



THE WAVE WATCHER

At St. Paul Catholic School, we strive for excellence in faith and academics. Our mission is to be a loving and forgiving community that receives our Lord, Jesus Christ and reflects His teachings. God is our focus and heaven our goal.

CALENDAR

March Reading Month
Begins!

Tuesday, March 2

Hats off to Dr. Suess

STUDENTS MAY WEAR ANY KIND
OF HAT

Thursday, March 4

* 8:50 AM Mass (3rd/4th)

Friday, March 5

Reading Knocks Your Socks Off

STUDENTS MAY WEAR CRAZY
SOCKS

* Pizza Day

* Adoration

* 2:00 PM Benediction

* 2:30 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 6

* 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM First Holy
Communion Retreat (Parents
& child) St. Paul School

Monday, March 8

* Scholastic Book Fair begins thru
March 12

* 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM 7th Grade
Retreat @ St. Joseph Church

* 7:00 PM PTC/Auction/Marketing
Zoom mtg.



Principal's Corner

BY MRS. LAURA HEATWOLE

GREAT NEWS!! Kids Connection will reopen on Monday, March 1 for both before school and after school childcare! Thank you so much for your patience as we have navigated this challenge! We know it has not been easy for you to deal with!

I have had a couple of parents offer to help with the enrollment task force. There is still room for more if you have ideas you would like to share. I will be scheduling a zoom meeting in the next week or two.

I am looking for a couple more parents who could help at lunch and recess, from noon to 1:00 PM. I need someone on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Fridays. I will also need someone to help with setting up the book fair on Monday, March 8, packing up the book fair Friday, March 12, as well as to work the book fair Tuesday - Thursday for an hour or two. Thank you for considering spending some time with us and helping out!

We are kicking off our March is reading Month activities on Monday. Each week your child will have an opportunity to participate in some kind of special dress initiative as part of our celebration. These days are noted on the March calendar. Your child's teacher has set individual reading goals for each student, and as students reach their goals, they will move closer to reaching God's treasure!!

We are looking forward to some fun in the coming month as we celebrate reading fun!

Virtue of the Week

KINDNESS

What does it mean?

Expressing genuine concern about the well-being of others; anticipating their needs

Looks Like:

- Carrying bags for someone
- Talking to someone who seems sad
- Giving a glass of water to someone who is thirsty
- Sharing your jacket with someone who is thirsty
- Helping someone clean up a spill

Sounds Like:

- Do you need any help?
- You seem upset, is there anything I can do for you?
- I can get you some water.
- "I have an extra coat you can borrow."
- I can clean that up for you.

Please help your child grow in virtue by practicing these examples of humility at home too!

Links

[School Registration Paperwork](#)

[SCRIP- Take Money Off Your Tuition](#)

[Please Pray for Our School](#)

[Powerschool](#)

It's Registration Time!!

Thank you to those who have returned their 2021-2022 registration forms! We appreciate it as it is so helpful in our planning! If you have not done so, please return those forms asap.

Documents are available through a link above or on our website, if you have misplaced yours. We are offering an incentive to get your registration in early, as this is so helpful to us for our planning. Also, if you are interested in applying for financial aid, the deadline to complete those forms is **March 1!!**

It is absolutely **vital** that you complete those forms. If you do not qualify for aid from the diocese, we will use that information to determine aid from the parish. Our parish is very generous in helping those who seek a Catholic education afford one for their child.

We are grateful for your prompt attention to this paperwork. Please feel free to contact the office with any questions.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN MUSIC & COMPUTER CLASS?

BY MS. EMILY SCHAFFER

In the music room we have been learning about music history! In grades K-4 we have spent time learning about and listening to the great jazz virtuosa Ella Fitzgerald. We have also taken a look at Louis Armstrong and listened to some of his greatest jazz pieces. We have spent a lot of time working on our rhythm skills and being able to identify the different lengths of notes in music. In grades 5-7 we have started working on guitar. The students have picked one of their favorite songs to start learning the chords to. As well as guitar the 5th-7th grade students have continued learning about music history. On Monday we dove into the late 40s and early 50s Rock n Roll, featuring Buddy Holly, Elvis Presley, Chuck Berry, Little Richard, and Jerry Lee Lewis. They were surprised by the songs that they had heard before and had no idea that they were from the 40's and 50's.

In technology class students have been working diligently on their typing skills. The students begin each class by working through typing lessons. They work on typing lessons, play typing games and then we move on to exploring and learning new things on the computers or ipads. In grades 5-7 the students have been exploring graphic art and have made their own logos through the website Canva. The students also work on reviewing and solidifying their lessons from their core classes such as going on websites and apps where they can work on their math and reading skills. In the next couple of weeks the upper elementary students will be learning about email etiquette as well as exploring other google sites such as slides, docs, and sheets.

Dear St. Paul Catholic School Families,

It is time to apply for financial aid for the 21-22 School Year! The Diocese of Lansing has grant money available to Catholic families, however, if you don't qualify for one of those grants you may qualify for financial aid from the parish. If you want to be considered for financial assistance you need to fill out the FACTS application.

Application fee is \$35- if this is a hardship for you contact Colleen Tinsey 989-723-4277 ext. 1102

To qualify for the Diocese of Lansing Grants you must fill out the FACTS application on or before March 1, 2021

All applications are completed online at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3YYVC>

Additional information about the Diocesan Grants: Grant Criteria eligibility for all grants: Student must show a financial need of at least \$750.00 The Student must be Catholic, attend a Diocese of Lansing school, and belong to a parish in the Diocese of Lansing. Diocese of Lansing Grants available for the 2021/2022 school year: Diocese of Lansing Grant: Grades K-8 \$750.00 per student Grades 9-12 \$1000 per student The Venerable Augustus Tolton Scholarship: Grades K-12 \$500.00 In addition to the Grant Criteria for all grants, student must be African-American or Black and show a need of at least \$500.00



FACTS makes quality education affordable for families by assisting schools in awarding financial aid. We work with schools to create a custom application and collect financial data so schools can make accurate award decisions based on financial need.

To apply for financial aid, visit <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3YYVC>

After completing the online application, you will need to upload all required supporting documentation.

The following supporting documents are required to complete the application process:

- **IRS Federal Income Tax Return**, including all supporting schedules (the year of the tax return depends on the tax requirements of your school). If applicant and co-applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year.
- Copies of **all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements** for both the applicant and co-applicant.
NOTE: If you are applying before you have received all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements, please submit them as soon as they become available.
- Copies of all supporting tax documents if you have business income/loss from any of the following:
 - Business** - send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - Farm** - send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - Rental Property** - send Schedule E (page 1)
 - S-Corporation** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1120S (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - Partnership** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - Estates and Trusts** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1

IMPORTANT: If you file a tax return but do not have W-2 wages because you are self-employed, you will be required to submit a copy of your current year Federal Form 1040 Tax Return.

- Copies of all supporting documentation for household Non-Taxable Income such as: Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.

All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed.

You may log in to your FACTS user account to review the status of your application. Please allow 2 weeks processing time before inquiring further about receipt and/or status of the uploaded documents. Application deadlines are set by the institution awarding the aid. If you are applying after the deadline, contact your school to ensure that your application will be accepted.

A non-refundable application fee may be required before your application will be submitted.

NOTE: Award decisions are made by the institution providing the financial aid, not FACTS.
