



*The President's Hebdomadal **Blue Ribbon (again!)** Newsletter*

Celebrating 110 years of educational excellence in Covington

341 years of Lasallian tradition throughout the world

November 08 – 14, 2021



Welcome to the fifth week (can you believe it?) of the second quarter!
Time marches on; all we can do is make the most of it.



SSA & SPS receive the coveted National Blue Ribbon Award in Washington on Friday! We were the only two private schools in LA to receive the award this year and two of only 23 private schools in the country! Geaux SSA & SPS!

Mon, Nov 8 (C D E F)

- **This Day in History:** In 1793, the revolutionary French government opens the Louvre as a public museum. Today, the Louvre's collection is one of the richest in the world, with artwork representative of 11,000 years of civilization and culture. Spend time on The Louvre's website (www.louvre.fr/en) to absorb some culture.
- **TDIH:** In 1892, Former president Grover Cleveland beat incumbent Benjamin Harrison and became the only president to win nonconsecutive terms in the White House.
- **Abet and Aid Punsters Day:** a day to make dreadful puns. See H of the W for my contributions!
- **Cook Something Bold and Pungent Day:** Here in SE Louisiana, that's easy to do! Enjoy!

Tue, Nov 9 (G A B C – President's Assembly)

- **TDIH:** In 1938, in a Holocaust foreshadowing, German Nazis terrorized Jewish people and destroyed their homes & businesses in Germany and Austria. The violence, which continued through Nov 10, was later dubbed "Kristallnacht," or "Night of Broken Glass," after the countless smashed windows of Jewish-owned businesses.
- **TDIH:** In 1989, the Berlin Wall was opened up after standing for 28 years as a symbol of the Cold War.
- **Chaos Never Dies Day:** Get used to it – life is always going to be chaotic!

Wed, Nov 10 (D E F G; 10th grade HR Breakfast in BAC)

- **TDIH:** In 1969, "Sesame Street," a TV show that would teach generations of children the alphabet and how to count, debuts with its memorable theme song ("Can you tell me how to get/How to get to Sesame Street"), SS is the most widely viewed children's program in the world, airing in more than 120 countries.
- **TDIH:** In 1942, following the British victory at El Alamein in North Africa during WW II, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill stated "This is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."
- **TDIH:** In 1951, the first long distance phone call without operator assistance took place.
- **Tongue Twister Day:** Peter Piper and the girl selling sea shells by the seashore are child's play in comparison to what is considered, according to Guinness Book of World Records, the most difficult tongue twister in English: "The sixth sick sheikh's sixth sheep's sick." Practice it!
- **USMC Day** celebrates the United States Marine Corps, created by the Continental Congress on Nov 10, 1775. We give thanks to the Marines for all of their sacrifices so that we can enjoy freedom.

Thu, Nov 11 (A B C D; 11th grade HR Breakfast in the BAC)

- **Veterans Day – We salute and honor all who have served our country!**
- **TDIH:** At the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, WW I ended, leaving 9 million soldiers & 5 million civilians dead and 21 million wounded. The "War to End All Wars" didn't. We pray for all who have served our country, especially those who made "the ultimate sacrifice." And we pray for an end to war.



Our art Wolves enjoy the new space in the expanded art room.

- **TDIH:** 1620, The Mayflower Compact was signed which would become the basis of government for all of the American colonies.
- **Young Readers Day:** READ today – both the young and the young at heart!

Fri, Nov 12 (E F G A; 12 grade HR Breakfast)

- **TDIH:** In 2015, we celebrated Trevor and Joe's return from Washington with our Blue-Ribbon award with a special school assembly and treats from the Mothers' Club. It was a magical day for us!
- **TDIH:** In 1954, Ellis Island, gateway to America, closes; more than 12 million immigrants landed there .
- **TDIH:** In 1920, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis is elected first baseball commissioner.
- **Pizza with the Works except Anchovies Day:** Enjoy, but hold the anchovies.

Sat, Nov 13

- **TDIH:** In 1805, Johann George Lehner, a Viennese butcher, invents the "frankfurter." Enjoy a hot dog!
- **TDIH:** In 1956, The US Supreme Court rules that racial segregation on public buses was unconstitutional.
- **TDIH:** In 1789, Ben Franklin wrote this famous phrase: "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes." The words were the second half of a sentence he'd written in a letter his friend Jean-Baptiste Leroy. It was shortly after the United States Constitution had been ratified, and his entire sentence was this: "Our new Constitution is now established, and has an appearance that promises permanency, but in this world, nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes."
- **World Kindness Day:** perform an act of kindness today – and every day!

