



# Shamrock News

9/20/19

**Medication:** If your student takes or carries medicine to school, please make sure the proper paperwork is on file. All medical paperwork needs to be updated annually.

**MAPS Testing:** Fall MAPS testing is taking place over the next couple of weeks. Please make sure students eat a good breakfast and get a good night's sleep.

**NHS Blood Drive:** The American Red Cross has announced an urgent blood shortage for our area. If it continues patient care will be deferred! All eligible blood donors are urged to donate at the National Honor Society sponsored drive at the Parish Hall on Tuesday the 24th from 10:30 AM to 5:00 PM. Please see an NHS member or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome!

**Homecoming Shirts:** Homecoming shirts are available to order at Fabricated Customs through the online apparel store. If you would like one for homecoming week please order by midnight on Sept. 20th. See below for the website.

**Online Apparel Store:** Looking for some St. Patrick apparel? Fabricated Customs in downtown Portland has setup an online store to order your spirit wear. Currently there is Football, Cross Country, Volleyball, Homecoming and St. Pat's School approved jacket apparel available. The store will stay online year round and orders can be picked up at the store or be shipped directly to your home for a shipping fee. Click on this link <https://fabricatedcustoms.com/collections/st-patrick> to place an order.

**Thinking Maps:** This week's Thinking Map that was introduced to all students is the Tree Map.

**Halloween parties:** Halloween parties will take place in the afternoon on Oct 31, see classroom newsletters for details.

**Pictures:** Pictures for grades PS-8 were sent home today. Picture retake day is Tuesday, October 22.

**What is happening in elementary computer class?:**

Mr. Powers, the elementary computer teacher is keeping the students busy. Here is what they are learning in computer class: K-5: [digital citizenship](#) (the website is a great resource for parents too)

Grades 3-5: Google Form quiz on Digital Citizenship

Grades 2-5: typing club and coding

Grades K-1: coding, exploration and teaching [their monster how to read.](#)

**PTO Kidsfest:** The PTO is looking for volunteers to help out at Kidsfest during Fall Fest on Sunday, October 13. Please visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4FAAA92DA57-kidsfest> to sign up to work.

**Box Tops Change:** Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but they may continue to be found on some products throughout the stores. You can still clip them and send them to school—just make sure they are not expired! The new way to earn money for St. Pat's will be digitally via receipt scan. All you have to do is download the Box Tops app, register and select St. Patrick School, and then scan an eligible receipt containing Box Tops products. The app will automatically add Box Tops to St. Patrick School's earnings online. Please check out the website for more information <https://www.boxtops4education.com>. Thank you for your support.



## PTO Homecoming Tailgate

Saturday, October 5

5:30 pm in the PHS parking lot • Kickoff is 7pm

Bring a potluck dish to pass.

- PTO will provide hot dogs, buns, water, etc.
- Advancement & Development Committee will host a pork roast.

All are welcome to attend.



## Calendar of Events

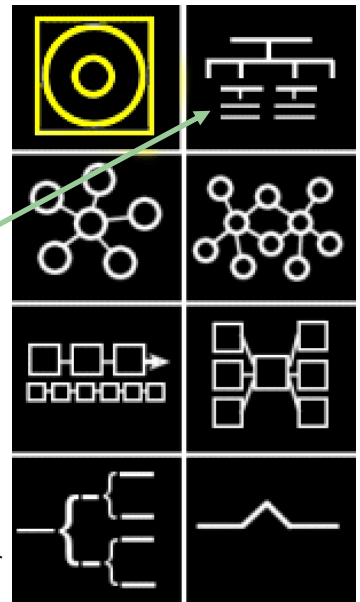


9/20	Var. Football @ Webberville 7p	9/26	Rosary/Scripture Service for grades 1-8 9:30a
9/21	Fr. Volleyball @ Perry Inv. 9a	7/8 Grade Volleyball @ Laingsburg 5p	
	5/6 Grade Volleyball @ St. Mary Westphalia 12p	9/27	Jean and spirit wear day
9/23	7/8 Grade Volleyball @ P-W 5p		Open campus lunch for seniors
9/24	NHS Blood Drive in Parish Hall 10:30-5p	Var. Football vs. Vestaburg @ PHS 7p	
	Fr., JV Volleyball vs. P-W @ PMS dual court 6:30p	9/28	JV Volleyball @ Ionia Invitational 9a
	Var. Volleyball vs. P-W after FR./JV @ PMS single net	Var. Cross Country @ CC-C Invitational 9a	
9/25	Liturgy of the Hours for grades 9-12 9:30a	5/6 Grade Volleyball vs. St. Mary & St. Joseph 10a	
	MS & Var. Cross Country @ P-W Invitational 4:30p	Homecoming High School Dance in Parish Hall 7:30-11p	



