



September 7, 2016

Dear Families,

Our **Sunday brunch**- despite some unavoidable glitches- was a huge success. We cooked and served over *400 breakfasts!* Thank you to the families- parents and students- who pitched in when our normal brunch routine required a Plan B. Awesome job everyone!

The **first school Mass**, with our Gr. 8 leaders, was a beautiful way to begin our year. During Mass, Fr. George spoke of St. Teresa of Calcutta, and her enormous efforts to help the poor, the needy, and the sick. St. Teresa serves as our inspiration as we begin our school year. We are focusing on the virtue of kindness, and demonstrating kindness through action.

This week we will decorate the "**Buddy Bench**", a gift from the Class of 2016, for the play area outside. The bench is a symbol that we care for each member of the school community. If a child is not feeling included at recess, (s)he can take a seat on the bench. The students are challenged to act, by including anyone who might take a seat on the bench.

A big day in Middle School arrives Friday- it's **Sorting Day** for the houses. Fifth graders will be assigned to either St. Veronica House, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton House, St. Anthony House, or St. Teresa House. This house will be their middle school "home" for the next four years. The excitement in the class is already palpable, as students anticipate the big day!

Next Wed., Sept 14th, is an important date for all parents. Our **Lower and Middle School Curriculum Night** will be held. Teachers will share their goals and expectations for the year, and you will hear what 2016-2017 holds for your children! Join us at 6:00pm in the cafeteria to begin the evening.

Calling our Grade 7 and Grade 8 students!! If you would like to earn service hours, and help a great cause- volunteer some time at the **Mighty Meehan 5K** this Sunday, Sept.

11th. Arrive at 9:00 at West Dennis Beach, check in with Mrs. Willis, and spend some time helping with this very special event.

Creative and full of school spirit? Want to help with a school float for the **Seaside Festival Parade** on October 9th? Looking for a few talented individuals for this undertaking. Have some fun, promote the school, and ride in the parade with your children!

We are looking for some help to fill- in at **After-Care**. Interested? Email me at [adailey@spxschool.org](mailto:adailey@spxschool.org).

God bless each of you,

Anne Dailey  
Principal



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**REMINDER - CALENDAR DATES**

Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

Lower and Middle School Parents' Night  
6:00pm St. Pius X School Cafeteria followed by classroom visits

**MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS**

Study Hall – Daily (Monday – Thursday) from 2:30 – 3:30pm

Students in Grades 5 -8 may participate daily in supervised study hall beginning Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of the study hall is for our students to have quiet time to study, to complete homework assignments, or school projects.

At 3:30 the students will either be dismissed out back for pick up or to the Extended Day Program.

**REMINDER**

Please return all “Back to School” paperwork by Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. This includes the Emergency Card, Blackboard Connect Form, Directory Form, Car Pool Authorization, Extended Day Enrollment Form, etc. If you have any questions, please call the school office.

# Family Movie Night

under the stars at St. Pius X School

Friday, September 9th  
6:30—8:30pm

\$20.00 per family

Proceeds benefit the Grade 8 Class Trip



**Cloudy with a Chance  
of Meatballs**

**Snacks &  
Face Painting**



# Welcome to SPXS Drama 2016-17

Dear Parents,

I have the absolute pleasure of taking over the Lower School Drama Program (grades 2—4) for the 2016/2017 school year. I realize that I have BIG shoes to fill as Mr. Gamache was an integral part of our community. I am looking forward to the challenge and joy of leading your children to a theatrical success.

The musical that we will be performing is *The Lion King, Jr.!* This particular version features a rigorous curriculum designed to introduce the students to a wide range of theatrical skills and is dubbed *The Experience*. Drama will be held on Mondays from 2:30—3:30pm beginning September 19th.

I would like to begin by hosting an informational meeting FOR PARENTS ONLY on Tuesday, September 13 after school in the school Library at 2:30. During this meeting I will answer any questions you may have, request volunteers (kid wranglers, sets, makeup, costumes, etc.) If you are interested in being a part of your child's Lower School Drama experience, please join me next Tuesday!

Cheers,  
Jennifer Perrault





# **Save the Date**

## **Back to School Dance**

**Friday, September 30, 2016**

**6:00 – 8:00**

**at St. Pius X School**

**Grades 5 - 8**



# SPXS GRANDPARENT'S DAY

Friday, September 30th  
9:00-11:00 AM

*A beloved SPXS Tradition for all ages! Students can invite ONE (1) grandparent/grandfriend to spend the morning with them at the school. They will play games, do crafts, have a snack, and enjoy some quality time with one another!*

*Due to the overwhelming popularity of this event, we are limiting the number of guests this year. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we try to make this a safe and fun-filled day for all!*

Please R.S.V.P. by September 19th

Please send the bottom of this form back to school.

If you have questions, please call Lori Boghdan @ (508) 509-2869.

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## Grandparent's Day RSVP

Student(s) Name and Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Grandparent(s) Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

*One guest per student, please. If you have questions or concerns, please call the school office.*

# SPXS

## GRANDPARENT'S DAY

### HELP WANTED

We are looking for volunteers and donations to help us warmly welcome Grandparents and Grandfriends to SPXS! How can you help out?

- 1.) Donate an item for our refreshment table or raffle baskets. We will serve delicious breakfast foods, hot coffee, and juice to our guests. We would also like to have entertaining (and valuable) raffle prizes. Take a look at our list of requests and sign-up through our link!  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c44aeae29a6fb6-grandparents>
- 2.) Volunteer your time on Grandparent's Day - Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> (from 8-11 AM). If you can help, please e-mail Lori Boghdan (l.boghdan@comcast.net).





# SPIRIT ROCK

RENT YOUR DAY

**Help the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade raise money for their class trip.**

Do you want to say “Happy Birthday” in a unique way?

Reservations may be made to paint **the front of the rock** for \$15.00 per day. You may also reserve and pay for multiple days in succession. Step by step instructions on reserving the rock are provided on the Sign Up Genius web page.

**Please remember that you may only paint the front of the rock.**

Just click on the link below and reserve your day!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d45a4af2caafc1-spirit>



*Join us for the first Friends of SPXS Meeting for this school year!*

**Friday, September 16th at 8:00 AM (SPXS school cafeteria)**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

- ❖ Friends-sponsored school additions/improvements
- ❖ Committee Volunteer Sign-ups
- ❖ Room Parents Assignments
- ❖ Parent Social (TBD)
- ❖ Grandparent's Day (9/30)
- ❖ Enrichment Committee Update
- ❖ Questions? Comments? Suggestions?



# *SPXS PARENT SOCIAL*

*Thursday, October 6th*

*6-9 PM*

*Hyannis Yacht Club*

*(Lower Level Clubhouse)*

*490 Ocean Street in Hyannis*

Join us for a casual evening to kick-off the school year! We will have a light dinner buffet and homemade specialty desserts. The price is \$20 per person. A cash bar will be available for beverages. Come see old friends and make new ones as you watch the ferries pass by and see the sunset.

This adults-only event is sponsored by the Friends of SPXS. If you have questions, please call Lori Boghdan at (508) 509-2869.

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## **Parent Social RSVP**

**Please return this form to school by Monday, October 3rd.**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed (\$20 per person): \_\_\_\_\_