



St. Pius X Regional School
News Notes
November 3, 2022



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WINTER UNIFORM BEGINS

As a reminder winter uniform begins for all students Monday, November 7th, 2022. Please consult the student handbook for details.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

NO SCHOOL ON NOVEMBER 11 FOR STUDENTS

PK THROUGH 5TH GRADES:
Report card conferences appointment times for parents with students in grades Pre-K through 5 were sent home yesterday November 2, 2022. Please be sure to confirm your appointment time by signing the handout and returning it to your homeroom teacher.

6TH THROUGH 8TH GRADE:
Conferences will not be scheduled for students in grade 6th through 8th.

Friday, November 4, 2022

Pre-K Open House 9:00 am

Saturday, November 5, 2022

Howl-o-ween Hustle 5K

Monday, November 7, 2022

Winter Uniform Begins

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

**Pre-K3 - 1st Grade Parent Coffee
5 -6 pm.**

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

**Late Arrival - Students Arrive 9:30
- 10:00 am. Before care begins at
9:00 am.**

Friday, November 11, 2022

**No School for Students, Report
Card Conferences
Kids Night Out 6:00 - 9:00 pm**

Monday, November 14, 2022

**Book Club 2nd and 3rd grade
3:00 - 3:45 pm**

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

**Class Mass Grades 4 and 5
10:30am**

“Discipline your children, and they will give you peace of mind and will make your heart glad.” Proverbs 29:17

An online scheduler listing conference times in ten- minute intervals will be used this year. Parents should sign up for a specific conference time with any teacher they wish to see on November 11 by going to this [link](#). This link will take you to a Sign Up Genius where you will find a tab for each group of teachers: 6th Grade, 7th Grade, 8th Grade, Specials and Resource Teachers. Conferences may be scheduled from 8:00 to 11:00am and from 12:20 to 3:00pm. You are encouraged to have a conference with any teacher that you think necessary. Report cards will be sent home electronically for middle school students on Thursday, November 10, 2022.

Report Card Conferences - TUITION REQUIREMENTS

As you know, Report Card Conferences will take place on Friday November 11, 2022. In order to attend any conferences with your student's teacher(s), tuition must be current.

While I understand that TADS offers a five- day grace period before assessing a late fee, you may not attend a conference if your payment is not received by Thursday, November 10, 2022. Also, if you have had a payment declined, and you make a payment online, it must be made by Monday November 7, 2022, to allow time for your payment to clear.

If you have any question, please contact Mrs. Toohey at stoohey@stpiusbowie.org

ARCHDIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The open application period for the 2023-2024 Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program begins Saturday, October 1, 2022. **The deadline for returning families to apply is Friday, December 2, 2022.** The deadline for new families to apply is Saturday, February 18, 2023. To apply, log into your TADS account and select the Financial Aid tab. There you will find the online application. If you have any questions regarding the application process or necessary

documents, please select the Tools and Resources which is also located under the Financial Aid tab. If you have any additional questions, please contact TADS.

REMINDER: You must apply to and receive a financial aid award from the ADW Tuition Assistance Program in order to apply for SPX Regional Aid which is offered to parishioners of Ascension, Sacred Heart, St. Edward the Confessor and St. Pius X.

HOWL - O - WEEN HUSTLE NOVEMBER 5, 2022

This is the last week to register for SPX's Howl-O-Ween Hustle 5K happening this Saturday, November 5th! It is going to be a hooowling good time, so come out dressed for the event and support our SPX community. It will be fun for the entire family!

Register at:

<https://events.eventgroove.com/event/2022-Howl-O-Ween-Hustle-5k-68625>

If you would like to volunteer and gain VSO service hours, please register at:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10C0D4BACA72BA1FCC34-howloween>

KIDS NIGHT OUT

Kids Night Out has been rescheduled for Friday, November 11, 2022 from 6 - 9 pm. The SPX Community Building Committee is hosting Kids Night Out on Friday, November 11, 2022, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Join us for a movie night featuring "Zootopia" with games, pizza, and fun! Wear your favorite cuddly animal costume and accessories to join in on the theme. The cost is \$20.00 for one child and \$10.00 for each additional sibling. *All children must be completely potty-trained.* Register at

<https://go.eventgroovefundraising.com/570128/Campaign/Details>

Earn some of your VSP hours by volunteering at this event. Sign-up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f49aaab2aa0fd0-kids>

Questions? Contact Joanna Shane at joannashane@gmail.com.

