

PRINCIPAL'S PAGE

January 26, 2017

SSPP SCHOOL

Please join us tonight for our **HSA Parent Meeting and Open House** from 6:30-8:00 pm. We will begin with a brief meeting in which an HSA Committee member will update you on our fundraising achievements so far, how we compare to last year, recap 2016 events and provide information on the events and happenings for the 2nd half of this school year. We will also have updates from Mrs. Anain and me regarding school programs, STREAM initiatives and our Catholic Schools Week plans, will have STREAM Academy and other displays in the gym, and will open the school to you in order to view our student artwork, projects and bulletin board displays.

Your children are welcome to attend -I'm sure they'll want to be your guides through the building!

This Sun., Jan. 29th, our school will be hosting an **Open House** for prospective students from 1:00-3:00, following the Catholic Schools Week Mass. We are hoping you can help promote our school by sharing your experiences at SSPP with others and inviting them to attend.

Please join us for our **11:30 am Mass** and reception to follow.

Our **Sweepstakes fundraiser** is underway. Ten tickets that your family is responsible for purchasing or selling (Grades K-8) were sent home to you in your Family Folder a few weeks ago. Pre K families are asked to sell 5 tickets if possible. This fundraiser, in conjunction with our 5K Race, are the major means of earning money for our school. The \$10,000 in prize money will be awarded at the Charge of the Knights 5K race on May 20th. Tickets are due back to the school office by May 5th. The amount of any unsold tickets/family will be added to your tuition account after this date. (Please see page 47 of the Parent/Student Handbook). In addition, if your family sells more than the required 10 tickets, each additional ticket will earn a chance in a drawing to win a \$3,800 tuition credit for the 2017-18 school year, so it behooves you to sell more than 10!

Re-registration is in process. Forms need to be completed and returned along with your \$100 re-registration deposit by **Fri., February 3rd**.

Once again, the 1st class to return 100% of their re-registration forms will earn a free jeans day! Even if you do not plan on returning to SSPP next year, we will need your form returned stating this.

PLEASE help us by returning your forms by this date!

As a reminder, **transportation requests for bussing** must be made to the district in which you reside by April 1st in order to be assured that your service will not be interrupted for the 2017-18 school year.

The **BISON Fund is accepting Pre-Applications** for funding for the 2017-18 school year for families **new** to BISON until Feb. 28, 2017. The highest scholarship amount has been raised to \$1,900/child. Apply online at <http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships>. Applications will be entered into a lottery drawing in early March. Funding is based on household income.

Current BISON families will be emailed a link for requalification on Feb. 13th.

Our ever-popular **Theme Tray Auction** will be held on Fri., Feb. 10th. This family-friendly affair has always been well attended and a great deal of fun! **Each family is asked to donate a theme basket to be raffled off during the event.** Please see the enclosed flier for more information about this event and about the basket donations. So far, I only have 3 baskets in my office!

Catholic Schools Week begins Sunday, and we have a lot of great events planned for our students next week to help promote our "Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service" (the Catholic Schools Week theme). Please see the enclosed schedule for our events and special daily outfits.

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Ss. Peter and Paul School, Williamsville



Several parents from our school are sponsoring a team (SSPP Knights) for the **2017 Ride for Roswell**. They have created this team for students and parents to join and help fundraise for the Roswell Park Cancer Institute. This community bike ride will take place on Saturday, June 24th, 2017.

Participation in this event will encourage our students to fundraise for a worthy cause and motivate our families and classmates to get out and train for the ride.

The students will be required to have an adult family member to ride with them and there are many route choices from **three miles to a 100 miles courses** to fit everyone's fitness level.

Those who register online at (www.rideforroswell.org/) by February 1st can use **promo code: JANUARY2017** to receive \$10 off the \$20 registration.

To register to ride with the SSPP Knights follow these steps: (You will have to register each family member individually.)

Log on to: <https://rideforroswell.org/>

-click "Register to Ride"

-click "Join a Team"

- Search for "**SSPP Knights**"

-After SSPP Knights pops up select "Join Team"

You can now pick your route. Several families have committed to riding the 9:30 am "20-mile Late River route" or the 11:00 Am "10-mile late river route". These rides start and end at the UB north Campus

Whichever route you choose to participate in, be it the 3-mile family ride or any other route we all work together for our goal. You can also change your route before the event as long as it has not filled up.

One last note, When you register children under the age of 15 the website will include a \$200 fundraising goal. This is only a goal and the fundraising requirement for students under age 15 is only \$50.


As we start summer vacation this June, our team ride will be a great opportunity for the students and families to get together one last time and show our school spirit and commitment to our faith community.

Our team will send out updates and have a fundraising website on the Ride for Roswell website.

If you have any questions please email John Brodnick at Johnbrodnick@gmail.com

Progress Reports have been posted to the Parent Portal for students in grades 3-8. Not all students have had reports generated. If there are any academic concerns, they will be communicated to you through these reports.

Please help our 8th graders fund their trip to Washington, DC. This Sun., Jan. 29th from 8:00-10:00 am, they will be hosting an **Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser** at the Transit Road location. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Tickets will be available for purchase this evening at our Parent Meeting.



**Enjoy a short stack
for a tall cause.**

You're invited to an
Applebee's® Flapjack Fundraiser breakfast to support
Sts Peter & Paul 8th Grade
Tickets are \$5.00
10% of the proceeds will be donated to the foundation.
When: Jan. 29th 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Where: Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar
5017 Transit Road, Williamsville NY 14221

Think Spring and order some beautiful flowers from the **31st Annual Spring Bouquet Sale** sponsored by Hospice Buffalo. Order forms are enclosed in your Family Folder. The deadline to order is Mon., Feb. 13th and flowers will be delivered to the school on Mon., March 6th.

The **Niagara Chocolate** Sale is beginning today. You will find details and an order form in the Family Folder.

I apologize for an error I made in my Geography Bee congratulations last week. I gave best wishes to the wrong Joseph! **Joseph Elkhoury** was the 4th grade representative in the Bee rather than Josef Ntanios, who is still a bit too young for Geography Bees! Mea culpa!

Hope to see you tonight and/or Sunday!

*Sincerely,
Mrs. Lester*