



Shamrock News

10/1/21

Notify the Office: Please contact the office if your child will not be attending school. If you email a teacher regarding attendance, please include LuAnn Kinsman and Janet Pung. Please be aware that the .com emails are no longer forwarded to St. Pat's staff.

Menu Update: Last minute menu changes are occurring frequently and are out of our control due to the nationwide food supply chain issues. We will try to notify you in advance when there is a change in the menu. Our kitchen staff does everything they can to make sure that all students receive a lunch that they like everyday.

Progress Reports: Progress reports for the first quarter (students in grades 3-12) are available on the Infinite Campus Parent/Student Portal. In order to view your student(s) progress report, please log into the portal, select the appropriate student, select Documents, select the appropriate report, view/print.

Texts messages/phone calls from Portland Public Schools: If you receive a text message from 67587, these are from Portland Public Schools. Portland Public Schools has an automated phone system that automatically texts/calls parents to inform them of school information. You are on their text/phone blasts because St. Pat's students enrolled in shared time classes are automatically placed in their system. Please be aware that there may be occasions when you may receive a text/call when it does not affect our students and there will not be a corresponding email. If the text/call is due to inclement weather, St. Pat's is automatically closed/delayed as well. Mrs. Smith and Mr. Hodge will send a remind or an email when there is important information to forward to you when it pertains to St. Pat's.

GO GREEN! GO WHITE!

Friday, October 8

No Busing in the afternoon - Portland Public 1/2 day

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

Knights of Columbus Rummage Sale: The fall sale will take place on October 21 & 22 at Knights Hall.

Senior Capstone Project:

Hello!

Our names are Tessa Lawson and Carly Zimmerman. We are seniors at St. Patrick High School where we have spent the last 13 years learning about the theological virtue of Hope. As Catholics, we learn to have hope when times get tough. Because of this, we want to be able to give back to those who need more hope in their lives.

Around Christmas time, St. Pat's, in conjunction with the Portland Community Fund and Portland High School, put together shoe boxes for children in Portland who are less fortunate. In the boxes, we put necessities, but we also add special gifts to surprise the kids and give them the hope for a better tomorrow. We want to collect returnables and any monetary donations to help cover the expenses of putting the boxes together. We are hoping to raise at least \$500 by October 20th. Any extra proceeds will go to Positive Solutions Informed Choices in Ionia, Michigan. If you would like to donate cans or money you can contact us through email at tlawson1@spshamrocks.org and czimmerman@spshamrocks.org.

Thank you!

Tessa Lawson and Carly Zimmerman



Calendar of Events



10/2 JV. VB @ Dansville Invitational 9a
Var. VB @ Perry Invitational 9a
5th gr. VB vs. St. Joseph/St. Mary @ SPS 10a
Var. Football @ Vestaburg 2p
10/3 Athletic Association Meeting in Parish Hall 6p
10/4-8 Homecoming week activities are in the newsletter
MS VB vs. Bath @ SPS 5:30p
10/5 Fire Prevention Presentations for PS-5 9:15-11:30a
MS & Var. XC CMAC Jamboree @ Uncle John's 4:30p
10/6 Mass for grades 9-12 9:30a
MS Football vs. Vestaburg @ FFF 5p
JV & Var. VB @ Saranac 5:30p

5th Grade VB @ St. Gerard 6p
10/7 Mass for grades 1-8 9:30a
Var. XC @ Apples to Apples Inv. @ Uncle John's 4:30p
MS Volleyball @ Dansville 5p
10/8 No PM Busing - PPS 1/2 day
Mass for grades K-12 9:30a
HS Homecoming Dance in Parish Hall 7-10:30p
10/9 Homecoming Parade 5:45p
Homecoming PTO Tailgate 6p
Var. Football vs. Webberville @ PHS 7p
Homecoming Bonfire @ FFF following game - 11p

St. Patrick School 122 West Street Portland, MI 48875

www.portlandstpats.com

The yearly St. Patrick School Calendar is [here](#).

