



The Latest Word

St. Perpetua School - Weekly Newsletter

March 6, 2024

Weekly Update from Mrs. Gotchet



We are officially in the final trimester of the school year - where has the time gone?!

It is a busy time behind the scenes as we begin to plan for the 2024-2025 school year. I have one very exciting announcement to make regarding our TK program. Due to the amazing TK program Mrs. Semenchuk has built, we have seen an increase in prospective families wanting to send their students to St. Perpetua. Therefore, we will be opening a second TK class that will be taught by Ms. Nicole Damhesel. Ms. Damhesel comes to us with nearly twenty years of experience in the preschool setting. She is an alumni parent and is our current Panther House Director. Having two TK classes allows us to enroll thirty TK students into our St. Perpetua family while allowing Mrs. Semenchuk and Ms. Damhesel to provide small class instruction which is most beneficial to our youngest students. We are so grateful for this opportunity to expand our amazing TK program and look forward to welcoming many new families to our St. P's community.

I understand that many people are curious as to what a new year might bring in terms of personnel and/or programmatic changes. Please be assured that I will be as transparent as possible when I have something concrete to share. Any information that does not come from me should be taken with a grain of salt. I ask that you limit your speculations, remain patient, and trust my process. In the coming weeks, I will share more information regarding any updates or changes for the 2024-2025 school year.

I am looking forward to seeing those parents who have RSVP'd for our Crisis Readiness Parent Education Night tomorrow evening. Thank you for your dedication to your children's safety.

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 ~ unless stated as a 'No Cafe' day ~ (cash or check only). Students may wear St. Perpetua spirit-wear tops and uniform bottoms.
- [Lunch Schedule](#)

Next 10 Days

- Wednesday, March 6 - Family Scrip Report & 2024 Auction invitation coming home in youngest child's backpack
- Thursday, March 7 - Crisis Readiness ~ Parent Information evening / [RSVP](#) required
- Friday, March 8 - Cafe Perpetua open 7:30 - 9:30
- Thursday, March 14 - St. Patrick's Day Free Dress (green colors)
- Friday, March 15 - Cafe Perpetua open 7:30 - 9:30
- Friday, March 15 - Crisis Readiness Drill for our school
- Friday, 3/15 - report cards go home
- Friday, 3/15 - **NOON Dismissal (Panther House is OPEN for after-school care)**
- **Friday, March 15 - Taste of St. Perpetua has been CANCELLED**

Other Important Dates

- Friday, 3/22 - last day for students to submit their Young Author books
- Thursday, 3/28 - Holy Thursday, **NOON Dismissal (NO Panther House after-school care)**
- Friday, 3/29 - **Financial Aid Application deadline (all supporting docs must be submitted)**
- Friday, 3/29 - Friday, 4/5 - **Easter Break**

Monthly School Calendar



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Buy Now!

Auction Tickets Now on Sale!

Check your students backpack for your invitation to this year's annual auction, High School Flashback, on Saturday, April 13th.

Book your babysitter, get out the old letterman's jacket, acid washed jeans, skateboard or whatever was nostalgic while you were in High School because we are hosting the biggest High School Flashback party to hit Hamlin Road.

Saturday, April 13th is going to be an evening you won't want to miss. Visit our [auction site](#) for all the information and to [buy your tickets!](#)



Order April Pizza HERE

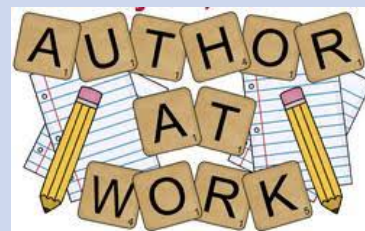
Now is the time to order April Pizza for your students!

Pizza will be served on three Thursdays: 4/11, 4/18, & 4/25.
The link closes on March 27th.

Young Author Student Checklist

All Young Author submissions must be turned in to Mr. Foti by March 22nd. The student checklist is attached below.

[Young Author Student Checklist](#)



Lost & Found Clothing & Lunch Items

We have quite a growing collection of students' unlabeled personal sweatshirts, jackets, lunchboxes, water bottles, and other items on the table outside the front office. **All uncollected items will be taken to a donation center on Friday, 3/8!**

Scrip Report for 2023-2024 Family Profit Obligation

Family Reports will be coming home in the youngest child's backpack on Wednesday, 3/6. Deficit profit obligation and earned tuition credit will both be issued on the April 1st statements.

Financial Assistance for the 2024 - 2025 School Year

Submission Deadline: March 29th

[Details & Deadline Information](#)

Spring Fun At The Lafayette Library ~ See [Flyer](#) for more details

- Take & Make Mondays (ages 6-9)
- Monday & Tuesday Homework Help
- Stepping Into STEM



Panther House After-School Care

Panther House after school care is available. Please take time to review the [program details](#). If you are interest in enrolling your child(ren), please fill out the [enrollment form](#) (required for all students).

Submit forms via email to pantherhouse@stperpetuaschool.org.

[March Calendar](#)

Lafayette Rotary 'Keep On Truckin' Event

Saturday, April 27th, 9am - 2pm ~ See [flyer](#) for more details

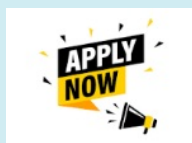
- raffle prizes
- games
- food trucks



Summer 'Bumble Bee' Art Camp - Bay Area Art Explorers

June 17-21 & July 15-19

See [flyer](#) for more details



Application for 2024-2025 School Year

[Application Link](#) for **NEW STUDENTS** interested in the upcoming school year

Contact Gretchen Trapp, our Admissions Director, gtrapp@csdo.org for more information on class availability or to set up a tour.



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](#)

Important Links

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