



ST. PETER TRI-PARISH SCHOOL

A Collaborative of St. Benedict, St. Peter & St. Timothy Parishes
A Feinstein Leadership School

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The Mission of St. Peter Tri-Parish School is to provide its students with a Catholic education that fosters spiritual, academic, and social growth within an atmosphere of mutual respect.



BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT/MEET THE TEACHERS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

(ADULTS ONLY, PLEASE)

We welcome all our families to our very first School Guild Meeting of the year. During this evening, you had the opportunity to watch the Safe Environment Video in the computer lab at 6:00 PM. I hope that many of you took advantage of this opportunity. The Safe Environment Video and BCI check are a requirement of all our volunteers and must be renewed every 3 years. You must have your driver's license with you for the BCI. Also, this evening, you will hear from some of our afterschool activities, Scouts, Effman Music, etc., mingle with other school families, sign up for School Guild activities and visit your child's teacher in his/her classroom.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

6:00 PM—SAFE ENVIRONMENT VIDEO WILL BE SHOWN IN THE COMPUTER LAB.

**6:30 PM—PLEASE GO TO THE LOWER CHURCH.
INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

SHORT PRESENTATIONS: BOY SCOUTS, EFFMAN MUSIC, PARENT FEDERATION, ETC.

WHEN THE PRESENTATIONS ARE CONCLUDED, THE TEACHERS WILL BE INTRODUCED.

TEACHERS WILL RETURN TO THEIR CLASSROOMS IN THE SCHOOL. PARENTS MAY NOW SIGN UP FOR SCHOOL GUILD ACTIVITIES/EVENTS, ENJOY REFRESHMENTS, AND MINGLE WITH OTHER FAMILIES (ABOUT 15 MINUTES).

AFTER ABOUT 15 MINUTES, I WILL ANNOUNCE FOR YOU TO GO BACK TO THE SCHOOL TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM WHERE THE TEACHER WILL SPEAK TO YOU FOR ABOUT 15 MINUTES. THERE WILL BE A BELL RUNG AT SCHOOL TO INDICATE THE BEGINNING OF THE FIRST SESSION. AFTER 15 MINUTES, A SECOND BELL WILL BE RUNG INDICATING THE BEGINNING OF A SECOND SESSION (SHOULD YOU HAVE A SECOND CHILD).

THE EVENING ENDS AT THE END OF THE SECOND SESSION. PLEASE NOTE, THIS EVENING IS NOT DESIGNED FOR TEACHER CONFERENCES REGARDING INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS.

IF YOU MISSED THE SAFE ENVIRONMENT VIDEO AT 6:00 PM, IT CAN BE ACCESSED FROM THE HOMEPAGE OF OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE stpetersschoolri.com

**THANK YOU!
HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL ON TUESDAY.**

FACULTY 2017-2018:

Nancy Oliveira—Grade 8
Nancy Moreira—Grade 7
Lisa Der Manouelian—Grade 6
Christine Desmarais—Grade 5
Meghan Washburn—Grade 4
Janice Webb—Grade 3
Nancy Dunlap—Grade 2
Anne Robinson—Grade 1
Nicole Regnault/Joyce Jarvis—Kindergarten
Deborah Letourneau/Stephanie Santos—Preschool 4
Amy Beausoleil/Stacey Murga—Preschool 3
Anne Graham—Science
Erin O'Donnell—Physical Education
Cristina Kelley—Spanish/Computer
Nonetta Shatakhtsian—Music
MaryAnn Patenaude—Resource/STAR
Judy McCormick—Teacher Assistant

SUNSHINE: We will continue to collect Sunshine money. Full time faculty will contribute \$40.00 and part time faculty will contribute \$20.00.

FACILITY: The school has been thoroughly cleaned and items have been placed back into the classrooms. **Please be sure to leave enough time to get your room in order before the first day of school, Tuesday, September 5th. Make sure that all cleaning products are out of the reach of children and discard all unnecessary items.**

Kevin, our plumber, has retired due to back issues. Father has replaced him with someone else that we can call when needed. Hopefully, the new plumber will respond quickly when we spring a leak!!

PRAYER: Although we begin every day with community prayer (8:55 AM), each class should have a morning prayer routine and special prayers as well as special ceremonies/rituals that take place during Advent, Lent, and the Mary months (October and May). Please encourage your children to visit Mary outside of my office, even if only for a minute or two. Prayers should also take place before morning recess (10:30 AM), before and after lunch, and at the end of the day. Appropriate grade level prayers are available in my office. Also, please include the Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Cross at some point during the day. Singing is nice, too!!

