

The Principal's Pen

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Battle of the Books Competition 5/12; 10:00 am
- ◆ Band/Chorus Spring Concert 5/12; LCHS 7:00 pm
- ◆ May Crowning and 8th Grade Awards Day 5/13; St. Peter Church 8:30 am
- ◆ Town Hall Meeting & Building Tour 5/13; St. Paul Church 6:30 pm
- ◆ Fifth Grade Overnight 5/18-5/19
- ◆ Talent Show 5/20; Elementary School 6:30 pm
- ◆ Field Day 5/21; Shillito Park
- ◆ 4th/5th Grade Musical School Performance 5/24; 2:00 pm
- ◆ 4th/5th Grade Musical Evening Performance 5/25; 6:00 pm
- ◆ End of the Year School Mass at St. Peter 5/27; 9:00 am
- ◆ Uniform Exchange 5/27; 7:30-11:00 am (Elem. School Cafeteria)
- ◆ Last Day of School 5/27; 11:00 Early Dismissal
- ◆ 8th Grade Graduation Mass at St. Paul 5/27; 7:00 pm

SPPS MISSION STATEMENT

Saints Peter and Paul School provides students with Catholic values and high academic standards within a diverse community of lifelong learners who participate in a shared faith.

Principal's News: End of the Year Items

As the school year closes there is much to celebrate and anticipate! We hope that you will be able to join us for our Town Hall meeting on May 13th at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting will begin at St. Paul's church and will include a few details about the start of the new school year in August. A tour of the beautiful new school building will follow!

White-Greer-Maggard Orthodontics Scholarship:

For the second year at Sts. Peter and Paul, the White-Greer-Maggard Orthodontics Scholarship will be presented to two deserving students in grades 3-7 at the conclusion of the current school year. Each of the winning students will receive a \$1000 scholarship that will be applied toward the recipient's tuition at Sts. Peter and Paul for the 2010-11 school year. Recipients of this scholarship will exemplify the following Christian values and improvement in academic performance.

1. A commitment to Christ that exemplifies I Timothy 4:12
"These things command and teach. Let no man despise thy youth: but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."
2. Kindness to others
3. Good Citizenship
4. Service to School and Community
5. Responsibility
6. Thoughtfulness
7. Academic Dedication to Improve Performance in One or More Areas

The selection committee will be composed of teachers and administrators. Students may be nominated by any committee member or any other staff member. The scholarship awards will be presented at Mass on the last day of school, May 27th at 9:00 a.m. We would like to thank White-Greer-Maggard Orthodontics for their generosity and continued support of Christian education.

Lexington Catholic Scholarship Award:

Congratulations to Tiffany Wright and Hank Lynch who placed in the top ten for incoming freshmen on Lexington Catholic's placement exam. Tiffany and Hank were recognized at Freshman Orientation on April 22nd, 2010. The top ten students will receive a \$500 Academic Scholarship that will be credited to their 2010-2011 tuition balance. We are certainly proud of Tiffany and Hank's wonderful achievements!

Uniform Additions and Updates for 2010-11:

We are delighted to announce the following updates and additions to the school uniform for the coming school year. Specifically, the middle school students will transition to the logo navy polo and khaki bottoms. A khaki skort option will be available for girls.

The white polo will be removed for middle school students in the year 2011-12 as will the plaid skirt. Take advantage of the clearance sale on adult sized white polo shirts currently in inventory, as they can still be worn in the middle school for one more year!

These are selling fast and can be ordered directly from the school website.

Elementary students will continue to wear the white logo polo, plaid skirts and jumpers, and navy pants. Girls will be able to add the traditional peter pan collared shirt to their list of approved school wear, and all students will continue to be able to wear the logo fleece jackets in addition to the sweatshirts, sweaters, and sweater vests.

We are very excited about the adjustments to the uniform and are looking forward to the new and more polished look for our middle school students.

SPPS Stars!

We are pleased to announce the 4th Annual SPPS Uniform Exchange! Please drop off donated uniform items that are clean/launched at either school campus through **Monday, May 24th**. This is a service provided to our school families—there is never a charge for any of the uniforms. Parents may “shop”, even if they have not donated on the last day of school from 7:30-11:00 am in the Elementary School Cafeteria. A tremendous thank you goes to **Julie Lynch** for organizing this wonderful program!

Congratulations to the following award winning students for their participation in the RealLife Radio Essay Contest for 2010. In keeping with the 2010 Catholic Schools Week's Theme- “The Year of the Priest”- entrants wrote their essays on how a priest has made a difference in their lives. **McKenna Cundy, 1st grade, John Adaniel, 2nd grade, John Buckles, 5th grade, Lauren Phillips, 7th grade, and Samantha Thomas, 8th grade, were all finalists with the best essay chosen from across the Diocese. Sts. Peter and Paul school won the overall contest with 70% total participation as well!** The grand prize free trip to the Explorium for our students is being planned for this month. We are so proud of all the SPPS students who participated.

