



The Latest Word

St. Perpetua School - Weekly Newsletter

October 11, 2023



Weekly Update from Mrs. Gotchet

Thank you all for the birthday wishes and for spoiling me on my birthday! I felt so loved and special and am incredibly grateful to be a part of this community!

Welcome to our newly revamped Latest Word! We are hoping this format will be easier to navigate as we highlight important key dates and provide live links to crucial documents. Many thanks to Mandy Fisher for her design time & talents. Take a look around and enjoy what's upcoming at St. Perpetua!

School Schedule and Calendar

Normal Bell Schedule

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays: 8:00 - 3:05pm
- Wednesdays: 9:00 - 3:05pm - Late start and mass uniforms
- Fridays: Cafe Perpetua 7:20 - 9:30am (cash or check only). Students may wear St. Perpetua spirit-wear tops and uniform bottoms.
- [Lunch Schedule](#)

Next 10 Days

- Sunday, October 15th - Pack the Pews Mass at 11:30, followed by pizza and Sunday football in the Community Center
- **October 16th - 20th - Half days 8:00am - 12:00pm for Conferences**
 - Wednesday - no late start or mass uniforms
 - Friday - students may wear St. P's spirit-wear top and uniform bottom
 - Cafe Perpetua is open on Friday, 10/20
- Sunday, October 22nd - Rise and shine mass at 9:30am - 4th graders reading & free dress passes given for those that attend

Other Important Dates

- October 23 - 27th - Red Ribbon Week & 6th Graders at Caritas
- October 30th - Picture Retakes
- October 31st - Halloween Parade at 11:00 in the lower lot, **NOON dismissal**
- November 1st - All Saints Mass, hosted by 4th grade. Bishop Barber will be the celebrant at this mass, as we also celebrate the 60th Anniversary of St. Perpetua School

Monthly School Calendar



After school care is back - 10/16 deadline for November care

We are pleased to announce that the Panther House after school care is available beginning November 1st. Please take time to review the [program details](#). If you are interest in enrolling your child(ren), please fill out the [enrollment form](#) and the [November calendar](#) with each child's dates/times they will attend. Submit forms via email to pantherhouse@stperpetuaschool.org.

Calendar and enrollment forms are due by 10/16 for November after-school care

- [Enrollment Form](#) - required for full and part-time students
- [November Part-Time Calendar](#) - fill out the dates & times attending if you are registering for part-time care.

Parent-Teacher Conferences are next week

Next week is Parent-Teacher Conferences and an important week to connect all of our wonderful homeroom teachers with you and your family. Conference slots are now filled and closed.

- **Students in grades 4 - 8 should attend the conference with their parent(s)**
- Teachers for junior high math, junior high science, PE and Spanish (K-8th) will be available in the Community Center from 12:30 - 3:30 Monday - Wednesday on a drop-in basis for parent discussions. If those times do not work, please reach out to that teacher for a different meeting time.



**** Don't forget our shortened school days: 8:00 - 12:00pm and no late start or mass on Wednesday.**



Save The Date - Wednesday, November 29th

Ladies Night Out is Wednesday, November 29th from 6:30 - 9:30pm at the St. Perpetua Community Center. Don't miss this fun evening of 'Sips & Shopping' with many unique vendors. This is a great event to invite friends to join and get a jump on your holiday shopping while supporting our school!

[Buy Tickets Now](#)



Cafe Perpetua - Friday from 7:20 - 9:30am

Fall is in the air and pumpkin treats are at Cafe` Perpetua! We are featuring pumpkin bread, pumpkin pecan coffee cake with maple icing, and pumpkin scones to name a few of our autumn goodies. Please join us at the cafe` this Friday for a spooktacularly good time! Cash and check only. **Students MUST be accompanied by an adult when the visit the cafe between 7:20 - 7:40 am.**



Meet Ms. Bri Simonich

Ms. Simonich has been with us since August and is working as the 1st and 3rd grade Instructional Assistant. She has been such a team player and has jumped in at every opportunity to help the faculty and staff with anything big or small. She is a product of the Diocese of Oakland and is an alum of St. Isidore. She later went on to graduate from Carondelet and most recently, St. Mary's College of California where she had a star-studded basketball career. She feels very blessed to be working at St. P's especially with everyone being so welcoming. Her favorite thing about St. Perpetua so far is the supportive and faith-based community. This school year, she is looking forward to learning and being a part of all of the school traditions!

Junior High Service Hour Opportunities

We are proud of our Junior High students for their involvement in the community. Don't forget their 10 hours are due November 1st and there are [many opportunities](#) available.

- [Sign Up for Donut Service](#) at mass



- [Sign Up](#) to work at the Walnut Creek Community Day on 10/14
- [Create Birthday Bags](#) for Monument Crisis Center
- [Monument Crisis Volunteer Opportunities](#)
- [Youth Homes Organization](#)

Service Hours Form



Hap-BEE Birthday Club Library Fundraiser

Don't miss the opportunity to have your child participate in this years library birthday club. [Fill out this form](#) by **October 31st!**

Your child can help to select new books for the library by joining the Hap-BEE Birthday Club. It's an easy way to encourage a love of reading at our school. All you need to do is submit the Hap-BEE Birthday Club Form and donate \$20 per student. Form and donation are due in October, for all birthdays and birth months.

In November, all Hap-BEE Birthday Club students get to choose a new book for the library. The library will order and purchase all of the books. A Hap-BEE birthday donor sticker will be affixed inside the front cover of the book, recognizing your child's donation. Your student will be the first person to borrow the new book from the library and will be recognized during library class. Each donation helps our library to purchase new books that our kids want to read. Please consider supporting this library fundraiser.

Join the Birthday Club



St. Perpetua's Spring Musical

It's a "big bright beautiful world" as everyone's favorite ogre, SHREK, leads a cast of fairytale misfits on an adventure to rescue a princess and find true acceptance.

- **Who:** St. Perpetua students grades 1st - 8th
- **Registration opens: Tuesday, November 14th at 9am ~ SPACE IS LIMITED!**
- [Click here](#) for more information, details and registration.
- Email questions to renee@performingacademy.com



Volunteer Opportunities and Links

We need your help at St. Perpetua. Please review the [volunteer participation agreement](#) and sign up now to complete your hours and get to know our wonderful St. Perpetua school community.

Sign Up Now to Volunteer

- [Hot Lunch Volunteers Needed](#)
- [Yard Duty Volunteer](#) - 2 required for each family
- [Crosswalk Volunteer](#) - 1 required for each family
- [Become an 'All Clear' volunteer](#)

Log Volunteer Hours



Parish News

Join us to view ['The Letter' on Saturday, 10/14 at 6:15pm](#) in the Grand Hall. Pizza and liquid refreshments will be served. RSVP requested to Christoph chnauer@stperpetua.org



Community News

[Boy Scout Open House](#) October 16th ~ grades 5-8

Important Links

- [Choice Lunch Service](#)
- [PowerSchool Login](#)
- [Family Directory](#)
- [Scrip Obligation & ordering information](#)
- [2023-2024 Parent & Student Handbook](#)
- [Faculty Directory](#)
- [Attendance Policy](#)
- [Uniform Policy](#)
- [Printable School Calendar](#)



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