouts but can't attend please contact dy.girlscoutsma@gmail.com

Thank you,
Cyndi Penny
Co-Coordinator Dennis Yarmouth Girl Scouts