

Dates to Remember

Dec 2: Advent begins

Dec 4: Casual Day

Dec 12: December Birthday Day

Dec 13: GPD \$1 Casual Day

Dec 14: Christmas Program
Dress Rehearsal @9:30 am

Dec 16: Christmas Program
Ca\$h Da\$h Drawing

Dec 18: SPPS Spirit Day

Dec 19: Christmas lunch

Dec 19-21: Christmas Attire

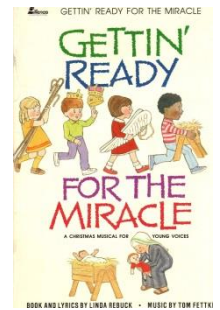
Dec 20: PreK Christmas Party

Dec 21: K-6 Christmas Parties
End 2nd Quarter

Jan 3: School Resumes

Sts. Peter & Paul students will present our Christmas program, **Getting' Ready for the Miracle**, on Sunday, December 16 at 2:00 pm in the gym.

Our dress rehearsal for the Christmas Program will be on Friday, December 14 at 9:30 AM. We have invited the Nauvoo Elementary students, and you are welcome to attend also.



The Christmas program parent committee to help includes: Katie & James Boyles, Maria & Rydell Schott, Rhonda & Joe Boyles, Rachel & Robert McIlmoil, Autumn & Ben Schweizer, Shannon & Derek VanFleet, Kate Evans, and Cassandra Harada.

Ca\$h Da\$h tickets are selling FAST! Congratulations to Debbie Kelley who won \$500 as our early bird winner. The **Grand Prize Drawing** will take place at the SPPS Christmas Program on Sunday, December 16. **Winner need not be present to win.**

ST. NICHOLAS

Thursday, **December 6th** is traditionally celebrated as the **Feast of St. Nicholas**.

The story of St. Nicholas: When St. Nicholas was a young man, his parents died and left him a large fortune, so he made it his business to give it away bit by bit. For years, under cover of night, he secretly tossed bags of gold into the houses of people who needed it the most. We know that his secret was discovered, because on his feast day, it is the custom in many countries to put shoes outside the door the night before his feast day, and in the morning find that St. Nicholas has filled them with goodies. We carry on this custom by hanging our stockings.

St. Nicholas will be making a visit to SPPS, so students need to bring a shoe or stocking to leave on their desks by Wednesday, December 5.

SCRIP Contest

Time to start thinking about shopping for that perfect gift for everyone on your list. What better way to get started than by purchasing Scrip cards for all your gift giving needs? The Scrip contest began November 12 and will conclude on December 14. Please remember to write the name of the child/family at the top of your order form. Thanks for your support!

Watch our new SPPS promotional video!

To view the video, go to our website, www.stspeterpaul.org and click on the video link (under Welcome) on the home page.



RECESS DUTY

Have you signed up for recess duty or paid your \$25? We rely on your help to keep our students safe at recess. There are MANY empty spots during December, and January. Please check your calendar and sign up on Sign Up Genius. Thank you!

Christmas Dinner

Ms. Julie will prepare our annual Christmas feast with all the trimmings on Wednesday, December 19 at 11:45 am. If you plan to join us, **please call the school to make your reservation by Friday, Dec. 14** so we have enough food for everyone. The cost is \$4.00/adults and \$2.50/child (please pay Mrs. Fasching in the office).

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 7 – Adam Sullivan
- 9 – Gage Parrish
- 13 – Isabella Newton
- 18 – Trenton Hanks
- 19 – Scott Allen
- 24 – Avery Brown
- 30 – Harper Huston

Students may wear Christmas clothes (shirts, dresses, outfits) December 19 - 21.

Winter is here and we continue to have recess outside as much as the weather and temperature will allow. Please make sure your child(ren) have a warm coat, hat and gloves; we do have some extra hats and gloves available for students to borrow if needed. **SPPS follows the Nauvoo Public Schools regarding the cancellation of classes due to inclement weather.** Be sure to listen to the local television stations for information regarding school closings; you will also receive a message or email notification.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

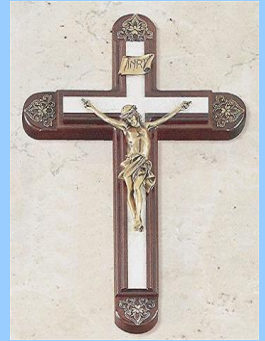
Our Christmas parties will take place before vacation on Thursday, December 20(Preschool 10:45 AM) and Friday, December 21 (K-6 at 1:45 PM).

The following parents have signed up to help with parties:

- PreK:** Carissa Veit
- K:** MaryAnn Hancock
- 1st:** Chris Wisheart & Gaby Berry
- 2nd:** Amber Parrish
- 3rd/4th:** Marie Allen & Kelly Feikert
- 5th/6th:** Lindsey Henson, Karla Sullivan & Laura Beach

SPPS Leader Essentials

- Rule 10: Follow the ABC's of etiquette
- Rule 11: After dining in the lunchroom or elsewhere, be responsible for your trash
- Rule 12: On a bus, always face forward
- Rule 13: When offered food or drink, take only your fair share



**With the help of
God's grace,
we form the mind,
body, and spirit
of each child
within our school
family;
we form children
to be
Leaders for Christ.**