MONTHLY ACTIVITY DAY: Each teacher will have one day a month designated to a special class activity to raise money for their classroom. You will receive this schedule at our first meeting in August.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS: In the past, we have agreed that birthday celebrations should be low key in the classroom. Please make it clear to your parents that balloons and whole cakes are not to be brought into school for birthdays. Cupcakes, cookies, fruits, etc. are acceptable (all peanut free). Please be consistent in enforcing these limits with your parents.

Also, invitations to parties can only be passed out in school if there is one for every member of the class. Meet the Teacher Night is a good time to mention these limits and other areas of concern.

RECESS & GYM: Please try to avoid school yard noise during class time. Kindergarten and Grade 2 (as well as 5, 7, & 8) are often distracted by activities and noise outside their windows.

WELCOME NEW FAMILIES: The School Guild will once again sponsor the “New Family Orientation Night Ice Cream Social” on Wednesday, August 30th at 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. This will take place outside, weather permitting. If the weather is not good, we will go to the air-conditioned lower church. Traditionally, the teachers serve the ice cream and greet new families. Please email me at stpeters5@cox.net only if you **cannot attend**. I would appreciate your presence there and you can cool off with some ice cream!!

FACULTY ROOM: In June, I must say, the faculty room was a mess!! Cups were left on the tables rather than being thrown out. Food left in the fridge. Please—clean up the faculty room. This is your room. If everyone cleans up after themselves, it will stay nice and clean.

DAILY CLASSROOM ROUTINE: Your classroom is also “your room”. Boards should be erased every night—both white and chalk boards. **NOTHING** should be left on top of student desks or on the floor at the end of the day. Take a few extra minutes at the end of the day and make this part of your end of day routine. Chairs are to be put up on the desks at the end of each day so that floors can be swept properly and desks should be straightened out so that the room looks neat. Children’s desks should be cleaned out once a week. Your desk should be left neat at the end of each day, as well. Counters should be cleaned off. Please do not put anything on the heating vents along the windows.

COMPUTER ROOM: Please straighten out the computer station at the end of each class. Allow 5 minutes so that the keyboard and monitors are straight, the towers are in order and head phones are put away. Also, **do not put empty ink cartridges back in the box and on the shelf**. Please bring them to the office.

TRANSPORTATION FORM: Parents of students in grades K-5 have been provided forms to let the teachers know how their children will get home on the first day of school, as well as future days. **Please make sure you collect this form immediately on the first day of school and refer to it at dismissal time. If someone did not bring in this form and you are unsure of how they are going to be going home, please notify the office. Please keep a copy of this form in your substitute teacher folder.**

Bus passes should be passed out **before** dismissal time in case there are problems to be solved.

EXTENDED DAY: The Extended Day Program will begin on Wednesday, September 6th. If you are interested in being part of the Extended Day staff, please see Anne Robinson or Deb Letourneau. I know there are a few available spots that could use staffing.

IMPORTANT DATES:

LAW WORKSHOP	AUGUST 17 (PD)
PRESCHOOL 3 ORIENTATION	AUGUST 29
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KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION	AUGUST 29
FACULTY ORIENTATION & MASS	AUGUST 30
NEW FAMILY ICE CREAM SOCIAL	AUGUST 30
FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	SEPTEMBER 5
EXTENDED DAY BEGINS	SEPTEMBER 6
MEET THE TEACHERS	SEPTEMBER 19
PINK DAY	OCTOBER 20
HARVEST FEST	OCTOBER 20
FLU CLINIC	NOVEMBER 7

Thank you for all you do! Your continued dedication and commitment to our students, their families, and each other is what makes St. Peter Tri-Parish School thrive and become stronger each year.

A copy of your class list (as of 8-4-17) for Homeroom teachers Pre-3 to Grade 8 is enclosed.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Sincerely,

Joan

SPS FEINSTEIN SCHOLAR GOOD DEEDS CORNER:

Out to Melinda Cavanagh (AnSt. Peter Tri-Parish School) is a vibrant community of caring teachers, students and families who truly live their mission every day.

Each October, the Student Council hosts Pink Day to benefit the Kent County Breast Health Center. All students and faculty dress in pink in support of and remembrance of cancer survivors and patients.

We celebrate the month of November and our mission of social growth by hosting a food drive to provide Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner to the less fortunate. This year there were over 800 cans of food collected. We gather at a Thanksgiving prayer service as a school community to show our gratitude for all of our many blessings.

December is a flurry of activity with the sale of Candy Cane Grams. This year 5 local families were recipients of the school community's generosity. The elementary students spread their joyful noise by Christmas caroling throughout the neighborhood.

The St. Peter Tri-Parish School is proud to be a Feinsein Leadership School who share the common goal of serving our community and doing good deeds on a daily basis.

Submitted by Anne Robinson, Feinsein Program Coordinator.