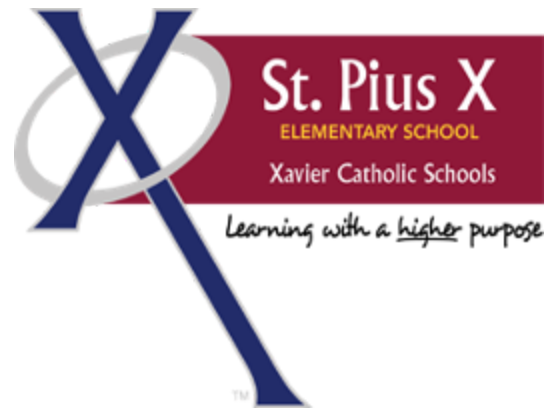


Panther Weekly News

December 11, 2020



Upcoming Events

- December 14th - 18th - Christmas Spirit Week
- December 21st - January 1st - NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break

Christmas Spirit Week

St. Pius X Elementary students and staff are invited to celebrate with fun Christmas spirit days. All students, online and in the building, are encouraged to join in the fun!

Christmas Spirit Week

December 14-18

Monday 12/14: Christmas Accessory Day

Wear your Christmas socks, hats, headbands, jewelry, etc. with regular dress code shirts & pants.

Tuesday 12/15: Christmas Sweater or Shirt Day

Wear your favorite Christmas sweater or shirt with either dress code or casual pants.

Wednesday 12/16: Flood the Food Pantry

All students are asked to bring an item (or more!) to donate to the food pantry. All items can be dropped off in the front hallway of the school.

Thursday 12/17: Red & Green Day

Dress code red, green or white shirt with dress code pants (Mass day)

Friday 12/18: Pajama Day

Students are invited to wear their pajamas to school! (Please wear regular shoes & no pajamas with spaghetti straps or shorts.)



Reminders

Please remember to send appropriate cold weather gear for your student every day - a coat, hat and gloves at a minimum. Students go out for recess even when it is cold.

From the Nurse

What are some good things for you to do when you have Covid (or other respiratory problems)... click on the note below for some suggestions.

[A Note from the Nurse](#)

From the Music Room

Tomorrow (Saturday 12/12) is the day we carol at Northbrook. Please meet at Northbrook Manor at 9:50 AM. The address is: 6420 Council Street NE
Dress appropriately for the weather. I would really appreciate it if one of the parents would take pictures to share with me.



Thanks!

Mrs. J (kjorgenson@stpiusxschoolcr.com)

Support St. Pius X while you Shop!

You can make an impact while you shop at Amazon!

Simply shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/42-1505488 and AmazonSmile will donate to St Pius X St Elizabeth Ann Seton Board of Education, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile can be used through the Amazon app too!

St. Pius X Lanyards

St. Pius X lanyards are now available for purchase through the school office - please fill out the form linked below if you are interested in purchasing a lanyard, and then send \$8 per lanyard to school with your student.

[St. Pius X Lanyards](#)

SCRIP News

[Cash & Carry Order Form](#)

There are a lot of low denomination cards available for the holidays, and lots of great bonuses available! Check out shopwithscrip.com to see all available options!

SCRIP Important Dates - Only one more Monday order & Cash and Carry before Christmas!

Monday Orders - due no later than 10am on 12/14 and sent home on Thursday 12/17 with your Pius student.

Cash and Carry - Orders are due by noon on 12/17 & will go home with your Pius student that afternoon.

December Lunch & Breakfast Menus

[December Lunch Menu](#)

[December Breakfast Menu](#)

Technology - Online Learning

Need an additional resource to learn about your child's Google Classroom or Seesaw? Take a look at the [Family Technology Resource](#) page. Bookmark this page for easy access. Information will be updated and added throughout the school year.

STO Information

Time is Running Out!

Still not sure about this "STO" thing? It's simple. If you file an Iowa income tax return, your contributions to the Our Faith STO receive a 65% tax credit. That means for every \$1000 you donate, you receive an Iowa income tax credit of \$650. Thus, a \$1000 contribution reduces your Iowa tax liability by a whopping \$650 AND the gift may qualify as a charitable contribution on your federal income tax return. And that gift you made? It helps make a

Catholic education affordable for every child. Thus, a gift that costs you a maximum of \$350 provides \$1000 in need- based tuition assistance for a family in need of help. Time is running out to contribute to the STO in 2020! Please visit www.ourfaithsto.org or call the Archdiocese of Dubuque at 800-876-3546 ext. 219 to learn more or have questions about this fantastic program.

Metro Catholic Outreach (MCO)

Students are always invited to bring items for the MCO food pantry and put them in any of the boxes in the front hallway of the school. This is a wonderful way to support our local community, especially during the Advent & Christmas seasons.

Items that are always needed:

- Peanut butter
- Pasta
- Rice
- Pasta sauce
- Hamburger Helper
- Tuna
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Beef stew
- Crackers
- Chili
- Canned Soup
- Jelly
- Canned Chicken or Salmon
- Pork & Beans
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Vegetables
- Pancake mix
- Boxed Potatoes
- Syrup
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Facial tissue
- Laundry detergent
- Cleaning products
- Toiletries, trial or full size, such as soap, shampoo, conditioner, and deodorant
- Plastic grocery sacks, both new and used, and larger plastic bags/shopping bags that can hold large boxes of cereal

For more information, visit the [MCO website](#).

****The Panther Weekly news is a weekly email sent (usually on Fridays) to parents & other supporters of St. Pius X Elementary to keep you up to date with school & community news. If you would like to be added or removed from this email distribution list, please reply to this email to let us know.****