



## ST. PETER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I would like to thank all of our families for attending the **Catholic Schools Week opening Mass** on Sunday. The Mass was **very uplifting** and a **wonderful tribute** to our students and their families. I would also like to **thank** all those who helped to make our **Open House** such a success—the **marketing committee**, those who **put up signs around the neighborhood**, our **bakers** and those who **set up and worked in the cafeteria**, **student ambassadors** who gave **new families a tour of the school** and the **faculty and Mrs. Rossi** who put in many extra hours on **Sunday as well as the week before** our Open House. **We had a very successful Open House thanks to all of you!**

While I am **boasting** about our school, I also must tell you how **wonderful the Middle School students were at the very large and very long funeral Mass for Michael O'Rourke**. **Mrs. O'Rourke requested that our students be an honor guard for her husband and we were very pleased and honored to accommodate her request.**

**SPELLING BEE:** **Mrs. Oliveira and I were very proud of the two students who represented St. Peter School in the Regional Spelling Bee at St. Mary's School in Cranston.** Although they did not win, **they did a great job** in the Spelling Bee. Each of the **38 participants received a certificate recognizing that they were already "winners" having won their school spelling bee.**

**FACEBOOK:** Parents, please read the article on Facebook enclosed in this **week's** Friday folder. We do not have too many problems at St. Peter School, however, the few problems we do have often involve children who have Facebook accounts. Please think long and hard before you help your child open up a Facebook account and be ready for problems when you do. Children under the age of **13** are **not allowed to have a Facebook account.**

**SPECIAL PERFORMANCE DURING WINTER RECESS:** Enclosed in this week's Friday Folder is a flyer describing a special program on American Animal Legends. This will take place at Warwick Public Library on February 22 at 2:30 PM.

**SCIENCE FAIR:** Mrs. Unger reports that she was pleased with the **appearance and content of the Science Fair projects** and feels that **our eighth grade students will be able to complete a Science Fair project in high school with little or no assistance** because they have gone through the **entire Science Fair process** here at St. Peter School. **Grade 6 students** will do a **“practice project”** at the end of this school year, during class time, in order to make it easier to complete a Science Fair project when they are in Grade 8. **Our goals are to develop proficiency in the Scientific Method, as well as to stimulate creativity in the engineering process.**

Four students received a **“First Place”** ribbon in our **St. Peter School Science Fair** and they **will compete in the Rhode Island Science and Engineering Fair on Saturday, March 17, 2012.** The First Place winners were: **CALLIE WILLIAMS, SAMANTHA WYNNE, DANIEL O’BRIEN, JORDAN HUNTOON.**

**“Second Place”** ribbons were awarded to the following students: **NICK SYLVESTER, ETHAN WHITE, CHUTINAN ASSAWABOVORNAN.**

**“Third Place”** ribbons were awarded to the following students: **LIAM KELLEY, NICOLE JONES.**

**Congratulations to all! Good luck to those students competing in the State Science Fair!**

**Thank you to Dr. Joseph Fontaine, Mrs. Oliveira, Mrs. Langlais, Mrs. Der Manouelian, Miss Kane, Miss Dwyer, Mrs. Sickinger and Mrs. Kenyon** for their help in **judging** the projects and **Ms. Shatakhtsian** for helping to make the Fair run smoothly! **Many other teachers offered to help,** but judging was completed by 11:00 AM!

**GRANDPARENT/VIP DAY:** We **thank** all our **wonderful Grandparents** and those **people very important to our students** for visiting with us on Wednesday. It was a very beautiful day and so nice to see **so many visitors enjoying time with their grandchildren or special friends.** This day is a very special and important part of our **Catholic Schools Week festivities.**

#### **BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:**

<b>Boys Grammar (Warwick)</b>	<b>February 4</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>St. Joseph’s @ St. Joseph’s (West Warwick)</b>
<b>Boys Midget B (Providence)</b>	<b>February 5</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Blessed Sacrament@ Zuccolo</b>
<b>Girls Midget B (Wakefield)</b>	<b>February 4</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>St. Mary’s @ Msgr. Clarke</b>

#### **STUDENT RECOGNITION AND FAMILY EVENTS:**

**Kelyn Dutra's** (Maddison's Mom—PreK 4) **boutique, Sassy's Classy**, was selected to **accessorize models** during this year's *Style Week Providence* held January 22-28, 2012. **Congratulations!**

**A+SCHOOL REWARDS:** Now that we have a new Stop & Shop right around the corner, I would like to remind you to sign up so that St. Peter School can get Reward Points. Follow these simple rules:

Register your Stop & Shop Reward Card @ [stopandshop.com/aplus](http://stopandshop.com/aplus)

Use 5-digit ID code: 07435

**25 WEEK CLUB:** The winners of last week's drawing were:

<b>Don Mezzanotte</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>Kristin Pine</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Tobi Curci</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>Joseph Eddy</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>

**DROP OFF/PICK UP:** Students are not to be dropped off in front of the school. All students are to be dropped off in the Church parking lot and cross with the crossing guard at the crosswalk. Also, please adhere to the traffic pattern when entering or leaving the school yard. I would ask your immediate cooperation in this matter.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**February 4** Father/Daughter Dance

**SAVE THE DATES:**

**February 7** Special meeting to discuss Gaspee Arts & Crafts

**February 17** Deadline for Financial Aid Forms

**March 14** Special Speaker at our School Guild Meeting: **Dr. Melissa Perkins-Banas**, a clinical psychologist from the Neuro Development Center will speak to us on the topic *"Parenting Your Stormy Child: How to Calm the Waters and Teach Improved Control"*.

Please continue to send in your **EMPTY COMPUTER INK CARTRIDGES, CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS**, and **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**. They can be dropped off at the office during school hours or put through the mail slot at any time. Thank you to all who have been sending them in regularly.

Sign up your Reward Cards at both Shaw's and Stop & Shop.

**Please visit [Boxtops for Education.com](http://BoxtopsforEducation.com). There are many simple things you can do that will earn St. Peter School many extra boxtops!**

❖ **NEWSLETTERS AND MANY OF OUR FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE ST. PETER SCHOOL WEBSITE [stpeterschoolri.com](http://stpeterschoolri.com)**

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: *He who dares to teach must never cease to learn.***  
**-Anonymous**

God Bless,

Joan Sickinger  
Principal

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