



Saint Paul School Monday Memo

March 8, 2021

Fayne Molloy, Principal

Important Dates and Events

- 3/9 **Mass for Grades 3-8 ONLY Dress Uniforms required for grades 3-8.**
- 3/12 Stations of the Cross for Grades 7 and 8 at **2:00**
- 3/14 MS Edge Meeting 4:00-5:30 in the Church Hall
- 3/16 Deadline for Financial Aid – Smart Aid Applications Due
- 3/17 Mass for Grades 3 and 4 and Kindergarten – Dress Uniforms
- 3/19 The Feast of Saint Joseph – **Dress up in RED**
- 3/19 Stations of the Cross for Grades 5 and 6

Student Council presents to all students a Saint Patrick's Day Competition: Build Your Own Leprechaun Trap!

Your design can be a drawing or 3D model. The Top 3 Leprechaun Traps will win a Pot of Gold! All submissions must be sent electronically to j.bradley@stpaulkensington.org or h.thibdeau@stpaulkensington.org. Please do not bring models to school. Please email your images to the Student Council by March 17. Winners will be announced by Friday 3/19.

This year in the Catholic Church is the Year of Saint Joseph. Please see the [Church Bulletin](#) for special services and Masses from 3/16 – 3/19. We will celebrate the **Feast of Saint Joseph on March 19** by dressing up in red and saying special morning prayers.

The National Junior Honor Society is sponsoring a Lenten Food Drive and Class Competition to benefit the St. Clare Food Pantry of Saint Paul Parish. A box for each grade level K-8 has been placed in the gym. Preschool boxes will be placed in the preschool hallway outside of their classrooms. Please put nonperishable food items in the boxes when you arrive at school. A prize will be awarded to the class that brings the most items. Our goal is 500!

Our HSA Butter Braids sale is going well! The last day for ordering will be next Friday 3/15. Your butter braids order pick-up is scheduled for March 30. Online ordering with home delivery is also available for an additional shipping fee - please create a login at: <https://my.mcmfundraising.com/signup/YVHG>. YVHG prompts you to St. Paul School. Shipping fees are \$5-\$10 (according to weight and number of items bought).

Remember that families receive 40% of their order toward their fundraising obligation!

If you have any questions please contact Agnes Kowalewska via email akowalesik@gmail.com.

Saint Paul School's 25th Annual Auction will be on Saturday, May 1, 2021. Please see the attached flyer for all of the details of the event. Please also consider making a tax-deductible donation to the auction. We ask that you consider purchasing advertising space in our auction booklet or participating on a larger scale by becoming a sponsor of the event. Please see the attached flyer for links to purchase or donate. An ad in the program is as little as \$50.00! 75% of a sponsorship will count toward your family HSA obligation (up to \$250) or please consider donating an item to be used in our live and silent auction.

We are now holding re-registration for current families for the 2021-2022 academic year. Families that are planning to return to SPS next year are required to submit a completed Tuition/Fundraising Agreement and \$300 deposit by **March 15th**. The deposit covers all students in each family.

If your child is NOT returning to SPS we kindly ask you to email the office. This information is important for us to know as we continue to accept new applications for all classrooms.

IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION: Attached to this Monday Memo is SmartAid application information for tuition assistance for the 2021-2022 school year. NOW is the time to complete your application at <http://www.smartaidforparents.com/>. **Application deadline is April 16, 2021.** Any questions should be directed to Diane Funk, School Business Manager.

The Fundits program is now known as RaiseRight by ShopWithScrip. It's the same great gift card purchasing program that earns HSA credit and money for the school, with a new name and added features! Download the RaiseRight app today! It's such a convenient way to purchase gift cards and to work toward your family fundraising goal. The school code is **D1AA1D173642**.

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR! Due to the increasing number of winter weather changes that we have had thus far and the possibility of even more to come, we are making the following adjustments to our school calendar:

Tuesday, March 23 will be an Early Dismissal Day with dismissals from 12:00-12:30 according to our early dismissal schedule. (Teacher professional development will be from 1:30-3:30.) Aftercare will be available.

Monday, April 5 (Easter Monday) will be a full day of in-school instruction.

Please continue to take your child's temperature every morning. It is absolutely necessary for you to keep your child at home and strongly consider COVID-19 testing if he/she experiences a fever (100°F or higher) and/or other COVID-19 symptoms. Please also notify our school nurse by telephone or at d.raymond@stpaulkensington.org. Mrs. Raymond will advise you as to the potential need for quarantine and will be happy to help you to determine whether testing is advisable for your child.

Please also remember that it is important that our protocols regarding the wearing of masks and social distancing need to continue. Student materials may not be shared. Student toys and personal items need to remain at home. We have been doing very well! Please help us to continue to be careful!

Remember to purchase our custom Saint Paul School Masks. There are plenty available and two sizes to choose from plus 40% of your purchase will go toward your fundraising obligation. They are a great way to show school spirit! Buy them for your whole family...grandparents too! Order Forms are attached. Bring your order form to the school office with a check or cash and they will be sent home with your child.

PLEASE NOTE two phone numbers for the school office:

860-828-4343 main office line

860-829-0069 alternate office line

If you know of anyone who might be interested in enrolling a child in our school, please let them know that openings are still available in some grade levels. They can visit our website for an application and admissions information and may contact Kelly Esposito at admissions@stpaulkensington.org with questions, or to schedule a school visit. She will be happy to help!

Refer and Earn through our Friends and Family Referral Program! Please see the attached flyer for details about how to receive a \$25.00 gift card and be entered in our \$500.00 tuition credit drawing.