# THINKING MAPS

## HOME & School

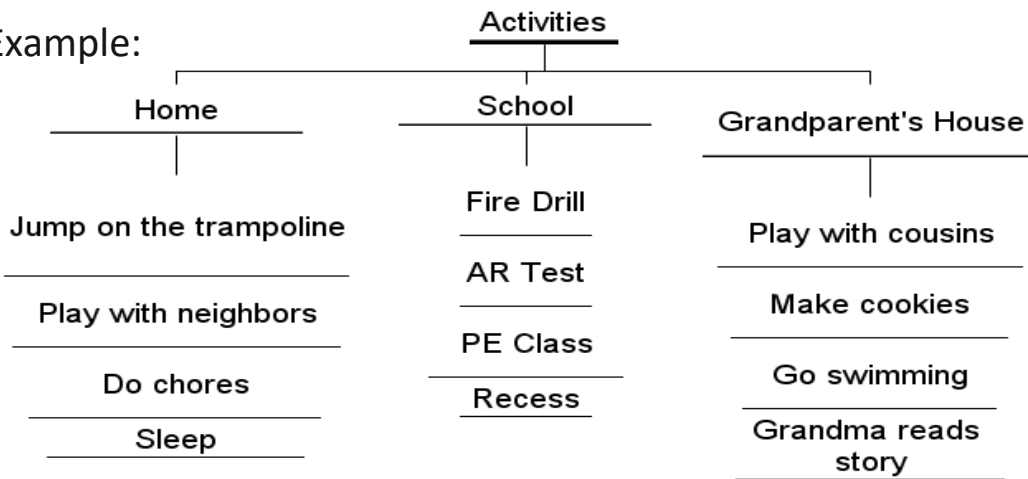


### Tree Map

### Classifying/Sorting

We use a tree map to classify or sort things and ideas into categories or groups. Often the tree map is used for main idea and details or showing examples of something within a category.

Example:



Other ideas for **Tree Map**:

- Classify animals
- Words with that begin with \_\_, \_\_, \_\_.
- Things I like/don't like
- Sort items by color
- Needs/wants

With your family, create a tree map. You may select any topic for the topic of your tree map.



Fall Festival 2019 is almost here—it will be held on October 13, 2019!

**BREAD & DESSERTS NEEDED** We'll need enough breads and desserts to feed 1000 people, so it's important that everyone helps out in this area. Please drop them off at the cafeteria on Saturday, Oct. 12 between 8 am and 5:30 pm. (Please note that there will be a table at the top of the steps, in the entrance near the church, where you can leave your baked goods.)

**HOMEMADE COOKIES** The ever-popular Cookie Booth will be held in the office hallway. All Shamrock Athletes in grades 5-12 are expected to donate homemade cookies. Grandparents and others can also bring cookies for this booth. Cookies can be dropped off at the gym or the cafeteria early on Saturday between 8:00 am and 5:30 pm. Cookies can also be left on the table at the top of the stairs.

**DINNER TICKETS** Available at the door – no advance tickets will be sold.

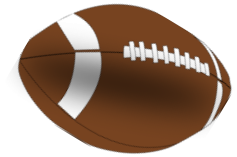
**RAFFLE TICKETS** Raffle tickets can be dropped in the collection basket for the next few weekends. On the day of the Fall Festival, Oct. 13, they can be turned in at the raffle booth, located inside the main entrance of the school. Remember---The Shamrock athletic budget depends on the success of this raffle.

- The Fall Festival Raffle normally generates about \$18,000-\$20,000
- If everyone picked up their tickets and sold the entire pack, it would generate \$112,000!
- Every pack sold **MAKES A DIFFERENCE** in the Shamrock sports budget!
- Even if you are busy on October 13, you can still help by selling your tickets.

# Homecoming 2019 News!!!!

## Childhood Cartoons

Seniors – Sponge Bob  
Juniors - Dora  
Sophomores – Scooby Doo  
Freshmen – Phineas and Ferb  
Jr. High – Mickey Mouse Club



## Homecoming Court

King Candidates: Jeff Davlin, Riley Kissane and Breton Weller  
Queen Candidates: Ally Florian, Leah Kissane and Samantha Teachworth  
Juniors: Tristin Huhn and Avery Zimmerman  
Sophomores: Derec Fedewa and Carly Scheurer  
Freshmen: Payton Russman and Samantha Smith  
Prince and Princess: Parker Osborne and Sadie Easlick

### Dress Up Days:

**Monday-** Comfy Day (Grades 6-12) Dress up in comfy clothes. (NO JEANS!!)

**Tuesday-** Jersey Day (Grades 6-12) Dress in your favorite Jersey, jeans allowed.

**Wednesday-** \*Sunday Best (Grades 9-12) Dress in your Sunday best. Guys in ties and girls in appropriate clothing (skirts should meet length requirement (no more than one inch above the knee), no bare shoulders and shoes should have straps on the back). Great Grandma approved!!! (No flip flops!)

