



# Paw Prints

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*Paw Prints will be e-mailed to you every Thursday. Please open it and read the bold print to determine if you need to continue reading the items that pertain to you. Thanks!*

September 11, 2014

**“Bring your moments to Me, and I will fill them with vibrant Joy.” – Jesus Calling 9/11**

**Update on Mrs. Herbert** – Please continue to pray for Mrs. Herbert, 8<sup>th</sup> grade LA Teacher, who just had a kidney transplant on Tuesday. Her husband was the donor! I spoke with Mrs. Herbert last night and, although she is weak and sore, she is hopeful that the transplant was a success. You can send a note to her via her school e-mail [cherbert@teachers.stpiusx.com](mailto:cherbert@teachers.stpiusx.com).

**Safety E-Mail** – The safety e-mail I sent out yesterday was based on observations and events over the first few weeks of school. It was not meant to be specific to any individuals. A parent did ask me to add that families coming from Turkeyfoot should be using the rectory lot and not waiting to turn left at the school entrance further up Dudley. I also asked the students to please help by making sure they are ready to exit the vehicle in the morning when you stop your car.

**Spotlight on Teachers!** This year we will be randomly selecting a teacher/staff member each week and ask the rest of the staff and students to write positive comments on their “wall” we create in the faculty room and their doorway. This week we spotlight Ms. Amanda Hyams, Music Teacher!

**Storytelling Workshop** at the Erlanger Branch of the Kenton County Public Library this Saturday – What a great opportunity for our students! Click [here](#) for more information.

**SPX Church Fall Renewal Series** begins this Sunday between the 9:30 and 11:30 am masses. Click [here](#) for details!

**PTG needs your help!** Volunteers are needed to provide food for our first Teachers Lunch on Monday, Sept. 15th. The teachers really appreciate this! Sign up through Sign Up Genius online: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA5AF22A6FE3-september/>. Teachers need help on the playground during recess. Please sign up to be a recess monitor through <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA5AF22A6FE3-recess>

**PTG Fundraiser** - Let's sell trash bags and zip-close baggies!! Remember to ask family and friends this weekend if they will support St. Pius X with our new fundraiser. Are you a business owner? Will you consider purchasing a month's worth of trash bags for your business? Trash bags and baggies should arrive 7-10 days after we send the bulk order to the company. The first turn in day is this Tuesday, Sept. 16. Five orders gets your child an out of uniform pass for Friday, Sept. 19. We need parents to help tally orders on Tuesday. If you can help, or if you have any questions about the fundraiser, contact Angie Clifton at [vball2at@yahoo.com](mailto:vball2at@yahoo.com).

**Schoolbelles Sale** going on now! Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**Does your child like to sing?** - St. Pius X Schola Choir is open to all children of the parish in grades three to seven. Please click [here](#) for more information and look for a flyer coming home in the Tuesday folder next week.

**Halloween Writing Contest** sponsored by Kenton County Public Library! This contest is for elementary students starting this week through October 10. Click [here](#) for details.

**Panther Pulse!** Click [here](#) to check out pictures of activities that have been happening at SPX! You can also access the link through our website by clicking on the Panther Pulse heading.

**Yearbooks For Sale** - We only have five soft cover yearbooks at \$20 each and seven hard cover yearbooks at \$25 each available for purchase in the School Office. Last day for the sale of 2013/2014 yearbooks is Friday, September 19. If you are interested in purchasing one, please send cash or your check made out to St. Pius X School before they're all gone! Thanks!

**Homeroom Parents Still Needed for HR 702 and 801!** Parents are essential for a successful school year. The homeroom parent's responsibility is to coordinate with the teacher and other parents in the planning of class parties and any other activity the teacher requests. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Anne Marie Fitz at [fitz3@twc.com](mailto:fitz3@twc.com) or 578-9466.

**Library Volunteer** needed for Monday mornings from 8:45-10:20 am to check in, check out, and shelf books. This could be a weekly or bi-monthly commitment. If you would be interested, please contact Kathy Brunot at [kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com](mailto:kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com).

