



Notes from St. Patrick School Office for the week of
January 7, 2018

**REMINDER – NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, JANUARY 18
or MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2019**

Welcome back to the second semester of the 2018-2019 school year!!



Financial Assistance – FACTS forms are available online at factsmgt.com/aid. The **deadline is March 1, 2019**. Registration has been changed to **Tuesday, April 30, 2019** from 3:00 to 6:30pm. Any families requesting financial aid must complete an Empower Illinois and FACTS form before awards are made.

Mark your calendar – Catholic Schools Week



Open House and school visitation will be Monday, January 28, 2019, 8:00am through the lunch hour for K through 8th grade. Make a lunch reservation. Open house for the Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 classes will be Wednesday, January 30, 2019 from 8:00am to 9:30am. Please join us for Pastries with Parents 6:45 to 7:30am on Monday, January 28, 2019.

Thanks! – Thanks to the Home & School volunteers for preparing refreshments during the holiday movie and Christmas Sing-a-long.



Compliments – Choir students in grades 3 to 8 performed at several senior settings. Residents were appreciative and commented on how well students performed and their outstanding behavior.



Protecting God's Children – The next PGC class will be on Sunday, January 13 at St. James Parish House at 1:00pm please call 429-5363 to register

Volunteer Hours – Notes will be sent home indicating the number of volunteer hours each family has offered to the school. Remember: Anyone who volunteers must have completed the Protecting God's Children and background check requirements to be awarded volunteer credit. If your record needs to be updated, please call the school office or send in your volunteer contract hour sheets. 20 hour completion certificates will also be sent home.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!! – Another opportunity to get your 20 hours of volunteer work if you have completed the Protecting God's Children requirements.

1. Door Greeter – 7:40 to 8:10am
2. Playground Supervisor 11:00am to 12:30pm
3. **Auction Committee – We need you!! Next meeting is Tuesday, January 15 at 6pm**
4. Work in library – shelve books
5. Help with Book Fair January 26 to January 31

Call the school office to volunteer and for more details.



Scholastic Bowl – Practices are held weekly in preparation for two months of competition in March and April. Any student in grades 6, 7, & 8 may join the team. The first practice is Monday, January 7 from 3:00 to 4:15pm. This is a combined Holy Family-St. Patrick School team.

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Yearbook Photos – Yearbook photographs for classrooms, athletic teams, choir, and all other groups have been scheduled for Wednesday, January 16 starting at 8:00am. Athletic teams and any other group may wear athletic team uniforms or other uniforms for pictures only and then change back to uniforms



Quarter Grades – First & Second quarter grades can be viewed on FastDirect January 11. Computer access is available in the school library. Please notify the office if you need a hard copy mailed home. Second Semester began Monday, January 7.



Family Flags – are due Thursday, January 17 for families new to St. Patrick School. Flags will be on display in the cafeteria.



Crisis Plan – St. Patrick School has a Crisis Plan in place. It is updated each year with the assistance of our local police department. St. Patrick School is a locked facility with view screen at each main entry. Teachers are assigned morning duty, playground duty, and after school duty. All these steps help in reassuring parents that our school community is doing all within its power to keep children safe.

The Decatur Police Department will conduct a practical Intruder Drill with faculty and staff only on Friday, January 18.

Monday, January 7, 2019

- ✚ Scholastic Bowl Practice 3:00 to 4:15pm
- ✚ Bingo – Macon County Fairgrounds 5:30pm

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

- ✚ 8:00am Mass all school in attendance
- ✚ Home & School Board meeting 6pm

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

- ✚ All city Catholic School Spelling Bee at St. Patrick School 3:30pm

Thursday, January 10, 2019

- ✚ Mass 8:00am, Jr. High in attendance
- ✚ Retreat for those being confirmed – Save the Eagles Day

Friday, January 11, 2019

- ✚ Report cards available online
- ✚ Alumni Committee Meeting 9:30am
- ✚ Non uniform day due to reaching the box top goal of 3194

Upcoming Events

- Book Fair January 26 to January 31, 2018
- Students present at 10:00am Mass Sunday, January 27 at St. Patrick to kick off Annual Fund and Catholic Schools Week. They sing and present at 8:30am Mass on Sunday, Jan. 27 at St. James.
- Pastries with Parents Monday, January 28, 2019
- Open House visitation for grades Kindergarten to grade 8 Monday, January 28 8:00am to lunch. Grades Kdg and 1 will have their schedules sent home
- Open House visitation for Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4, Wednesday, January 30, 8 to 9:30
- Blood Drive January 30, 3:00 to 5:30pm
- ACRE religion test grades 5 and 8 February 5, 2019

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