Sun, Nov 14

- **TDIH:** 1968, Yale University announced it was going co-ed. SPS will not imitate Yale!
- **TDIH:** Herman Melville's Moby Dick is published. Can you recite the opening line? Answer at end.
- **TDIH:** French painter Claude Monet was born in 1840. He pioneered the impressionist style in his landscapes. See some Monet's works at <http://www.claudemonetgallery.org/the-complete-works.html>
- **Loosen Up, Lighten Up Day:** loosen up today!
- **American Teddy Bear Day:** I keep one in my office for those really tough days!
- **Spicy Guacamole Day:** Ole! Mix up a batch of spicy guacamole and have a "Guac 'n Roll" party with lots of rock and roll music and play games such as "Guac 'n Bowl" by using plastic water bottles as pins and clean, dried, avocado seeds as bowling balls! [Who thinks of these things?]
- **Pickle Day:** If you like pickles, you're in luck: they're low in calories, have no fat and have probiotic benefits.



Pre-freshman and mom enjoy Honor Roll Breakfast!

Cucumbers were probably first pickled 4,500 years ago in Mesopotamia, and spread around the world across trade routes. Today, there are thousands of different types of pickles in the world's cuisine. Asia consumes more pickles per capita than any other region. Enjoy your favorite pickle today – but don't be one and stay out of 'em. (get it?) Interesting etymological fact: William Shakespeare actually coined the term "in a pickle" in his play, *The Tempest*. In Act V, King Alonso asks his jester, Trinculo, "How camest thou in this pickle?" What Alonso actually meant was "how did you get so drunk?" Shakespeare's original intent makes sense since many pickling processes used alcohol. Since Trinculo's drinking does cause trouble for him, the phrase morphed into meaning "being in trouble." And now you know!

Rise Up, O Men of God

I draw the following to your attention (in alphabetical order, not order of importance):

ACT ACADEMY: Preparation for success on the ACT is a marathon, not a sprint. DAILY practice is ideal, starting in 8th grade. MANY materials (often free!) are available. Here is a good one: the ACT Academy. ACT Academy has a wealth of free prep. It grows each year and has turned into the *Khan Academy* for ACT. Encourage your sons to prep for ACT regularly. Here is the link: <https://academy.act.org/>

AFTER SCHOOL: The Library remains open to students until 4 pm. If your son is looking for a comfortable place to wait for his ride and get a jump on his homework, this is a good option for him.

ATHLETICS: Any St. Paul's student wishing to participate in a sport must have a completed physical on file. Forms can be found under the athletic tab on our website.

ATTENDANCE: Please follow all SPS attendance regulations in the Student-Parent Handbook and make Mrs. Suzy's job as easy as possible. Thank you for your cooperation. The State of Louisiana limits the number of days a student may miss and still receive credit. Saint Paul's adheres to these regulations. **Please do not allow your sons to miss school for less than very serious reasons.**

CAFETERIA: NEW from Ellen Gauthreaux, executive director of School Food & Nutrition Services:
School Food and Nutrition Services (SFNS) is facing some significant challenges. In addition to the COVID-19 pandemic and the aftermath of Hurricane Ida, a labor shortage has affected the food distribution and production industries. Unfilled cafeteria positions are forcing some cafeterias to stop preparing homemade items, offer less food choices and work harder than ever. Many food shortages have been encountered, including ground beef, chicken nuggets, margarine, bread and juice. To ensure that our cafeterias receive the necessary components to serve healthy meal options, we are in constant communication with our vendors. I apologize for the inconvenience your students are encountering. Menu changes and food options are changing constantly. However, SFNS is committed to serving your students. Every child will continue to have access to safe and nutritious school meals in spite of the challenges we face....it is our profession....it is our passion....it is our ministry.

- ALL students may receive a FREE BREAKFAST and LUNCH **throughout the rest of the school year!** Students MUST still obtain the meals with their ID card (no ID, no food) but it is FREE. **Breakfast and lunch remain FREE – but the boys are charged if they order “extras” servings.**



CALENDAR EDITS: We are adjusting our calendar to eliminate the Fall Break Day on Oct 2, the Archdiocesan Formation Day on Nov 8, and the start of Christmas holidays on Dec 17. These are now school days, which Christmas holidays beginning after exams on Dec. 17th.

CALENDAR FOR 2021 - 22: The calendar assumes full operation. Any disruption to the school operation due to COVID 19 or other natural disasters may result in alteration of the calendar.