On April 21st, the **St. Paul Church Baptismal Font** won an award for its design and use of stone (marble) by the Kentuckiana Masonry Institute Awards Program. This was a team effort and included many workers including three from our school community: **Beth Etensohn, Art Teacher; Sr. Clara Fehringer, School Board Member; and Chris Annis, parent (Mitchell and Christopher).** We will all enjoy its use when we celebrate our school Masses at St. Paul next year!

Congratulations to **Joshua Fording** whose original short story, “*The Shoe in the Bag*” has been submitted to the Young Writers and Illustrator's Contest. We were proud to sponsor such a fine entry on behalf of the school.

Good luck to our **Battle of the Books Teams** who will be competing on May 12th with other Diocesan Schools. The following students will be representing us well: **Second/Third Grade (Josh Fording, Catherine Donson, Jacqueline Ballard, Morgan Rakes and Alternate, Ellie Burkholder); Fourth/Fifth Grade (Hayden Adams, Kathleen West, Mason McCollum and Katie Vazzana); Middle School (Maxwell Leslie, Samantha Thomas, Tiffany Wright and Claire Wilhite).**

A Special Thanks to our Battle of the Books Coach, **Amy Smith, Librarian**, and to the following parent volunteers: **Elaine Wilhite, Dana Patton, Lyn Borders and Kristi Adams**

With great gratitude we also want to thank our volunteers who assisted with the move from the Elementary School basement on May 1st: **Michael Weitlauf, Bill Rizer, Art Mize, Dennis Dever, Mary Weitlauf, Jeanne Miller, Bill Banks, Karl Kederis, Chris Urbanek, Don Mills, Phil Wright, Mark Nutter, Brian Minton, Isaac Farris, Lewis George, Parker Webb, Laura Vettraino, Debbie Cambron, Beth Etensohn**, and all other staff members who pitched in to make this project so quick and efficient!



PRINCIPAL'S SCHOLAR LIST

The following students made all A's for the second trimester of school. Congratulations!

8th Grade

Maxwell Leslie
 Ryan Molten
 Albert Oberst
 Samantha Thomas
 Tiffany Wright
 Hank Lynch
 Nicholas Leslie

6th Grade

Paul Adams
 Rachel Buckles
 Emily Clemmons
 Sydney Scruggs
 Baigin Thiel
 Claire Wilhite
 Maddie Buncher
 Donovan Morris
 Amelia Spanier
 Abigail Winfield

5th Grade

Ayanna Adaniel
 John Buckles
 Maura Coriale
 Wolf Krauss
 Malena Pontrich
 Ana Segovia

4th Grade

Lucy Dever
 Alex Ko
 Katie Vazanna
 Keeley Justice

7th Grade

RJ Hijalda
 Megan McLaurin
 Adam Spanier
 Lauren Phillips
 Blake Urbanek
 Nicole Funk
 Hattie Nunley
 Michael Rupinen
 Robert Kederis

HONOR ROLL

The following students made all A's and B's for the second trimester of school. Congratulations!

8th Grade

Suzanne Miller
 Marc Nicoletta
 Olivia Pelton
 Ernesto Valenzuela
 Duncan Naylor
 Tyler Mattingly
 Jessica Ledford
 Cheyenne Green
 Hannah Martin
 Thomas Doering

6th Grade

Noah Tubridy
 Danielle Doering
 George Foster
 Maddie Haynes
 Grant Noffsinger
 Abby Zanone
 Madison Burt
 William Kelly
 Casey Kennedy
 Matthew Ko
 Katherine Lewellen
 Emma Partridge
 Olivia Payne

5th Grade

Hayden Adams
 Michael Burkholder
 Chloe Mize
 Connor Nutter
 Will Rizer
 Kathleen West
 Chris Weitlauf
 Patrick Kelly
 Evelyn Willis
 Michael Naas
 Nick Naylor
 Andrew Barton

4th Grade

Simon Beach
 Ashley Frebis
 Ashton Justice
 Rosaline Lobbo
 Mason McCollum
 Dominique Morris
 Victoria Parrish
 Ray Smoot
 Elli Spanier
 Grant Wagner
 Courtney Bailey

7th Grade

Michael Talbott
 Victoria Barr
 Byron Pelton
 Jodi Llanora
 Cameron Bailey
 Jordan Chlebowy
 Thomas Hayes
 Andie Wallingford
 Declan Lynch
 Katie Reichert
 Sebastian Davis