

August 30, 2017
"Tweet Version"

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wed Aug 30: Fall Festival Planning Meeting at 6:30pm in 4th grade
 Mandatory 8th grade parent meeting at 6:30pm in 8th grade
 Fri Sept 1: NOON Dismissal / Teacher in Service - ELP available
 Sun Sept 3: St. Paul School Jubilee Celebration Mass
 Mon Sept 4: School Holiday in celebration of Labor Day
 Tues Sept 5: 1st PTG meeting of the year at 6:30pm in 4th grade
 Star Testing begins
 Middle School Math Club - each Tuesday
 Fri Sept 8: Breakfast with the Principal
 Mass sponsored by the 8th grade
 Sun Sept 10: All School mass at 10:30 sponsored by 8th grade
 Mon Sept 11: Back to School Night
 Wed Sept 20: Picture Day!

Weekly Prayer

Dear Father in heaven, open our hearts to see what is good in our lives. May the light in our hearts shine clearly so that we see, recognize, and live in accordance with what comes from eternity and belongs to our true nature, brought to us through Christ. Keep us from being blinded and deafened by experiences that will pass by. Help us to rise above them even in suffering and to wait patiently for what is becoming new and perfect. Praise to your name that we too can say, "The old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" Amen.

As a reminder, this week, the Panther's Tale will be short and sweet...providing information in bullets. This "Tweeted" ISSUE includes..

1. **Remember:** Fri. September 1st is a Noon dismissal for everyone with ELP available.
2. **Reminder:** Please send your child with SNACK EVERY DAY. Thank you.



3. **Remind** your children to do a little each day and read...
4. **St. Paul School Jubilee Celebration:** If you are home during the Labor Day weekend, please join us on Sunday, Sept. 3rd at the 10:30 mass in celebration of St. Paul school 65 years educating the "Whole Child". We will serve donuts after mass in honor of our community. We will be celebrating the entire year with Hope and Joy!
5. **Parent Skill and Talent Survey:** Please complete by Tuesday, September 5th. All children whose parents participate will receive FREE DRESS on Thursday, September 7th. We want to match your talents and skills with our needs to plan great events, beautify the school, classroom needs and activities. This information will help us

help you with earning your PPH hours!

Please click on the link below or copy and paste the link into your browser to access:

<https://goo.gl/forms/zdXIatCuoOLmFHhS2>

6. Volunteer: Go to www.st-paulschool.org > Parents > Volunteer > click on Sign up.com and sign up

7. St. Paul Lunch Program: Food4Thought Lunch program offers both hot and cold lunch options daily. The menu is now available and begins August 24th and runs throughout September. Please log in at www.f4tc.com and sign up for a new account for the year. Our school code for the new software is 129. Any questions or assistance, please go to <http://support.hotlunch.com/> for help.

8. Up to Date information: You are encouraged to always check the school calendar on our website - www.st-pauschool.org. This year we are indicating all the masses, fieldtrips and days off. It will be the most up-to date changes and additions.

9. Spanish class: Please see the letter sent to the parents of the 4th thru 8th graders about our offering of Spanish enrichment class this year.

10. Follow up Welcome back Town Hall and BBQ: Thank you for welcoming the 2017-2018 school year with our BBQ / Town Hall meeting. Thank you to Sherrice for organizing the BBQ. Thank you to Miguel Espinosa for his DJ talents. Thank you for all who helped make the event enjoyable, tasty and safe (at the end!). Help me to recognize those parents who have taken on leadership roles on the Board, PTG, Committees and Room parents. See list for Room Parents attached and on website under the Parents > Volunteer tab.

Board Presidents: Rick Velez
and Artun Cingoz

Board Secretary: Fiona Velez

PTG President: Sherrice Dorsey-Smith

PTG vice President: Jessica Carbajal

PTG Secretary: Raquel Segovia

Lead Room parents: Annette Herrera
and Angelica Contreras

11. PTG: Together we will make this a year of hope and joy and successes and growth. Please take a moment to read Sherrie's and Jessica's welcome letter to our community.