- Mon-Fri, Nov 22 - 26 Thanksgiving Holidays
- Mon, Nov 29 Classes resume from Thanksgiving Holiday
- Mon - Fri, Dec 13-17 Semester Exams
- Fri, Dec 17 Christmas Holidays begin at 11:45 following exams
- Mon, Jan 03 Classes resume & Second Semester begins
- Mon, Jan 17 Martin Luther King Holiday
- Mon, Feb 07 Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7 pm
- Fri, Feb 25 Faculty Retreat Day (no classes for students)
- Mon-Fri, Feb 28 -Mar. 04 Mardi Gras / Beginning of Lent Holidays
- Mon, Mar 7 Classes resume
- Fri, Mar 11 End of Third Quarter
- Fri – Fri Apr 15 – 22 Easter Holidays
- Mon, Apr 25 Classes resume from Easter Holidays
- Wed-Fri, Apr 27 – 29 Senior Final Exams
- Thu, May 12 Pre-freshman Promotion Ceremony (6:30 pm)
- Sat, May 14 Senior Graduation (4 pm)
- Tues – Fri, May 17 - 20 Final Exams for Grades 8 - 11
- Mon, May 23 Conflict/Makeup Exam Day
- Tues, May 24 Conflict/Makeup Exam Day/Faculty Records Day

In case of emergency closings, student make-up days will be taken from scheduled holidays – as we did with Ida. Please do not schedule vacations during school time.

COATS FOR KIDS: The Knights of Columbus is collecting coats for kids and young adults. If you have any gently worn or new coats to donate, please drop them off outside of Ms. Claire's office in main school building.

DRAMA: Our acclaimed drama department, The Marian Players, opens its fall season on Nov 10 with “Peter and the Starcatcher.” It’s a prequel to the Peter Pan story. Due to COVID, seating is limited so get your tickets early on our website, <https://ticketpeak.co/stpauls/events>

DRESS CODE: Students must be in compliance with the dress code. Refer to previous newsletters or the student handbook on our website for particulars if you are still unsure about dress code. **Note: We have a number of clean, pre-owned SPS uniform shirts and khaki shorts in good condition. Feel free to ask for some of these clothes. Nothing is done to embarrass a student and no one will know. Thanks to those families who supply us with their outgrown uniforms. Just call Andrea in the Admin Bldg.**



DRIVER'S LICENSE PROOF OF ATTENDANCE: Your son needs proof of attendance in order to get a learner's permit **and another one** when he gets his permanent license. The forms are in the counseling department or the administration building. This is a legislative act.

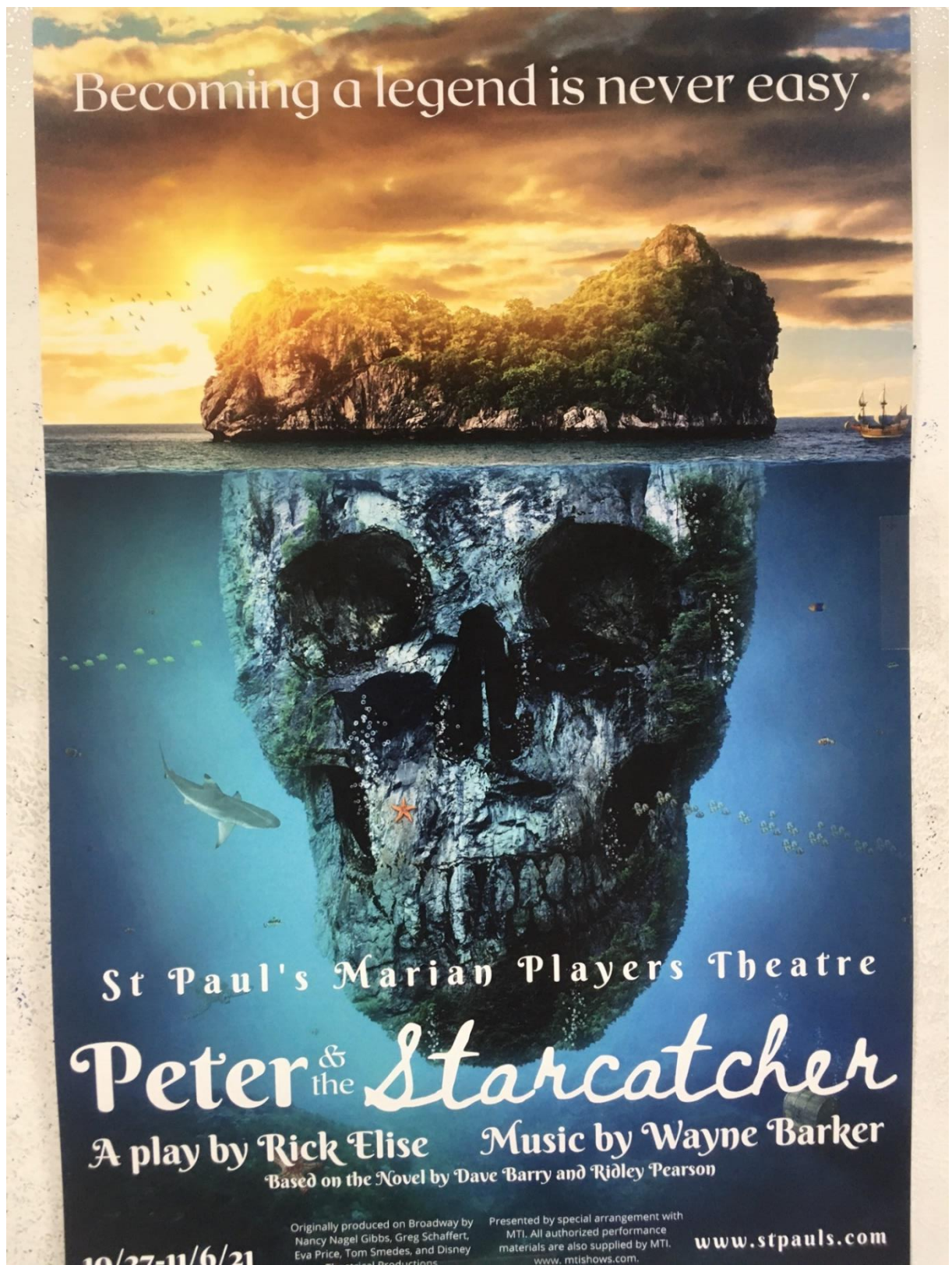
HAND SANITIZING: School policy calls for each student to hand sanitize when entering each class. Ample supplies of hand sanitizer are in each classroom. Please encourage your sons to cooperate with this hygienic practice. As flu season approaches, sanitizing becomes more important than ever.

