



From the Principal

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Calendar Highlights

- 10/7** Living Rosary, 1:30 PM
(Church Cloister)
- 10/7-10/9**
PECSAA Volleyball
Tournament @ OLM
- 10/10-10/11**
Otis Lennon Testing,
Gr. 5 & 7
- 10/11 Mass, 8:30AM
- 10/12 **Fall Pictures**
(regular school uniform)
Bake Sale, Gr. 6
- 10/14 **CROP WALK**, 10-11AM

**Saint Pius the Tenth
FALL FESTIVAL
Saturday, September 8
12:00 (Noon) - 8:00 PM**

FUN FOR ALL!!!

**Saint Pius X School
Mission Statement**

Our mission, as a Catholic faith oriented school, is "to make one's faith become living, conscious, and active through the light of instruction." Our program strives to develop in each student a positive self-image with all the skills needed to assume Christian responsibility and become a contributor to our changing society. We recognize the importance of a strong partnership within our school community.

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October 6, 2011

Dear St. Pius X Family and Friends,

We have a lot going on this weekend, starting tomorrow afternoon. At 1:30 pm tomorrow, our school community will gather together to participate in a Living Rosary. Soup cans that have been collected for our Hearty Soup Drive will represent each decade of the Rosary. The cans will then be donated to a local food bank. I appreciate the SPX Spirituality Committee for organizing this annual prayer service. Family and friends are invited to attend.

Starting Friday evening, our volleyball teams will be competing in the PECSAA Volleyball Tournament. The tournament will be held at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School in Winston Salem. I am so proud of our Varsity and JV coed teams for demonstrating great sportsmanship throughout this season. Go Comets!

The St. Pius X Parish Fall Festival is this Saturday from 12:00 to 8:00 pm. I appreciate Angie Wells' leadership and the many volunteers who have worked diligently for months in order for the day to be eventful and fun. Food, games, bounce blow-ups, bingo, pony rides, face painting, entertainment, and the popular climbing wall are just some of the things that your family will experience at this year's Fall Festival. I look forward to seeing you all there.

In Christ's love,

Anne W. Knapke

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HOT LUNCH INFORMATION

Order Period:

10/24/11 – 11/04/11

Start Online Order: 10/10/11

Cutoff Date: 10/19/11

ATTENTION

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS!

Our first dance of the school year is just around the corner!

When: Friday, October 21

Where: The Alumni Auditorium

Time: 7 - 9:30 PM

Cost: \$5.00

DOOR PRIZES!!!

ST. PIUS X SCHOOL ANNUAL CROP WALK – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14 (10:00AM)

Last week each family at Saint Pius received a CROPWALK ENVELOPE. Please sign the consent so that your child can recruit sponsors. Directions on how to fill out the form are on the envelope. Please make all checks out to CROP WALK OF CWS/CROP and return the envelope to Mrs. DiCarlo or Mrs. Graves by Friday, October 28th.

Additionally, we are asking that each student bring in a canned food item during the week of Oct. 10th -14th. Donations will be given to the Urban Ministry.

Thank you!

Mrs. DiCarlo & Mrs. Graves

FALL STUDENT PICTURES: Student picture day is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12. All students will be photographed for the yearbook. Included in today's Thursday folder is a picture order form. If you would like to order a picture package, please complete the enclosed form and return to school, with payment included, by Wednesday, October 12 (picture day). **Students will be photographed in regular school uniform.** Picture retake day will be Wednesday, November 16.

SUNSHINE UNIFORM DONATIONS:

Sunshine uniforms are still being accepted in the school office for the First Lutheran Church Souls4Souls Program. The collected clothing will be sent to needy families around the world. Thank you to the SPX families who already donated Sunshine uniforms. Donations will be accepted through October 20th.

REMEMBER TO RE-LINK! AND MERIT OPPORTUNITY:

SPX Comets, remember to re-link and help our school earn money. Ask your Harris Teeter cashier to link your family's VIC card to school #1852. We earn money on store brand purchases, including, HT Traders, Hunter Farms, HT Farmers Market, HT Naturals, YourHome, and YourBaby.

We have opportunities for Middle School students to **earn a merit** by helping to link Harris Teeter customers on Oct 22nd at North Elm Village. If your middle school student is interested in volunteering, please contact Natalie Angeron at nangeron@gmail.com or 324-2746 for more information.

LIVING ROSARY AND HEARTY SOUP DRIVE! SEND IN THE SOUP!!

We will gather together on Oct. 7th at 1:30pm in the Church cloister for the Annual Living Rosary. Please join your children as they pray the rosary together.

Again this year, we will collect hearty soup beginning Monday, Sept. 26 until Friday, Oct. 7. On Oct. 7 the soup will then be gathered up and placed in the center of the rosary and will be donated to Urban Ministries. Last year we donated over 300 lbs. of soup for the hungry in our area. Let's do it again! So start buying your soup and start bringing it in on Monday Sept. 26th. Thank you!