SIGNING IN LATE CHILDREN

If your child arrives at school after 8:15am, you must come in and sign them in. PK3 & PK4 must always be signed in by a parent.

SPX CYO ANNOUNCEMENTS

The SPX CYO Basketball registration closes 11/2. We are still in need of girls that may be interested in participating. Here is the registration link:

<https://backoffice.sportspilot.com/register/family/default.asp?asoid=106236>

The SPX CYO 12U Boys soccer team has advanced to the semi-finals of the playoffs. Please consider coming out and cheering on our 12U boys' soccer team as they pursue a win -- and vie for a championship.

They will be playing on Friday, 11/4 @ 7:25 pm, at Holy Redeemer Kensington. The field is behind the school/church.

Address is: Byeforde Rd, Kensington, MD 20895;

The church address is: 9705 Summit Ave, Kensington, MD 20895

** The championship game will be Saturday, 11/5 @ 2:15 pm @ Holy

Redeemer Kensington.

CAROUSEL UNIFORM STORE

As we approach their last month or two.....Carousel now has STORE WIDE markdowns. They have quite a few St. Pius items. Call first to see if they have what they want (301) 843-8884. Also, they are happy to still deliver. They also have Communion attire, etc., should parents want to stop on in.

Andrea Bramwell is our Uniform Exchange coordinator. She can be reached at 202-276-2436.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Christmas Bazaar is requesting the following: Please contact the Christmas Bazaar chairs at spx.christmas.bazaar@gmail.com to donate.

Spirit Table(Monette Quach)

1. Requesting Candy Donations
- 2 Requesting Two Volunteers to help with tables during the Bazaar

Christmas Table (Aquilina Thurston)

1. Requesting helpers to put together the candy Christmas trees
2. Requesting Candy Donation (feel free to send in extra halloween candy)

Kitchen Chair (Rachel Henschcliffe)

1. Requesting 3 crock pots that will be returned once the Bazaar is over.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

SAVE THE DATE: The 3rd Grade Annual Grandparents Day is Friday, November 18th. Donations from the SPX community will be needed to make this a fabulous event for our 3rd graders and their special guests. This is a great opportunity to earn VSP hours. Keep a lookout for the Sign-up Genius, as we'll need an assortment of support to ensure the students and special guests have a wonderful time.

CULTURAL SHOWCASE

In our continuing efforts to celebrate our wonderfully diverse community, we ask all families to share family customs, traditions, and heritage with us. Please send us pictures, recipes, history, family tree, crests, etc. to include in our monthly newsletter. Please email family information to lhampton@stpiusbowie.org .

SAINTLY STUDENT OF THE MONTH

As we strive to celebrate the unique gifts of God in all students, we look forward to celebrating all students in efforts to nourish their spiritual, intellectual, physical, social and emotional individual growth. There will be many opportunities for all students to be acknowledged and celebrated throughout the course of the year for their individual unique gifts. One of these opportunities will be Sainly Student of the Month. Students that display consistent kindness, reverence and cooperative and “Saint Like” behaviors will be celebrated each month. I know that you will join us in celebrating all of our students!

THE YEARBOOK CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP

The Yearbook needs your help in filling this year's yearbook. We need first day of school pictures, party pictures, sports pictures etc. We also would need a parent volunteer to help as a yearbook advisor.

Please send pictures and or questions/concerns/suggestions to Monnette.quach@gmail.com

FORGOTTEN LUNCHES

If your child forgets their lunch, you may drop it off before 11:00am. Absolutely no fast food should be dropped off.

NEWS FROM THE NURSE

Please see the attached information about FLU and RSV. Please help keep St. Pius X Healthy by keeping your sick kids home. Inform the teachers and the nurse if your child is out sick. If your child has been out for 3 or more days, a Doctor's note is required for clearance to attend school.