2021 Spirit Week Calendar of Events

Theme: "Movie Series"

Seniors – Star Wars

Juniors – Toy Story

Sophomores – Finding Nemo

Freshman – Cars

Middle School - Marvel

Homecoming Court

King Candidates: Shane Cook, Derec Fedewa, and Braxton Teachworth

Queen Candidates: Sarah Davlin, Bella Myers, and Carly Scheurer

Junior Representatives: Martin White and Alivia Huhn

Sophomore Representatives: Lucas Simon and Izzy Kissane

Freshman Representatives: Joel Enz and Emma Kwiecinski

Prince and Princess: Wyatt Dixon and Ruby King

(Dress up days are for all students K-12)

Monday, October 4, 2021:

- Student dress-up day: Comfy Day (No Jeans)

Tuesday, October 5, 2021:

- Student dress-up day: Duo Day (i.e. Peanut Butter and Jelly, Thing 1 and Thing 2, Mickey and Minnie Mouse)

Wednesday, October 6, 2021:

- Grades 9-12 celebrate the Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. Mass
- Student dress-up day: Sunday Best (Grades 9-12) - Dress up like characters from any of the classes movie series (Grades K-8)

Thursday, October 7, 2021:

- High school students will attempt to escape from "The Escape Room"
- Student dress-up day: Dress up like characters from any of the classes movie series (Grades 9-12) - Sunday Best (Grades K-8)

Friday, October 8, 2021:

- Students in grades 6-12 will be treated to donuts and apple cider
- 9:30 a.m. All School Mass
- 10:15 a.m. High school boys volleyball tournament
- 11:45 a.m. High school pep assembly
- 1:00 p.m. High school powder puff football game
- Student dress-up day: Shamrock Spirit Day – Jeans/Spirit Wear
- 7:00-10:30 High School Dance

Saturday, October 9, 2021:

- 5:45 p.m. Parade from St. Patrick School to the football stadium (begin lining up at 5:30 p.m.)
- 6:00 p.m. PTO tailgate outside of the football stadium
- 7:00 p.m. – Kickoff for the football game
- 9:30 – 11:00 p.m. Bonfire

Please note: The high school student council will be selling spirit swag accessories.

Green beads and white beads 25¢ each string of beads

Green and white pom poms \$1.00

Tattoos 25¢ each

From the Scrip Department:

Thank you to everyone who completed the Scrip Evaluation Survey. I am happy to report that we collected 168 responses with some extremely helpful feedback, which will assist us in better tailoring this program to the needs of our parish and school. Here is what we are working on and future updates to expect:

1. The program will transition to two new program coordinators. Once this transition is complete, an announcement and introduction will be made.
2. I am reaching out to those who requested assistance with their accounts.
3. Specific questions asked through the survey are being addressed and responded to.
4. Program changes are being made to fit the needs of St. Patrick parishioners and school families.

Thank you again for your commitment to the Shop with Scrip program here at St. Patrick Parish.

Sincerely,
Julie Wight, Scrip Coordinator
scrip@portlandstpats.org

A green poster for St. Pat's Homecoming Tailgate. It features a white cross with a green shamrock in the center in the top left corner, and an orange football with black laces below it. The main text is in large, bold, black letters. At the bottom right, there is a yellow speech bubble with orange text.

ST. PAT'S PTO INVITES YOU TO:

***ST. PAT'S
HOMECOMING
TAILGATE***

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9TH
(immediately following the Homecoming Parade)

6 p.m. in the PHS Parking Lot

**PULLED PORK, HOT DOGS, CHIPS,
COOKIES & WATER PROVIDED!
BRING A DISH TO SHARE AND
YOUR OWN CHAIR(S)!**

GAME STARTS AT 7 P.M.

**Thank
you!**

*...to Ashton King for
donating 1/2 hog & to
Chris Teachout for
cooking it! We
appreciate your
contributions to this
event!*

Happy Sock-tober!!