SPX CHURCH CHILDREN'S CHOIR:

The St. Pius X Church children's choir has started again for the school year. Children ages Kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 6:00-6:45 p.m. in the choir rehearsal room at the church. No sign-up is necessary. If you have any questions, please call Sallie Kelton at the parish office, 272-4681



THANKS FOR SUPPORTING SPX PTO!

Orders will be delivered on Thursday October 20. Total sales are still being counted, but we are very close to our goal of raising \$17,000 for the SPX PTO. You can still order online at innisbrook.com and put in our school code of 103130. Thank you again for all of your support!

COMET FANS, THE TIME IS HERE.....PECSAA VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT!

Come support the Comets this weekend as they compete for the PECSAA Championship. The Varsity team is the #1 seed heading into the tournament and the JV is #3. The tournament will be held at Our Lady of Mercy in Winston Salem. Good Luck to both teams!!! We know you will be great and give your best!

All are welcome to the Pep Rally on Thursday at 1:30pm. Let's get our teams FIRED UP!

NEW THIS YEAR! A Winter Sport Intent Form was included in the

Thursday folder this week and last. If your child intends to try out for a winter sport, this form must be completed and returned to the school office no later than 3:00PM on October 10. Students who have not submitted this form by the deadline WILL NOT be eligible to try out for a winter sport.

TIME FOR TRYOUTS! Basketball and Cheerleading tryouts begin next week! Please see schedule below and make sure you have a current (within a year) physical on file or your child will be unable to tryout. Physical forms can be found under the Forms section of the SPX website: www.spxschool.com.

WINTER SPORT TRYOUT SCHEDULE

JV Girls' Basketball

Thurs., 10/13 3:15-5:00

Mon., 10/17 3:15-5:30

JV Boys' Basketball

Wed., 10/12 5:30-7:30

Mon., 10/17 5:30-7:30

JV Cheer

Wed., 10/12 3:15-5:30

Varsity Girls' Basketball

Tues., 10/11 3:30-5:30

Fri., 10/14 3:30-5:30

Varsity Boys' Basketball

Tues., 10/11 7:00-9:00

Thurs., 10/13 7:00-9:00

Varsity Cheer

Thurs., 10/13 5:00-7:00



SPX BOOSTER CLUB NEWS! Just a reminder that the Booster Club will be selling hamburgers,

hotdogs, nachos and spirit wear at Fall Festival. We will be accepting **cash or checks only**. This year we are raising money to purchase bleachers for the soccer field (which have already been installed), new uniforms for the Girls' Soccer and Co-ed Softball teams. Please come out and support SPX Athletics!!!

We would also like to wish GOOD LUCK to the JV and Varsity Volleyball teams at the PECSAA Tournament!!! GO COMETS!!!!

LEGO CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP! A new Lego Club for SPX students in grades K-5 will begin on Wednesday, October 12th. **To get the Lego Club started, donations of new or used Lego's will be gratefully accepted in the school office.**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: The weekly deadline to submit articles for the Thursday Newsletter is Monday at 3:00PM. Any articles submitted after that time will be included in the next week's newsletter. Please email your information to Jean Navarro at jnavarro@spxschool.com.

ATTRACTION BOOKS FOR SALE! When you buy an attraction book from St. Pius X Catholic School, you can save your family money on dining, shopping, and events all over the Triad. You also contribute important funds for the St. Pius X Catholic School music program. The funds raised help buy new classroom instruments, books, and other resources that benefit every student. Attraction Books cost only \$25 and are available in the main office. Thank you in advance for your purchase and for your commitment to the arts at St. Pius X Catholic School.

NURSERY CO-OP FOR SCHOOL MASS: Would you like to attend mass with your SPX student each Tuesday without the distraction of your younger child? Join the SPX Nursery Co-op. We offer safe supervision during school masses for little siblings of our SPX students in the church nursery. Call or e-mail Lisa Michaels 638-4528 or lmichaels@triad.rr.com if you are interested in using or helping with this ministry. All volunteers need to have taken the Protecting God's Children class and completed a Background Check Form. Even if your youngest child is not so young, this is a great way to get a baby fix and give some parents in our community a peaceful and prayerful hour. Please consider volunteering.

UPCOMING VETERAN'S DAY EVENT



On Thursday Nov. 10th at 8:30 am, our school will gather together for a Veteran's Day Tribute Ceremony. If you have a Veteran in your family or know a Veteran in the community who you would like to invite, please fill out the form below and return it to school in an envelope marked **Attn. Mrs. Malphurs/Veteran's Day**, by Thursday, October 20th. We will send them an invitation on your behalf. If you know they will not be able to attend but would like them remembered at the ceremony you can send a copy of a photo in with the form below without the address information. More information to come about this exciting event! Thanks for your assistance.

Name of Veteran: _____

Branch of Service (optional): _____

Address of Veteran: _____

Name of Student/Family Inviting: _____