



The STORM Newsletter

September 20, 2019

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

The Race for Education fundraiser has started in earnest! You should have received the informational packet by now, it was sent home with each student on Monday. It is also attached for your convenience. We have added a very fun event for the parents this year. We are calling it the Saint Peter's Parent Palooza, you can read all about in the story below. The Race for Education is also a Blue-Ribbon tee-shirt day. If you do not own a Blue-Ribbon tee-shirt, you can order one at the Carousel. The Carousel will make a custom shirt for your student, but you need to go by and order it no later than September 30th. There will be other days throughout the year to wear this special shirt.

In other news, the kindergarten class is looking for rain coats and rain boots for those rainy days. If you have gently used coats or boots that your child has outgrown, please send them in to Mrs. Kimm.

Middle School Open House has been rescheduled and will now be October 2nd. The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. in your student's homeroom. The entire event will last until approximately 7:00 p.m.

Our new lunch vendor, Apple Spice, is changing the latest ordering time for lunches. Lunches can be ordered up until 48 hours before they are needed. Same day ordering is not working so they must adjust their lead time.

Each year the school is required to distribute the school's financial statement from the previous year to the parents. To adhere to this requirement, I have attached the statement to this newsletter.

Up Coming Events



October

2nd Middle School Open House

3rd Middle School Volleyball game

**10th General PTO meeting
6:30 PM Sank Auditorium**

11th Picture Day

**14th Race for Education-
Blue ribbon shirt day.
Parent Palooza.**

**18th PK and K field trip
to Shalgel Farm**

**24th Financial Aid
Workshop**

**25th Trunk or Treat/ Pink
Out**

30th End of 1st Qtr.

**31st Black and Orange
Tag Day- Happy
Halloween**

November

**1st- Holy Day of obligation
Mass at 9:00. Noon
Dismissal**



In His Service,

J.R. West
Principal

Parents Palooza

New this year! We are adding a fun competition for the parents at the Race for Education. After the students are finished with their games, the brave parents who have entered the competition will begin their games. This is how it is going to go down; parents will pay \$10 to enter the palooza events. The palooza will include six different events; competitors will have to participate in all six events. Each event will have a winner, 2nd place and 3rd place who will be awarded points and medals. First place will be awarded 10 points, second place will be awarded 5 points and 3rd place will earn 3 points. All three places will also earn a medal. That's 18 medals in all! But wait, there's more. **The over-all champion, the person with the most points, will earn a special medal and a parking place in the front of the school for afternoon pick-up.** That's right, a special parking place in the front of everyone for the rest of the year. Here are the events:

1. Basketball free throws- 10 balls to shoot.
2. Soccer shoot out- 5 shots on a soccer goal with a goalie present.
3. Push-ups- As many as you can in 60 seconds.
4. Javelin throw- farthest distance thrown.
5. Fastest lap around the Race for Education course- approx. ¼ of mile.
6. Sit-ups- 60 seconds to do as many as possible.

To enter, send in \$10 cash or check to the school with a note that says you want to enter. Ensure your email and contact information is on the note and we'll confirm that you are entered. That's it, then show up at the Race at 10:00 and wait for further directions.

School App

Our school app is up and running on both iOS and Android devices. Here are the links you can use to access it across these channels:

App landing page: <https://l.ead.me/bbDy7l>

Apple App Store: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/st-peters-school-go-storm/id1476606863>

Google Play

Store: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.stpetersschoolwaldorf.stpetersschoolwaldorf>

Select the groups you want to get notifications from. I'm hoping this will help keep you in contact with the school and receive important information. This will become the most important communication platform for school information. Please download it and start using it today.

Hispanic Enrollment Initiative

We are pleased to announce that the Catholic Schools Office with the Hispanic Enrollment Initiative, will offer, once again the Volunteer and Staff Training sessions. We want to invite school faculty, staff and parent volunteers from each of our schools to participate in this training. Each school may send up to 3 participants.

The sessions will take place at three locations throughout the Archdiocese of Washington. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for the participants to explore resources available to schools. Some of the topics that we will cover are: parent engagement strategies, cultural competency, support planning for open houses and other school events.

The training will be:

St. Columba School

7800 Livingston Road. Oxon Hill, MD 20745

Sept. 25, 2019

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.