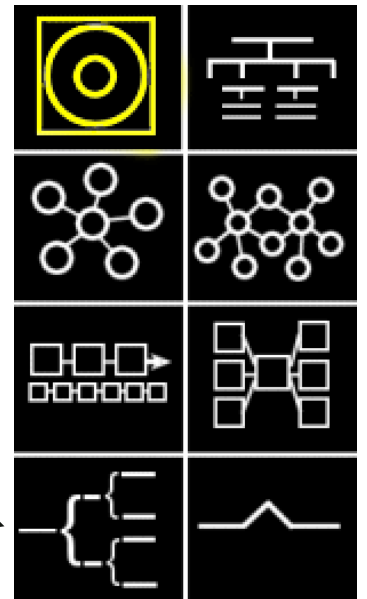
St. Patrick School will be collecting brand NEW socks of all sizes
and colors from
October 1 - October 29, 2021.

Place NEW socks only in the tote outside the school office. All
donations will go to Homeless Angels.
Warm Feet!! Warm Hearts!!!



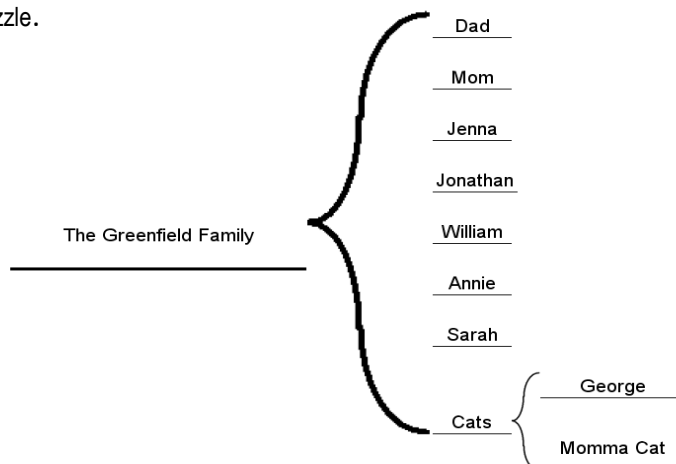
THINKING MAPS HOME & School

Brace Map Parts of a Whole



A brace map is used to identify all the individual parts that make up a whole thing. Think of it like a jigsaw puzzle. All the pieces make one picture and with any missing piece, you do not have a "whole" or completed puzzle.

Example:



Other ideas for **Brace Map**

- Parts of a plant
- Parts of a region/country
- Parts of a machine
- Parts of a number

With your family, create a brace map in the space below. You may select anything to break into all its parts.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

September

Elementary Counseling Lessons

- ♦ K: Meet the Counselor & Friendship
- ♦ 1: Superhero Friendship
- ♦ 2: Friendship—Cast a Wider Net
- ♦ 3: Sportsmanship
- ♦ 4: Cooperation—Flight Crew & Peer Relationships
- ♦ 5: Teamwork—Building Space Ships

Middle School Counseling Lessons

- ♦ 6: Bullying Prevention
- ♦ 7: Drama
- ♦ 8: Healthy Relationships

High School Counseling Lessons

- ♦ 9: Xello Career Exploration
- ♦ 10: Healthy Relationships
- ♦ 11: Xello Career Exploration
- ♦ 12: College Applications & FAFSA

Quick ways to **CALM** down! Sea Life Sensory Solutions.



Puffer Fish Puff

Puff your
cheeks like a
puffer fish!

Fill your
cheeks with air
and hold for 5
seconds.



Clam Cuddle

Cuddle
yourself like a
clam.

Place your
hands on the
opposite
shoulders and
squeeze.



Turtle Tongue

Poke your
tongue out like
a turtle pokes
out its neck.

Stick your
tongue out and
quickly hide it
again.



Starfish Stretch

Stretch out like a
starfish.

Place your arms
up over your
head and stretch
out wide. Stretch
your legs out
wide too.

IMPORTANT TEST DATES

PSAT (10th Grade): October 13, 2021

ASVAB (10th Grade): November 2, 2021

SAT (11th Grade): March 23, 2022



Portland St. Patrick Fall Festival

November 7, 2021

The 2021 [Portland St. Patrick's Fall Festival](#) will be limited to the raffle and take out dinner again this year.