**Used Shoe and Purse Collection** is going on now! The Sisters of Notre Dame along with the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Commission of Covington is sponsoring this [drive](#) to raise money for a water collection and purification system for the village in Buseesa, Uganda. Please send in used, wearable pairs of shoes and/or purses, duffel bags, swag bags or backpacks – no wheels, please.

**Religion Courses Offered** through the Diocese are open to all parents. Go to [www.covingtondiocese.org](http://www.covingtondiocese.org) for a complete listing and directions on how to register.

**Prayer Group Forming!** Please join school families in the small chapel on the first and third Tuesdays beginning in September and going through May from 10:30 – 11:45 am. Children welcome!

**Chess Club** is now accepting online registrations at <http://bit.ly/spxchess>. Registration fees are \$20 per child; additional students in the same family are \$15 each with a family max of \$50. Our first meeting will be held on Thursday, Sept 18th and continues on the first and third Thursday of each month through March, 2-3pm, in the parish meeting rooms. Chess Club is for students in grades 1-8 that already love chess and those that want to learn how to play. According to USA Chess, Inc., chess teaches patience, decision-making skills and good sportsmanship. For more information or help with the registration process please contact Mark Romer, [romer.mark@gmail.com](mailto:romer.mark@gmail.com) or Gretchen MacKnight, [gmacknight1@aol.com](mailto:gmacknight1@aol.com). Any parent with chess knowledge that s/he would like to share with the children is encouraged to contact Mark or Gretchen.

**NDA 6th Grade Scavenger Hunt** is on Friday, September 19, from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. This is an afternoon full of fun, friends, and food. The event is FREE but a donation of 2 canned goods per participant for Be Concerned will be accepted. Please send in your registration form, found at [www.ndapandas.org](http://www.ndapandas.org), by Wednesday, September 17. If you have any questions, please call 292-1829 or email Katie Caccavari at [caccavarik@ndapandas.org](mailto:caccavarik@ndapandas.org).

**Picture Day** is on Wednesday, Sept. 24. Students may dress out of uniform for their school picture. Please have your child dress appropriately and wear closed toe and closed back shoes. Life Touch is looking for a couple of parent volunteers to help on Picture Day from 7 am until noon. Please call the school office if you are able to help.

**Basketball Signups** for 2014 -2015 are underway! First through eighth grade girls and boys registration are due September 30<sup>th</sup>. They will take place via the website below. All transactions will be done by credit card. If a check is preferred, you can mail it to Mark Zimmerman at 2467 Legends Way, Crestview Hills KY 41017. There will be a \$10 late fee after Sept. 30. Please note we are having 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teams this year that will play in the MQH league. If you already used the website for Volleyball signups, please use the same login. If not, parents will need to create an account. <https://sports.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=597338&isLogin=True&%2fDefault.aspx%3ftabid%3d597328>. For any questions please contact Mike Smith (Girls) [smittymjs@fuse.net](mailto:smittymjs@fuse.net) or Mark Zimmerman (Boys) [mnz@schrudde-zimmerman.com](mailto:mnz@schrudde-zimmerman.com).

**Share the Good News!** Help us celebrate the accomplishments of our current and former St. Pius X Panthers. If you come across any articles highlighting current or past students' accomplishments, please send them to the school office or email them to [kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com](mailto:kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com).

**Easy Ways to Earn Money for SPX** - Remke Reloadable Gift Cards are available at the school or church office. Kroger Community Rewards program is available by registering your Kroger Plus Card and designating SPX at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com).

**Lunch Menu** – Click [here](#) for a copy of the lunch menu.

**Diocesan Facebook Page!** - The Diocese of Covington has a Facebook page that shares the good news of our schools with everyone we can. Check out all the exciting things happening in our schools at <https://www.facebook.com/faithfillededucation?ref=hl>. And don't forget that we should only post good things about our school!

### Looking Ahead

September 16	Board of Total Catholic Education (BOTCE) Meeting 6:30 pm
17	Kenton County Library Visits Kindergarten Skyline Night!
18	Girl Scouts Visit Kindergarten
19	EXPLORE Test – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Scavenger Hunt at NDA 3:30 pm
21	Catechetical Sunday
22	Girl Scout Informational Meeting 7 pm (cafeteria)
24	Picture Day!

*I hope you have a great week! Mrs. Gerwe*