



The *STORM* Newsletter

April 12, 2017

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

There is some talk regarding the last day of school being changed. While that might be true for the public schools, it is not true for us. The end of the schedule for us is:

June 6th 8th grade graduation

June 8th PK graduation

June 9th Kindergarten graduation

June 14th last day for grades 1-7 12:00 Dismissal

The PTO is hosting another Paint Nite. See the story below for more details.

As this is the most holy week of the year, please take time to reflect upon Jesus's suffering and sacrifices and I hope you can take time to be thankful for our many blessings. I am extremely grateful to be a part of the Saint Peter's family and appreciate you all so very much. And of course, I wish you all a wonderful and fun week after Easter, a time to relax and recharge as we head into the final weeks of school.

In His Service,

J.R. West



Up Coming Events



April

13th Noon Dismissal

14-23rd Closed for Easter
Break

25th- 8th grade field trip

May

1-5 Scantron for 8th graders

1-5 Book Fair

1st Softball vs. ANS here

4th Softball vs. ANS here

7th Mother's Day

8-12 Teacher
Appreciation Week

9th Softball tournament at
Oak Ridge fields

12th Band to Kings Dominion

22-26 Scantron Testing

26th 12:00 dismissal (no
aftercare)

29th Closed for Memorial
Day

30th 1st grade field trip



Family Fun Run

On Saturday April 8th a few brave Saint Peter's families and staff competed in the Loyola River Run and walk. This was the culminating event for the "Fitness Year" theme, but don't let it be the end of your fitness program.

Staff Changes

In our last newsletter we made a mistake by mis-stating Mrs. Pieper's beginning at Saint Peter's and she was very miffed. We apologize Mrs. Pieper, and to set the record straight, she started in 1979 NOT 1970.

In other news, the interviews are over and we have filled all of our vacancies for the fall. We are very excited about the new team members and will tell you more in the coming months.

Chromebooks for Middle School 2017-18

It has been decided to take the next big leap in technology for our students. Starting in the fall of 2017, all middle school students will have their own Chromebook. These Chromebooks will be sold to parents through the school's supplier. Please don't rush out and buy one now, we want all students to have the same type and model. The cost will be approximately \$325. This is a one-time cost and will cover the Chromebook, license and backpack/carrying case. For rising 8th graders, we will offer a buy-back option at the end of the year. A complete roll-out and training will be held prior to school starting. There will be much more information regarding this new program over the next few months.

Boost Scholarships Are Back Again

Maryland's BOOST scholarship program is in its second year. Visit www.educationmaryland.org/BOOST to apply for the scholarship. These generous grants (between \$800 and \$1200) were given to several of our families last year.



Calling all St Peter's creative spirits!

Explore your inner artist while raising money for our St. Peter's School!

St. Peter's PTO is hosting our 2nd annual painting event to celebrate Mother's Day, and all mothers are invited!

At Paint Nite, a master artist will give us step-by-step instructions to create a work of art – while we socialize, eat light refreshments and sip cocktails.

A portion of the ticket sales will be donated to **St. Peter's Catholic School**

We'll all go home with a masterpiece. No art experience needed!

- RSVP and register now at: https://www.paintnite.com/events/_1168445
- Where: **St Peter's School (School's Auditorium)**
- When: **12 May 2016, 7-9pm**
- Cost: **\$45.00**

Remember, this is a celebration for all mothers!! Please invite your sisters, aunts, cousins and friends!

The first 35 registrants by 28 April will receive a special gift!

****Reservations will only be accepted via the Paint Nite link provided****

[High School Fair](#)

Archdiocese of Washington - Catholic High School Fair in Southern Maryland

[Bishop McNamara High School](#)

[DeMatha Catholic High School](#)

[Elizabeth Seton High School](#)

[St. Mary's Ryken High School](#)

are pleased to invite middle school students and parents to learn about our high schools at

Archbishop Neale School (ANS)

104 Port Tobacco Road
La Plata, Maryland 20646

Tuesday, April 25th
from 5-7 pm

Admissions representatives from each school will be available to answer questions. No RSVP necessary.

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Social Media Help for Parents

Parents- with all the dangers of the internet and social media apps, I thought it would be helpful if I could find some new information for parents on how to navigate these tough times with your kids. I bought the use of the videos on this link for your education. There are six videos, each less than 10 minutes that I hope will help you keep your children safe.

Click here to access the videos. <http://bit.ly/StPetersWaldorf>



Saint Peter's Runners Go Storm!