Fall Festival Dinner-Take Out Only

The Fall Festival Dinner will be on Sunday, November 7, from 10:30 - 2:00, and will be take-out only. You can purchase your dinners [online](#) and choose your own pick up time using the QR code at the bottom of the page. If you need help with your online purchase or would like to place your order over the phone, please call Jill Scheurer at 517-944-4725.

Cost is \$10 each and your dinner will include:

- 2 Meats
- Potatoes
- Vegetable
- Dessert

Big Bucks Raffle



The Big Bucks Raffle will be held on November 7, at 2:00 p.m. You can buy a ticket for \$100 with prizes of:

- 1st prize: \$5000 cash
- 2nd prize: \$1000 cash
- 3rd-6th prizes: \$500 cash

Buy your ticket [online](#), or from any Shamrock athlete! Raffle License #R61944

Special Offers:

Buy 2 tickets at Regular Price (\$100), get a 3rd Ticket Free. Good now through October 3, 2021.

PLUS---EARLY BIRD SPECIAL:

All tickets purchased before October 3 will be put into a special drawing---to get a free ticket! Better hurry!

Supporting the Fall Festival is Supporting our Shamrock Athletics!

The Fall Festival supports the Shamrock athletic program, which is funded entirely by the Athletic Association. The past couple of years have not been kind to the group, who saw their rainy-day fund disappear because of large unexpected expenses. Cancelled games last year, along with Covid-related restrictions further depleted the account.

Please consider buying one or more tickets for the Big Bucks Raffle, and order dinners for your family. If you would like to make a separate donation to the Athletic Association, please click on the button below.

Thank you from the Shamrock athletes, coaches, and fans.



Use the QR Code to purchase your raffle or take out dinners soon!

Contact

Jill Scheurer, Chair (517) 944-4725

Address

122 West Street
Portland, MI





BONUS  FEST

NEW 3-DAY
BONUSES

EVERY FRIDAY – SUNDAY

Oct 8 – 31



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Portland Community Fund Association Coat Drive and Giveaway

Our annual coat drive will begin Friday, October 8th and run through Friday, October 15th. Adult and children's clean, useable coats will be collected along with outerwear such as hats, mittens, gloves, and boots. Snowpants are especially needed. General clothing and garage sale items are not being collected. PLEASE DO NOT donate these items.

A "Stuff the Bus" will be provided by Portland Public Schools, Ted Goodman of Goodman Dairy Farm, and Scott Teachout and Joel Vanslambrouck of G & B Pool Supplies. The bus will be the only location to drop off donations. The bus will be located at Bill's Party Store at 1153 E. Grand River in Portland.

The coat giveaway will be Saturday, October 16th from 1:00-3:00 at Knights Hall located at 890 Maynard Road. Coats and outerwear will be available to anyone needing them. We also have 70 pairs of shoes in adult sizes to give away.

Trunk-or-Treat: Portland high school will be having a trunk-or-treat.

PHS HALL-O-Ween
Thursday, Oct. 27
6-7:30pm

Sign up for a [time slot](#) and start your adventure by the gym entrance.

****This is currently a planned event but subject to change.**





Help us create the **NEXT GENERATION OF MANUFACTURERS!**

Discover Manufacturing Week:

- Connecting manufacturers and students
- Webinars and Live Tours
- Inspire students to pursue a career in manufacturing.

Want an inside look into Discover Manufacturing Week?

Watch this video: discover-manufacturing.com/discover-manufacturing-week

**We are excited to offer two
events this year!**

Virtual: November 1

Interactive 30-minute webinars
featuring two manufacturers, facility
tours, and discussion.

In-Person: November 8-12

Traditional event allows small groups
of students to visit local manufacturers
for on-site facility tours and discussion.

**REGISTER
TODAY!**

Receive a **\$10 Amazon e-gift card!!**

Available to the first 60 educators who register.

Register now through October 15.

Have questions or need more information?

Contact your Discover Manufacturing Week champion:



Beth Geldhof

Phone: 616-489-2151 / Email: bgeldhof@ioniaisd.org



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