



# Paw Prints

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*Paw Prints is 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!*

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***“Keep your focus on me...In My radiant Light, anxious thoughts shrink and shrivel away.” – Jesus Calling 1/29***

**Spotlight on Teachers** - This week we spotlight Mrs. Long, Kindergarten Teacher! Staff and students are encouraged to write positive comments on her “wall” posted in the faculty room and in the hallway.

**Priority Registration for Next Year** ends tomorrow! Please return the form with \$100 per child. An Auto Debit Form is included for completion at the end of the year after tuition is set. Please keep it in a safe place. We will be accepting registration for new parish families beginning Monday. New students, including kindergarten, need to have a new registration packet completed. Eighth grade parents, please indicate on the form where your child will be going to high school.

**World’s Finest Chocolate Bars** will be sold during lunch **tomorrow** for \$1 each. Proceeds benefit our field trip fund. Flavors are milk chocolate, caramel, crisp, milk chocolate with almond and dark chocolate without almond. Please consider buying more than one for your child to take home. Thanks!

**Catholic Schools Week** is this week. We celebrated with an All School Mass featuring teacher participants Tuesday and will have another All School Mass Friday featuring student participants. Students and teachers enjoyed a sundae on Monday, provided by PTG and served by the Edgewood Police. There was a buddy activity Wednesday and the Faculty vs. Eighth Grade Volleyball Game today. Tomorrow we will have a Minute to Win It Contest! Thanks to the many of you who were able to attend our Open House Wednesday evening. It is always exciting to see all the positive energy in the building! Thanks for supporting the Catholic School system, and especially St. Pius X!!!!

**Support Our Basketball Teams!** The David Moorhead Tournament will kick off in a big way **tomorrow, Jan.30**. The gym will really be rockin’ with a great line-up of games: 5:00 pm- SPX

Boys (Thiel)/St. Henry, 6:00 pm - SPX Girls (Hassan/Feagen)/St. Agnes (Schuh), 7:00 pm-SPX Boys (Kruer)/St. Agnes (Hurst),

8:00 pm - SPX Boys (Isler)/St. Joseph Crescent Springs. There will be a Panther Pit Student Section and with a "Green-Out" Theme so wear green! A prize will be awarded to the SPX 6<sup>th</sup> grade student who creatively exemplifies the most school spirit ! Good luck and GO PANTHERS !

**Concession Workers Needed** for the David Moorhead Tournament in February. Any parent or student interested in helping out please contact Brian McKinley at [brianmckinley56@gmail.com](mailto:brianmckinley56@gmail.com).

**Perfect North Trip with Youth Group** - In place of our regularly scheduled meeting on Sunday, Feb. 1, we have been invited to join St. Barbara's group again to go tubing. We will go to 11:30am Mass at SPX and hope to get to Perfect North by 1:30 pm. Two hour passes are \$20. We should be back at SPX by 4:00pm (plenty of time for people to make their Super Bowl events). You can RSVP by clicking below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LZLd9IDzWILeBqrgEm7DpL6pBeJRO0GbbxvuE6OMZfM/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LZLd9IDzWILeBqrgEm7DpL6pBeJRO0GbbxvuE6OMZfM/viewform?usp=send_form)

**More Scholarship Congratulations** go to Bryce Martin and Sarah Barth whose High School Placement Test Scores earned them one quarter tuition for four years at Holy Cross High School!

**Birthday Club!** The third meeting of the Library Birthday Club will be on Wednesday, Feb.4, from 2-3 pm in the Library. Students who have celebrated or will celebrate their birthdays during the months of February, June or July received an invitation to make a book selection for the school and have some refreshments. Students who missed earlier Birthday Club meetings are welcome to join us.

**Everybody Counts** will be held on Thursday and Friday, February 19 and 20. Parents may now sign up to volunteer at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0849a8a92daafa7-everybody1>. Please email Michelle Litmer at [michellelitmer@twc.com](mailto:michellelitmer@twc.com) with any questions. Thank you!

**Boy's Volleyball Sign Ups** are underway for grades 3 - 8. Please register before Friday, Feb. 6, at <http://www.stpiusxathletics.com>. The cost to register is \$47.00 per child and includes a t-shirt. Please see the flyer regarding registration information. If you are interested in coaching, being Assistant Director, have any questions or need further information, please e-mail Michelle Frisch at [mfrischfamily5@gmail.com](mailto:mfrischfamily5@gmail.com) or call 409-0719 or click [here](#) for a flyer.

**Softball Sign Ups** for girls ages 6-12 are now available on the Athletic Association website. Please go to [stpiusxathletics.com](http://stpiusxathletics.com) to register for the 2015 softball season. There will also be in person sign ups in the PMR on 2/15 from 12:30-2. Please contact Mike Bosch @ [mjbosch1@yahoo.com](mailto:mjbosch1@yahoo.com) or (859) 512-0966 if you have any question.

**Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast** will be held Sunday, Feb. 15, in Milligan Hall. Click [here](#) for a flyer with more information.

**Pre-Lenten Fish Fry!** The SPX Summer Festival Committee invites you to our first of the season fish fry **Friday, Feb. 13**, from 5:30 - 9:00 pm in the cafeteria. Meals will be available for dine-in or carry-out. Purchase your Grand Raffle Festival tickets at the Fish Fry and be entered to win a special early bird prize to be awarded that night. We are asking parents to **send in baked goods** to sell at the Fish Fry. Proceeds from the Bake Sale will go directly to the school.