Contact Nurse Benson with any questions:
mbenson@stpiusbowie.org



LABEL UNIFORMS

We already have many sweaters and sweatshirts in our lost and

found. Please label them so we can return them to the children.

IMPORTANT CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR TADS

Please note the new billing address for TADS:

Auncor, Inc.

P.O. Box 850136

Minneapolis, MN 55485

Please include a copy of your invoice with your payment and allow at least 6 business days for checks to arrive and be processed before the 10th of the month to avoid any late charges.

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE FINANCE OFFICE

- Tuition and ESP payments must be paid on or before the due date each month. Failure to do so will result in withholding a student's progress report, report card, academic record, yearbook, etc.
- If your tuition and/or ESP account becomes overdue by 30 days, your child(ren) may not attend school until it is paid in cash or certified funds in the school office. If payment is made directly online to TADS, it must be paid 7 days prior to this 30-day deadline, so that the funds have time to clear the bank.
- There is no need to call us to confirm the status of your account; we see the same information as you on TADS. If your TADS account shows the payment was made and nothing is past due, then you are in good standing.
- Thank you to the many families who do pay their tuition on time each month! We truly appreciate it! As a token of our appreciation, a prize will be awarded to one family at the end of the year from all who have kept their tuition current every month all year! It is very time consuming to

track down families to make their payments. We ask for your cooperation and understanding with this.

ESP (EXTENDED SCHOOL PROGRAM) APPLICATIONS

At this time, ESP is closed for new applications. To be put on a waiting list, email the Directors at stpiusxesp@gmail.com

YOU SHOP AND WE GET PAID - HELP US EARN \$\$

Your shopping can help St. Pius X earn money! These fundraisers bring in thousands of dollars to our school each year and don't cost you a cent. Thank you to those families who participate in these fundraisers now. Your efforts are much appreciated! Thank you in advance to those families who will follow the simple steps below to begin participation.

AMAZON SMILE REWARDS PROGRAM: You probably already shop online at Amazon, and now you can help support SPX simply by using the special link here. [Shop on Amazon.com](#). Our unique School Rewards link will take you directly to Amazon, where you can browse and shop just as you normally would. Each month, Amazon will pay us 5% or more of all purchases made by shoppers who reached Amazon through our link. Please support us by bookmarking this [link](#) in your internet browser - then making it the first link you click each time you shop at Amazon. And be sure to pass it on to your friends, family, neighbors, acquaintances, and anyone else who might like to help us raise funds by shopping at Amazon.



HARRIS TEETER 'S TOGETHER IN EDUCATION PROGRAM: This program translates your spending at Harris Teeter to rewards for SPX. We need YOU to register and it's easy and it's FREE. Simply give the cashier our code, 4154, and your VIC card when you check out and your card will be linked for the entire school year. That's it! You can also link your card by visiting tie.harristeeter.com/together-in-education and click "link your card" button.

1. Enter email address associated with your VIC account
2. Enter the one-time password sent to your email address
3. Search for your school and click "add" to link your card

Your purchases at Amazon Smile and Harris Teeter this holiday season (and all year long) will directly support our school! Thanks in advance for your help.

ACRONYM GLOSSARY

Are you new to St. Pius X and unfamiliar with our acronyms? Here is a quick list of our most used abbreviations:

ADW - Archdiocese of Washington

CYO - Catholic Youth Organization

ESP - Extended School Program (before and aftercare)

HSPT - High School Placement Test

SSC - Student Support Center

VSP - Volunteer Service Program

CFA - Chick-fil-A

HSA - Home and School Association

FSO - Fundraising Support Obligation

SAB - School Advisory Board

TADS - Tuition Management Company

Our Regional Parishes:

St. Pius X Catholic Church

14720 Annapolis Road Bowie, MD 20715 301-262-2141

<http://www.spxbowie.org/>

Sacred Heart Parish

16501 Annapolis Road Bowie, MD 20715 301-262-0704

<http://www.sacredheartbowie.org>

Ascension Catholic Church

12700 Lanham Severn Road Bowie, MD 20720 301-262-2227

<http://www.ascensionbowie.com>

St. Edward the Confessor

1940 Mitchellville Road Bowie, MD 20716 301-249-9199

www.stedwardbowie.com