HELPING SPS: Don't forget: here are painless way to help SPS:

- If you shop at Office Depot, give the SPS school code (70041640) and SPS receives 5% of your purchase!
- We also collect Box Tops for Education (have your son bring them to his math teacher)
- We also receive a portion of sales from Amazon Prime.

HONOR ROLL BREAKFASTS: We continue with 10th grade on Nov 10, 11th grade on Nov 11, and 12th grade on Nov 12. All are in the BAC. We have been able to ease some COVID modifications. Masks are no longer required. **The following will apply:**

- **Students may have TWO guests.** Please do not bring more. We do not have space or food for extras.
- Students and guests go **DIRECTLY** to the BAC. They do **NOT** go to class first.
- Fare will be individually wrapped Chick-fil-A chicken biscuits, boxed fruit, coffee, juice and water;
- We begin at 7:50 sharp and it's over by 8:30 at the latest. Students will be recognized individually, and yours truly will make some congratulatory remarks. COVID can't stop my vocab lessons!
- Congratulations to our honor roll students!



The play opens this week. Order your tickets on our website, www.stpauls.com

It will be great. Geaux Marian Players!

LAST WEEK

- **All Saints Day Mass:** The mass was particularly uplifting for me. Thanks to all who helped. The boys sang robustly – as young men ought to. They were also attentive and participative.
- **Blue Ribbon:** Joe and Trevor represented is well in D.C. – and returned with our Blue Ribbon!
- **Cross Country:** Wolves finished 4th in Regional Qualifying Meet. Gage Graham and Dominic Muguira finished in top 25. On to State! Geaux CC Wolves!
- **Dia de los Muertos:** Thanks to Spanish Dept, especially Liz Brett, for keeping this meaningful tradition alive.
- **First Friday Adoration:** Thanks to the Religion Dept for continuing this important Catholic devotion.
- **Football:** 9th tied but JV beat F'bleau – as did Varsity (big time.) On to the playoffs!
- **HR Breakfasts.** Our first two HRBs went well – at least I thought so! The BAC was full and the boys tolerated my vocabulary lesson! Thanks to our Physical Plant crew and Development Team for arranging the logistics. Thanks, too, to Rick Gonzales, proprietor of Chick-fil-A on Hwy 190, for his assistance. Two down; three to go. And Gina Hall did a great job subbing for Joe (who was in DC) in reading the names.
- **Jubilarian Assembly:** Our 50-year alums were very pleased with the assembly and the school last Fri. I hope your sons told you about it.
- **Tennis:** Our Tennis Wolves defeated the reigning State Championship tennis team, the Catholic Bears, in a scrimmage last Thursday at Stone Creek.
- **Wrestling:** Congrats to Matt & Wrestling Wolves on their big win, beating Mandeville 83 - 0. Wow! And junior high acquitted themselves well at Bro. Martin tournament on Sat.

LUMINARIAS: Our annual Festival of Lights is Thursday, Dec 2, beginning at dusk. On Tue, November 30, the boys will construct the luminaria bags in Wolf Packs but the festival is Thursday, Dec 2.

MARCH THROUGH THE ARCH PICTURES FOR SENIORS ARE IN:

Expressions Photography did an outstanding job in producing this year's March through the Arch pictures for seniors. The pictures are in the Administration Building and may be picked up during regular business hours. If you want your son to pick up the pic and bring it home, please send a note authorizing him to do so. Unfortunately, we must do this as in the past, some seniors got the pics and left them in their book bags or back car seats and the pics never made it home.