**Winter Family Values Newsletter** from Catholic Charities is available [here](#). Read about Respectful Communications and opportunities available through this Diocesan organization.

**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.

**NDA JV Softball** - Any 7th & 8th grade girl interested in playing JV softball for Notre Dame this spring is invited to our "Open Gym" times between now and tryouts on Feb. 15th. Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**Play to Change a Life Basketball Classic** will be held at Thomas More College **Sunday, Feb. 8** beginning at 3 pm. Come watch your favorite high school girl's basketball teams play to benefit Catholic Charities and the inner-city Diocesan schools. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Workshop for Parents** - Do you have a child that seems scattered? Does he or she have difficulty starting on tasks or get distracted easily? Is he or she disorganized or forgetful? One who makes a lot of careless mistakes. Cincinnati Children's Hospital and Springer are bringing Peg Dawson, Ed.D. to the Sharonville Convention Center to speak Wednesday, March 18 from 7 - 9 pm. Her topic is "Calming the Chaos: Essential Skills that Help Smart but Scattered Students Reach their Full Potential." on the executive skills students need to develop in order to reach their full potential. The cost is only \$25. Use the following links to register: [Online Credit Card Registration](#) or [Mail-in Registration](#) .

**Dream Out Loud Challenge** for grades K - 6 begins January 19 and runs through March 20. It is a state-wide contest where students can submit an original drawing, poem, essay or video answering the question "How will I change the world after I go to college?" There is a chance to win scholarship money! Go to [KYSaves.com/DreamOutLoud](http://KYSaves.com/DreamOutLoud) for more information.

**Save The Date!** - Friday, April 17 from 8 - 10 am is SPX Grandparents and Grandfriends Day 2015. Please communicate the date and help us celebrate these very special relationships across generations! More details to follow. Any questions, contact Beth Hagen at [Hagendbosco@yahoo.com](mailto:Hagendbosco@yahoo.com)

**Morning Traffic Help** - I am looking for an interested parent or parents to help direct traffic at the corner of the rectory in the mornings from 7 am to 7:15 pm. Please e-mail me at [jgerwe@teachers.stpiusx.com](mailto:jgerwe@teachers.stpiusx.com) if you would like to help out.

**Get School Closing Information on your Phone!** We use our SchoolWay app as one way to notify you of weather related announcements. If you have not had a chance to download the free app from the app store, do it today! See <http://myschoolway.com/StPius> for more information.

**Paper Retriever Recycling Bin** has been removed from our property because the company has gone out of business. Please recycle your paper products through your home recycling program. We are working on how to continue recycling of paper at school. Please let us know if you have any ideas.

**Cafeteria Workers Needed** from 10 am - 1 pm every day! Please call Sharon Depenbrock at 341-4900 x104 or e-mail [sdepenbrock@teachers.stpiusx.com](mailto:sdepenbrock@teachers.stpiusx.com) if you can help out.

**Playground Duty Openings!** Teachers need help on the playground during recess. Please sign up to be a recess monitor at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA5AF22A6FE3-recess>

**Cafeteria Charges** - Please check your child's account and take care of any debts. There is a Diocesan policy on charging found on our website.

**New Hope Center Father-Daughter Dance** will be held Friday, Feb. 27, for fathers and their daughters in 6<sup>th</sup> through twelfth grade, and for fathers and their daughters in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade on Saturday, Feb. 28. Click [here](#) for a flyer.

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

**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.

**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.

**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).

**St. Pius X Kroger Community Rewards Update** - If you are not signed up already, you can sign up at any time at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and click on "View your Rewards Details." Under Community Rewards Section, click on "Enroll", enter St. Pius X Organization #80036, click search, select SPX and save changes. Once you are signed up, check the bottom of your receipt to make sure it says "2014-2015 Kroger Community Rewards: You requested Kroger to donate to St. Pius X". Click [here](#) for more information. Any questions, please contact Stefanie Reid at 578-9939 or [stefa5678@gmail.com](mailto:stefa5678@gmail.com) with any questions. Thanks so much!!

**Kindergarten Cut Off Age Remains October 1st-** The Kentucky Department of Education has plans to change the cut off age for entrance to Kindergarten to children turning 5 on or before August 1st. This was supposed to be effective next school year 2015-2016 but they have delayed the change. Their current plans are for this to be effective beginning the 2017-2018 school year. St. Pius X School kindergarten cut off age remains October 1st.

**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).

**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!

**World Youth Day 2016** – Registration is now open for the Diocese of Covington's pilgrimage to Krakow, Poland, July 24 through August 2, 2016! Itinerary, cost, and registration details are included in the [attached](#) pamphlet.

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

### Looking Ahead

January	30	World's Finest Chocolate Bars sold at lunch for \$1 each
	31	Regional Governor's Cup for JV and Varsity - St. Agnes
February	2	Parent Story Tellers
	4	Spirit Wear Wednesday Parent Story Tellers
	5	ACRE Test (gr 5 and 8) Cov. Latin visits 6th grade 7:40 am Parent Story Tellers

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