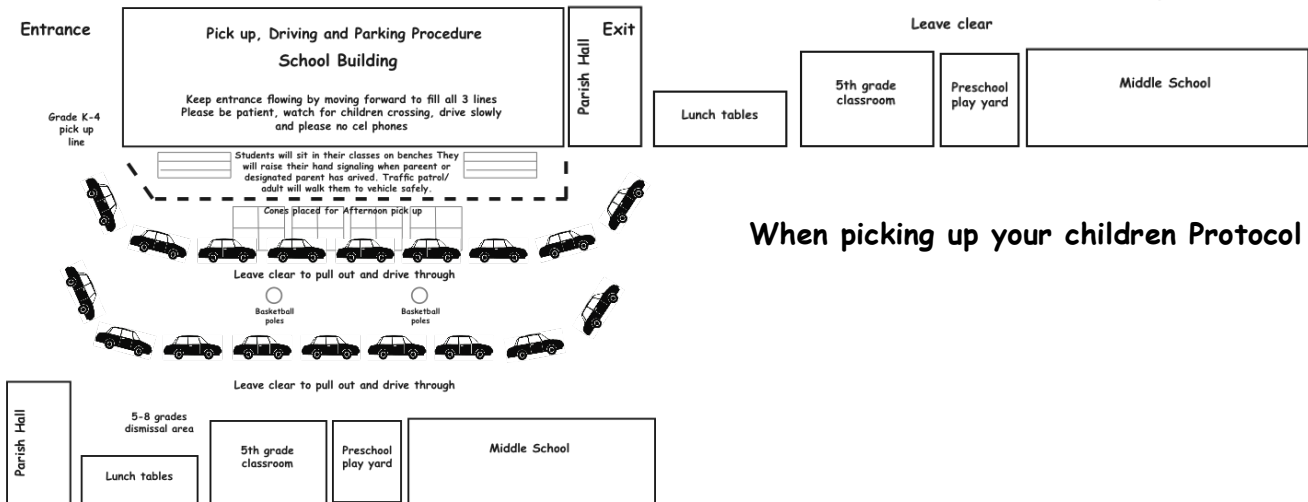
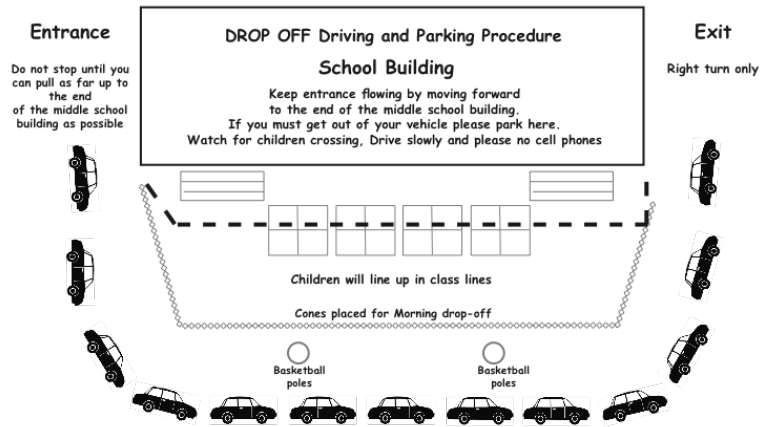
12. Breakfast with the Principal: Join us for a light Breakfast and a prayer with the Principal held the first Friday of the month from 8:00 to 8:50am. this monthly activity is a great chance to meet other parents and extended family members. We often engage in several topics of conversation ranging from academic conversation, questions about school policy, and volunteer opportunities to brainstorming, "what if" sessions and just spending time getting to know one another.

13. Cross Country: If you are interested in signing up your Kindergartner - 8th grade students please email Coach Cruz at nacruz@comcast.net See flier attached

14. Math Counts Club: This middle school club will meet once a week during lunch. Thanks Ms. Bull

15. "Tell two Friends": It is not too late to tell your friends about the advantages of St. Paul School's wonderful loving and caring learning environment and parent community. If a family you recommend enrolls and attends the school for a year, you will receive a reduction of \$200 on your last tuition payment of the 2017-2018 school year.

Drop off your Protocol



When picking up your children Protocol

16. We have been chosen Best of the Bay 2017 this year in four categories:

Gold: Best Alternative Learning Styles and Best Bilingual Middle School in Contra Costa County

Silver: Best Faith Based Middle School in Contra Costa County

Bronze: Best Small Preschool (30 or less) in Contra Costa County

Thank you so very much parents for your votes and having faith in always trying to do our best for your children....the teachers, staff and I are most honored!



Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
 EVENTS**

17. Opening of the San Pablo Library: For information...

<http://richmondstandard.com/2017/08/19/new-san-pablo-library-celebrates-grand-opening/>

Back to School Closet 2016: The San Pablo Youth Commission hosted the 7th Annual Back to School Closet on Saturday, September 10, 2016 at Davis Park from 10am to 1pm. The event attracted over 350 children, youth and their parents, who received free gently-used clothing, shoes, toys, books and other items. For the first time, the Back to School Closet also included a resource fair, which offered free flu shots from Walgreens, sample produce

from Fresh Approach, and information on local agencies. Children ages 5 to 13 participated in a Jump Rope Contest and eight contestants won backpacks with school supplies. At the end of the event, staff raffled ten new backpacks and three gently used bikes. Families were very appreciative, making it a heartwarming event for everyone involved.