Thanks to Expressions for making this year's pics so memorable.

MASKS: Governor John Bel Edwards has lifted the mask mandate for schools that follow the CDC quarantine guidelines – which SPS does. Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Dr. RaeNell Houston has informed us that we may follow the Governor's procedures. Accordingly, our mask mandate is lifted but students and guests may still mask if they wish. No problem.

NOVEMBER: In case you are looking to celebrate something, November is National Adoption Month, AIDS Awareness Month, Alzheimer's Disease Month, American Diabetes Month, American Indian Heritage Month, Aviation History Month, Diabetic Eye Disease Month, Epilepsy Awareness Month, Family Caregivers Month, Family Stories Month, Georgia Pecan Month, Gluten-Free Diet Awareness Month Inspirational Role Models Month, Long-Term Care Month, Lung Cancer Awareness Month, Month of the Military Family, Peanut Butter Lovers' Month, Pet Cancer Awareness Month, Pomegranate Month, Prematurity Awareness Month, Roasting Month, Scholarship Month, and Vegan Month -- something for everyone!

NEED MORE INFO? For academic issues, contact teachers, counselors, Principal Trevor Watkins, Assistant Principal Joe Dickens, or Curriculum Coordinator Lee Pierre. For discipline, attendance, or dress code, call Mr. Ken Sears, Dean of Students. Finances? Call Mrs. Jo Sutherlin or me. Athletics? Contact the coaches or Mr. Sam Francis, Athletic Director. Naturally, call me if I can help. **My office phone is 985/892-3200, x 1901 & my cell phone is 985/966-1138, my email is broray@stpauls.com or hit "reply" to this email!**



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OCTOBERFEST: Saint Paul's first Oktoberfest has been **re-scheduled** for Saturday, December 4 on Saint Paul's campus. Dust off your dirndl dress, launder your lederhosen and join us for an EPIC day of stein slurping with your best mates! The German-inspired, family-friendly celebration will make its oom-pah, inaugural arrival with contest traditions for stein-carrying, pretzel-whistling, and strudel-eating, along with a dancing, live entertainment and an array of authentic, Bavarian food. General admission is \$5 per person. Children 6 and under are free. Check out our sponsorship opportunities today at www.stpauls.com



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REPORT CARDS, SEMESTER GRADES, & HONOR ROLL BREAKFAST: We emailed a first quarter report card on Friday, Oct 15. Let me know if you don't receive it, but check your spam folder first as they often land there. **Remember that the first quarter accounts for 40% of the semester grade, with the second quarter accounting for 40% and the semester exam accounting for 20%. Remember that the only grade that really counts is the SEMESTER grade – that's the one that goes on transcripts and is used to calculate grade point average.**



Freshmen honor roll students stand for recognition as their names are called at Honor Roll Breakfast.

SCHOOL SAFETY: School safety remains paramount for all. Promote safety with your son. Safety is EVERYONE’S JOB. Report ANY rumor or safety threat. Encourage your sons to report, too. **All visitors to campus must sign in and receive a Visitor’s Pass – and wear a mask. You may not just wander the campus. Thanks for understanding this procedure.** Our prayers rise to heaven for a safe school year and the elimination of violence of all kinds in our schools – and in all of society.

SILENT SUSTAINED READING: SSR occurs during the first 15 minutes of Block 2, when everyone reads silently for 15 minutes. This is not a time for homework, tutoring, studying textbooks or doing assigned reading, but is designed to make reading a school-wide priority by reading for pleasure. We hope to develop a population of self-motivated readers. The program was created over 30 years ago at the University of Vermont and over the years has resulted in increased vocabulary development, reading fluency and comprehension, writing quality, improved standardized test scores, increased background knowledge on a wide range of topics, and increased reading time out of school. Students were instructed to bring their own reading material but we will have classrooms stocked with magazines, novels, short stories, etc. **Help your son prepare for this initiative and have him come prepared every day for SSR.** He should bring a PRINTED READING MATERIAL – not electronic material **You might want to consider initiating a family SSR time, too!** I’ll keep you posted as to how things go.

SOCIAL MEDIA: Connect with SPS on social media to see the latest pics and posts of all the great events at St. Paul's School. The Facebook and Twitter feeds are on our newly re-vamped website, or you can follow us at

- Facebook @St.Pauls.School.Covington.Louisiana
- Twitter @SPSWolfpack

Social Media II: Parents, speak with your sons about social media use. We have already dealt with issues. Inappropriate postings can have legal ramifications. In addition, SPS reserves the right to impose consequences on our students who misuse social media. And read about Tic Toc!

