

## Saint Pius X School



# Weekly Update

## This Week at Saint Pius X School

Monday, January 16...	No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Tuesday, January 17...	Students in K-8 attend 8:30AM Mass
Wednesday, January 18...	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade boys may visit Saint Charles Preparatory
Friday, January 20...	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> report period SCAAP Day for January

## Coming Soon...

Wednesday, January 25...	Pizza with the Pastor for January
Tuesday, January 31...	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Grade Reports Issued

## Catholic Schools Week: Our Parish, Our School, Our Education

Sunday, January 29...	12:00PM Mass at Saint Pius X Church, Blessing of new Kindergarten and Latchkey to follow
Monday, January 30...	Opening All School Liturgy Friends "Bingo" with breakfast treat to follow Mass
Tuesday, January 31...	COSI On Wheels, K-5 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat "We Are Called"
Wednesday, February 1...	"Bible Quiz Bowl" 8:30AM Cafeteria Open House and Art Show, 6:30-8:30PM
Thursday, February 2...	Students will make Valentine's Cards for Nursing Home patients
Friday, February 3...	K-3 Movie Morning 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade vs. 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Game, 4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> to attend Blue and Gold/ School Spirit Dress Down Day
Saturday, February 4...	Family '50s Sock Hop Dance, 6:00-9:00PM, more info to follow

Catholic Schools Week will soon be upon us... and that means a week of fun activities, and usually snow! The annual celebration of Catholic School Education provides us an opportunity to give thanks for all the blessings of a Catholic School Education. Listed above are the scheduled events for the week. More details will come home over the coming days; however I want to draw everyone's attention to two special events.

On Sunday, January 29, following the 12:00 Noon Mass at Saint Pius X Church, Monsignor Funk will offer a special blessing to the new Latchkey facility as well as our new Kindergarten classrooms. Saint Pius X School students, staff, parents and alumni will minister at this Mass.

Wednesday, February 1 will be our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "Open House and Art Show." The school building will be open for visitors from 6:30-8:30PM. The classrooms and hallways of the building will be filled with student artwork and projects. The Junior High Choir will perform throughout the evening in the gym. Please plan to join us for this special evening celebrating Saint Pius X School!

## **NO SCHOOL**

There is no school for students on Monday, January 16 in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Enjoy the long winter weekend!

## **End of the Grading Period**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> report period draws to a close next Friday, January 20. Progress reports will be issued to the students on Tuesday, January 31. Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, February 16. If you wish to schedule a conference, please send the form posted under Forms and Publications tab, forms and office forms, on the school website.

## **SPX Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to Maggie F., a 7th grade student who was the winner of the Saint Pius X School Spelling Bee, held on Friday, January 6. Congratulations also to Rae Ann C. and Ashley H. who were the runners up. The spelling bee took 212 words complete! Maggie was also last year's Spelling Bee Champion! Thank you to Mrs. Judy Signoracci, our enrichment coordinator for leading this activity.

## **Ident-a-Kid**

Our annual Ident-a-kid photos scheduled for Friday, January 13 were cancelled. Ident-a-kid is no longer operating in Central Ohio. We apologize for any inconvenience. If another vendor or company can be located, we will attempt to re-schedule for later in the school year.

## **What are those letters for?**

You may have noticed large letters on or above all doors at the school building and gym. This is part of our safety procedures to enable students and staff and especially rescue personnel to easily identify all doors in the event of an emergency. The entrance to "buzz" in the building is Door C. Students enter and exit through Door F.

## **E-reader policy**

Students have also been bringing e-readers to school (i.e. Kindle, Nook, etc.). E-readers are permitted for reading purposes only. Students who are playing a game, taking pictures, etc. or using any other application will not be permitted to bring the device back to school. Ipods or cell phones of any kind are not considered an e-reader for academic purposes. Please remember as with all personal items, the school does not take responsibility for missing or damaged items.

As always, thank you for your cooperation. Please feel free to contact the office with any questions or clarifications.

## **School Uniform Policy**

A letter was sent home with all students yesterday regarding school uniforms, and shoes in particular. It is evident by the number of questions we have received that our policy with regard to shoes needs to be clarified. I will be working with the faculty, Monsignor Funk and the School Advisory Board to make our policy as clear as possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

## **January Box Tops promotions**

Giant Eagle: Earn 50 bonus Box Tops when you purchase 10 items in one transaction (using your Advantage Card). Offer runs the entire month of January. (Remember that the Apples for Students program is running right now too! All purchases earn points for our school which will be cashed in for school supplies.)