\*Cartoon Day (Grades 6-8) Dress as your favorite cartoon character. (No flip flops or JEANS!)

**Thursday-** \*Cartoon Day (Grades 9-12) Dress as your favorite cartoon character. (No flip flops or JEANS!)

\*Sunday Best (Grades K-8) Dress in your Sunday best. Guys in ties and girls in appropriate clothing (skirts should meet length requirement (no more than one inch above the knee), no bare shoulders and shoes should have straps on the back). Great Grandma approved!!! (No flip flops!)

**Friday-** Spirit Days (Grades K-12) Dress up in St. Pat's SUPER spirit wear and let your spirit rock! (No flip flops!)

**\*\*\*Elementary and Jr. High are flip flopping Wednesday and Thursday. Sunday best day is on their Mass day.\*\*\***

### Activities and Events:

#### **Saturday, September 28, 2019**

- High School Dance in the Parish Hall from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- Students from other schools MUST have a dance permission slip.
- Cost is \$5 per person

#### **Friday, October 4, 2019**

- 7:30 a.m. – Donuts for High School and Junior High
- Volleyball Tournament (to be announced)
- Jr. and High School Pep Assembly (to be announced)
- 1:00 p.m. – High School Powder Puff.

#### **Saturday, October 5, 2019**

- 5:30 p.m. - PTO Tailgate Party at the Portland High School Parking Lot
- 6:00 p.m. – Parade from St. Patrick to Portland High School **\*\*\*This is for Jr. High and High School Students only.\*\*\***
- 7:00 p.m. – Football Game
- Bonfire after the football game at Fr. Flohe Field until 11:00 p.m.

During Spirit Week (Monday, September 30th – Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>) Student Council will be selling Spirit Wear during lunch. The students will be able to wear the tattoos on Friday of Homecoming week.

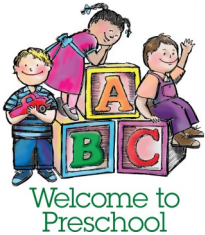
- 1 string of green and 1 string of white beads ----- 25¢
- 1 string of small shamrock necklace ----- 25¢
- 1 green of big shamrock necklace ----- 50¢
- 1 green glow pompon ----- \$3.00
- 1 green & white pompon ----- \$1.00
- 1 tattoos ----- 25¢
- 1 green frisbee----- \$1.00



## All Are Welcome at St. Patrick Preschool

By: Aaron Thelen, Preschool Director

All are welcome to attend St. Patrick Preschool! Please contact the office for a tour or to visit us in session! Students three years of age and fully potty trained can enroll at any time throughout the year. We offer two, three, four and five half day programs for both three and four year olds!



We Pray! We Learn! We Achieve! That's our mission statement and it's representative of the philosophy used at all levels of St. Patrick School. Not the least of them, the preschool program. At St. Patrick Preschool we center our days around Christ and his teachings. We pray every morning, before meals and at the end of the day. We dedicate an entire month to the rosary. We send cards of prayer if someone in our community becomes ill. Prayer is central to everything we do at St. Patrick Preschool.

We learn through play. The great Fred Rogers once said, "Play gives children a chance to practice what they are learning. They have to play with what they know to be true, in order to find out more, and then they can use what they learn in new forms of play". We believe that children learn best through interaction with their peers and teachers in a play-based curriculum that focuses on social emotional development, as well as basic academic skills needed to continue their educational journey. We will provide an unmatched educational foundation that will set the children in our classroom up for a career of educational and emotional success. One of the best interactions that we get to witness at St. Patrick is when siblings and cousins stop each other in the hallway for a hug or a high-five.

We achieve with readiness for the next level of school. By the end of the year, our students show the skills, both academically and emotionally, for the next chapter of their academic careers. They will be equipped with the proper knowledge of basic academic principles, and the social skills to help them thrive at the next level. Preschool should be an inviting, loving and colorful place for our little ones to learn and develop. There are many theories on how to provide a good foundation for preschool aged children and they all have great qualities about them. This year, we decided to offer more options in our morning session to allow for flexibility for our parent's schedules, as well as create an opportunity for the older children in those classes to set an example for their younger peers.

We Pray! We Learn! We Achieve! With Christ at the center of all we do at St. Patrick, we are able to uphold and thrive with this mission statement, even with our littlest Shamrocks. At St. Patrick Preschool, we offer an opportunity for children to grow in their faith and their social skills. With this, comes an advantage academically that follows our students throughout their lives. We hope that you will consider our wonderful program when the time comes to send your little ones to preschool!

Call St. Patrick School to register or set up a tour:

(517) 647-7551