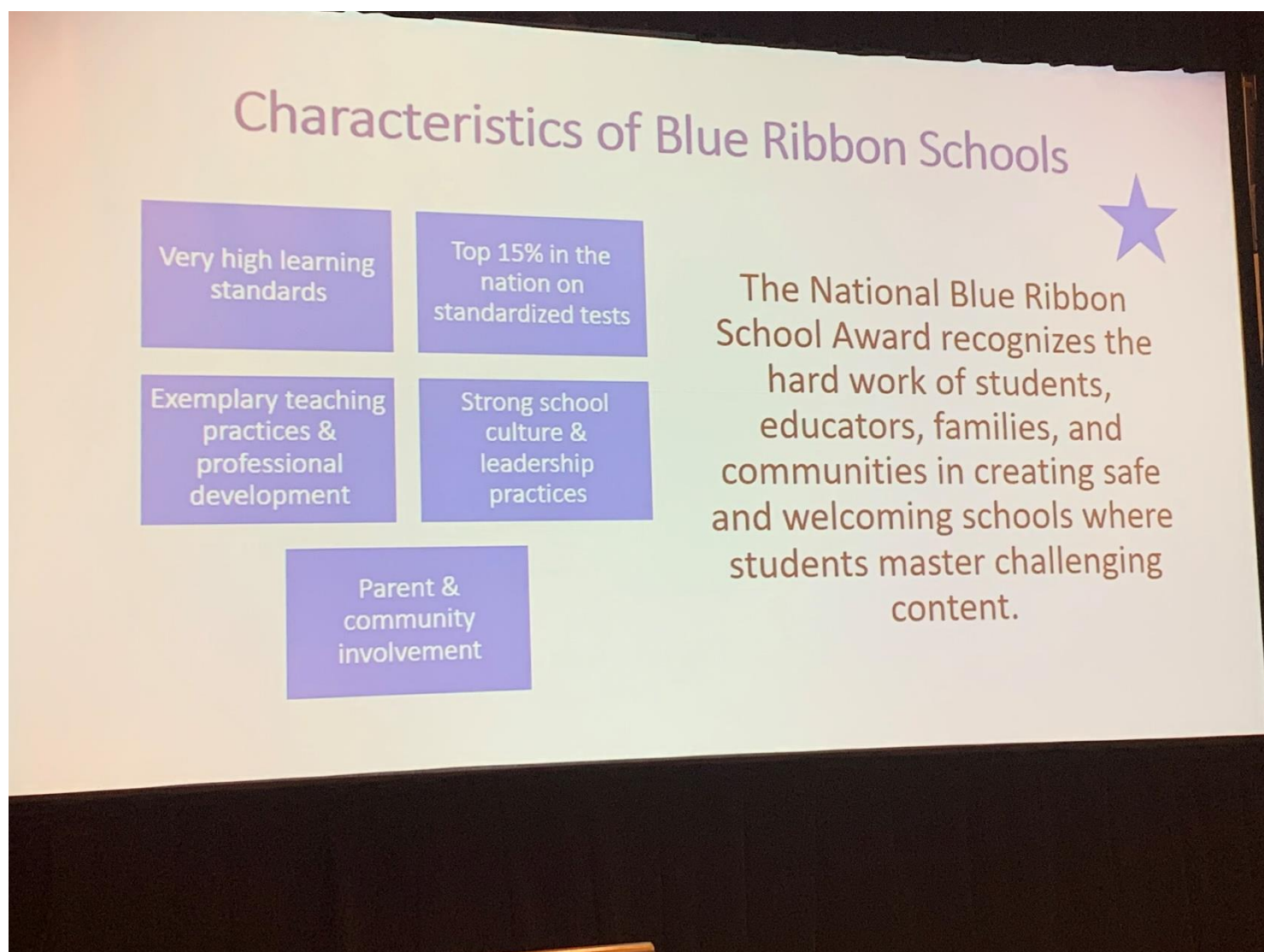


Students listen intently as a rep from Spring Hill College speaks in the Counseling Center last week.

SLOW YOUR ROLL. This week is the two-year anniversary of Mayor Mark Johnson's initiative to improve driving habits within Covington – one of his main campaign pledges. Did you know:

- Two of the most often repeated complaints to the candidates in last year's election were speeding and the running of stop signs? And SPS students/parents came in for their fair share of blame!
- On any given weekday, over 15,000 people drive into and out of Covington?
- Many of our streets were laid out PRIOR to the invention of the automobile, thus not designed for cars?

Mayor Mark's goal is "to change driving habits in our city...to have each of us understand that speeds over 25 MPH are not safe on most of our streets." The Mayor is asking everyone to "relax, take a deep breath and slow down. I applaud the Mayor's initiative and pledged to him our support. Please reinforce this with students whenever possible. I do so with parents. And please set a good example yourself, as in the words of Saint La Salle: **"Preach by example, and practice before the eyes of the young what you wish them to accept."**



TRAFFIC FLOW ON CAMPUS: If you drop off or pick up your son, you will meet road congestion around our campus. We ask your help in improving the traffic flow and safety:

- Consider an alternate pick-up location for your son other than Founder's Circle. These include the drop off area by the Gene Bennett Sports Complex, the parking lot on the corner of 13th and Jefferson St. or the parking lot at LaSalle Hall on 11th Avenue. You can drive through these parking lots or wait in a parking space there without holding up traffic elsewhere.

- DO NOT pick up your son using the shoulder of 11th Avenue. This is a dangerous area with poor visibility and further backs up traffic when you stop to load or unload.
- If you use the LaSalle Drive (main entrance) car line, please wait to the left so that thru traffic can still move through our campus using the right lane.
- Coordinate with your son about where and when you will meet him in the afternoon. If he is not present when you drive through, please proceed to a parking lot and wait for him there. If you stop in the car line to wait, you are holding up all cars behind you.
- Remind your son to be on the lookout for your car as you drive up.
- Our primary concern is safety, so please adhere to all speed limit and traffic rules in the school area. We are working closely with the Covington Police Department to find solutions to traffic around school. Working together, we can improve both safety and circulation around our campus.

TUTORING: Our National Honor offers FREE tutoring during lunch periods. Subjects offered are Science, Math, and English. Encourage your son to take advantage of this free service.

UNIFORMS: Reminders:

- Uniform shirts, ties, and socks are sold by Bayou Uniform (13488 Seymour Myers Blvd) in Covington. Only white SPS socks are allowed.
- Sweatshirts, fleeces, PE uniforms, etc. are sold by the Mothers Club bookstore.
- Khaki pants/shorts may come from any vendor as long as they are NOT cargo pants and are standard tan khaki color, not green or brown.
- There is no uniform shoe but no sandals, etc. are allowed. The more conservative the better.
- We now have a “dress uniform” which will be worn on special occasions: LONG khaki pants, dress white shirt (any brand is OK even if it has a small logo), dress socks, belt, SCHOOL TIE, and any shoe that is not a tennis/athletic shoe.
- ID cards must be worn DAILY. This is a safety measure.
- **MASKS must be worn daily. This, too, is a safety measure,**



We will begin moving into the new band hall this week!

VISITOR'S PASS: You may not just wander the campus. You must sign in at the Administration Building, the Attendance Office, or the Counseling Office to obtain a pass to be on campus during school hours. Thanks for understanding this procedure. Our prayers rise to heaven for a safe school year!

WOLF PACKS: Each student is assigned to a multi-level Wolf Pack, led by a staff member. Most students stay with that staff member throughout their SPS career. We address various issues during the twenty-minute meeting. We meet again this Tuesday.



Steven leads general intercessions at All Saints Day Mass last Monday.

VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK, NOV 7-

13: National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. *The Lasallian family is especially invited to participate in National Vocation Awareness Week. As the Rule of the Brothers states, "The entire People of God is responsible for awakening vocations in the Church." For those seeking their path in life, Brother Superior General Robert Schieler, FSC, wrote in a 2017 letter on Founder's Day, as Lasallians, we need to invite young people to, "come and tell us where they find community, what gives the deepest meaning to their lives, what causes and concerns move them to action, and where they meet God in their lives?" Here is the Brothers' Vocation Website:*

<https://brothersvocation.org/>

WEEKLY HUMOR: Abet a Punster Day may have come and gone, but the puns remain:

1. What do you call a pile of kittens? A meowtain.
2. Never criticize someone until you have walked a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you'll be a mile away, and you'll have their shoes.
3. What's a writing utensil's favorite place to go on vacation? Pencil-vania!
4. Where do beef burgers go to dance? The meatball.
5. What's the best thing about Switzerland? I don't know, but the flag is a big plus.
6. Want to hear a roof joke? The first one's on the house
7. What did the left eye say to the right eye? Between you and me, something smells
8. What's orange and sounds like a parrot? A carrot.
9. What did Mr. and Mrs. Hamburger name their daughter? Patty!
10. What's the difference between a hippo and a Zippo? One is really heavy, and the other is a little lighter.
11. Why are teddy bears never hungry? Because they're always stuffed.
12. What do you call a group of friends who love math? AlgeBROS.
13. Parallel lines have so much in common. It's a shame they'll never meet.
14. There's a fine line between a numerator and a denominator. Only a fraction of you will get this.

A LOOK AHEAD: Here are post-Ida period rotations for the first semester (assuming no more interruptions). If your son needs a driver's license or doctor appointment, try to schedule it during a "no school" day. I am always disappointed when we return from a week holiday and a student misses the first day of class to go get his license.

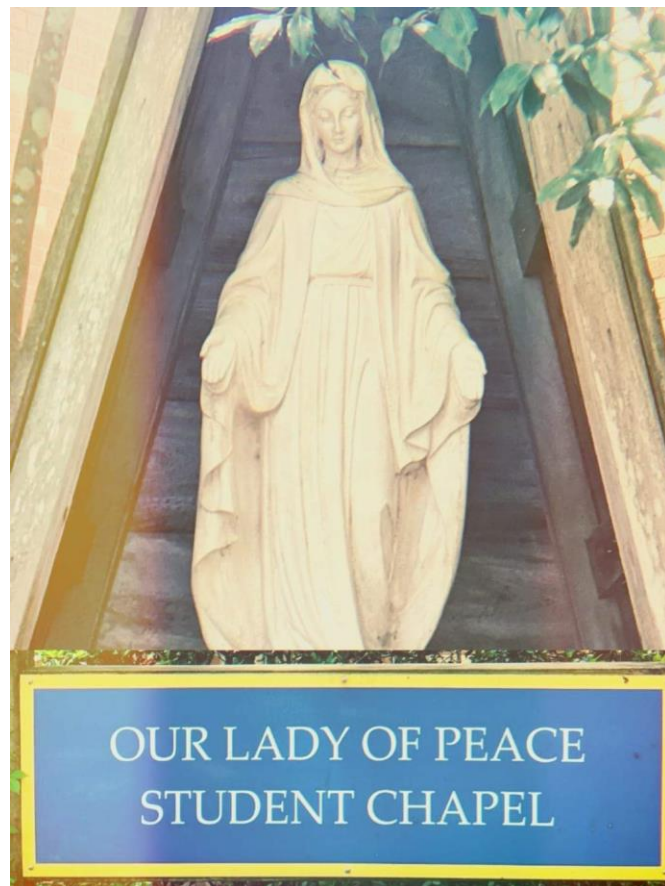
PLEASE respect the academic time we have with your son.

November

- **8 – CDEF Full day of class**
- 9 – GABC - President's Assembly
- 10 – DEFG - 10th HR Breakfast / Level Meetings
- 11 – ABCD - 11th HR Breakfast / Level Meetings
- 12 – EFGA - 12th HR Breakfast / Level Meetings
- 15 - BCDE
- 16 – FGAB - Pack Time
- 17 – CDEF – Fall food drive begins
- 18 – GABC
- 19 – DEFG – Thanksgiving holidays begin at 3; please do not begin them earlier.
- 29 - ABCD
- 30 – EFGA - Pack Time – Students prepare Luminaria

December

- 1 – BCDE
- 2 – FGAB – Luminarias celebration beginning at dusk.
- 3 - CDEF
- 6 – GABC - Late Start
- 7 – EEFG- President's Assembly
- 8 – ABCD – Mass – Immaculate Conception
- 9 – EFGA
- 10 – BCDE
- 13 – FGAB
- 14-17 – First Semester Exams. Christmas holidays begin after exams on the 17th – approximately 11:45ish.



Whew! That's enough for now! I'm sure I've forgotten something so email me if you still have a question. As usual, I'll close with a paraphrase of one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which I miss listening to while writing the newsletter since it no longer broadcasts but I still LOL thinking about it!): well, it's happened again – you've squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings! Pray that we continue to recover and help those in need! Thanks for being part of Saint Paul's! May our year be one of grace and blessing – in spite of Ida and COVID! Know of my prayer for you and call on me if I can help!

Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

Made It Through Another Week as the 17th Christian Brother President /CEO of Saint Paul's School

“Preach by example, and practice before the eyes of the young what you wish them to accept.”

- ~ St. John Baptist de La Salle (Meditation 99.2)

A few Marching Wolves lead the school in When The Saints Go Marching In as a recessional hymn at All Saints Day mass.



Let's end with Prayer with our Lasallian Prayer for Peace:

We pray to You, Lord, God of life and God of those who hope! Listen to our prayer for the whole world, for peace among all peoples, for prosperity in all lands. We pray to You that evil may be overcome and that all wars may end. We pray to you especially for the members of our Lasallian Family, who suffer from war, injustice and intolerance and for the children and young people who are poor and neglected. We pray too, God, for peace in our lives; in our towns, in our schools, in our families and in our own hearts. We pray for a peace that the world cannot give us. We pray for a peace that will make us whole and transform us into ambassadors of justice for your sake. Lord, give us Your peace!



Doing ordinary things extraordinarily well, making courageous choices, doing God's will, remaining faithful, being guided to God, continuing our Lasallian Mission, living courageously, respecting all people, and living the Gospel!

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