



Shamrock News

10/15/21

Picture Retake Day: Picture retake day is on Tuesday, October 19. If a student was not here on picture day, they will be photographed on this day. Please bring your picture package to the photographer if a student will have a retake.

Vision & Hearing Screening: Screening will be taking place on Oct. 20 & 21. If you would like your child tested, please call the school office. Hearing for grades PS, K, 2, & 4. Vision for grades PS, 1, 3, 5, 7, & 9.

Substitute Teachers Needed: St. Patrick School is in need of substitute teachers for all grade levels. To become a sub, you need to have at least 60 college credits and sign up with [WillSub](#). Effective November 1, substitute teacher pay rate at St. Pat's will increase to \$130 a day. Please help spread the word.

Updated School Calendar: An updated calendar was emailed to families this week. Please note that Friday, March 4th will be a full day of school and Friday, March 11 there will be no students in session due to Professional Development for staff. There is also a link to our calendar and website at the bottom of the first page of the newsletter.

Congratulations: Congratulations to varsity girls basketball coach Al Schrauben as he was presented with a plaque from the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan (BCAM) in recognition of his 700+ wins as a varsity basketball head coach! As he enters his 38th season, he is ranked 5th all-time in MHSAA girls' basketball wins, while only two active coaches remain ahead of him on this prestigious list. Congratulations Coach!

PTO Uniform Sale: There will be an uniform sale during Parent/Teacher conferences on Thurs., Oct. 28 from 4-8pm and Fri., Oct. 29 from 12-4pm in room 208. Everything is \$1.

Last day for shorts: The last day that students can wear shorts to school is Friday, October 29th.

Fall Fest Tickets: Paper tickets were distributed to athletes in grades 5-12 this week. Families that sell four or more will receive out of dress code slips. Families that sell six or more will receive out of dress code slips and a chance to win other prizes.

Friday, October 22

No School - Professional Development Day for staff

Friday, October 29

1/2 day - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Grades 6-12 dismiss 11:25a/Grades K-5 dismiss 11:40a
No Preschool
No busing all day - PPS not in session

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

Elementary Halloween Party Details:

- Friday, October 29.
- Morning party - 1/2 day of school, see classroom newsletter for specific times and details.
- Wear costumes to school OR independently put costumes on over clothes.
- No blood, gore, weapons, etc.
- No Parade of Costumes.
- Only parents assisting with the party can attend the party. No younger siblings.



Bus Changes: Portland Public Schools will reduce three bus routes daily starting on Monday, October 18th. Parents will need to find transportation for their child one day per week, Monday through Thursday. They are also reducing routes on Fridays and that will be done as a rotation.

Day		No Transportation		
Monday		Bus A (4)	Bus B (5)	Bus C (11)
Tuesday		Bus D (14)	Bus E (12)	Bus F (16)
Wednesday		Bus G (17)	Bus H (1)	Bus I (2)
Thursday		Bus J (3)	Bus K (15)	Bus L (18)
Friday		Rotation		
Friday Rotation	Oct 22	No School for St. Pat's		
	Oct 29	1/2 Day for St. Pat's - No Busing		
	Nov 5	Bus D (14)	Bus E (12)	Bus F (16)
	Nov 12	Bus G (17)	Bus H (1)	Bus I (2)
	Nov 19	Bus J (3)	Bus K (15)	Bus L (18)



Calendar of Events



10/15 Var. Football @ Farwell 7p
10/16 Fr. VB @ Perry Invitational 9a
Var. VB @ Dansville Invitational 9a
Var. XC @ Greater Lansing Invitational 9a
10/17 Athletic Association Meeting in Parish Hall 6:30p
10/18 MS VB vs. Fulton @ SPS 5:30p
10/19 Picture Retake Day 7:30-10a
10/20 Mass for grades 9-12 9:30a

MS & Var. XC CMAC Jamboree @ Laingsburg 4p
JV & Var. VB vs. Dansville @ SPS 5:30p
10/21 Mass for grades 1-8 9:30a
MS VB @ Fowler 5p
10/22 No School - Staff PD
10/23 Var. VB CMAC Tournament @ Laingsburg 9a
Var. XC @ Shepherd Class D State Championship 9a
Var. Football vs. Burr Oak @ PHS 2p

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



St. Patrick Jacket Orders: Fabricated Customs is taking pre-orders on their website for jackets from Thursday, October 7 - Thursday, October 21. Here is the [link](#) to the pre-order.

Volleyball T-Shirts and Hoodies: Fabricated Customs has a volleyball shirt pre-order going on now until October 22nd @ 8 PM. This [link](#) will take you to the website to place an order.

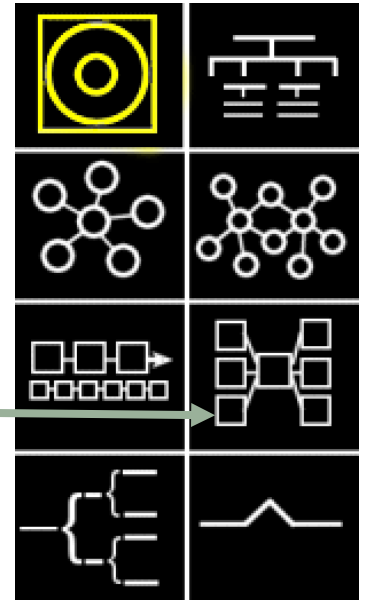


Knights of Columbus Rummage Sale: The fall sale will take place on October 21 & 22 at Knights Hall.



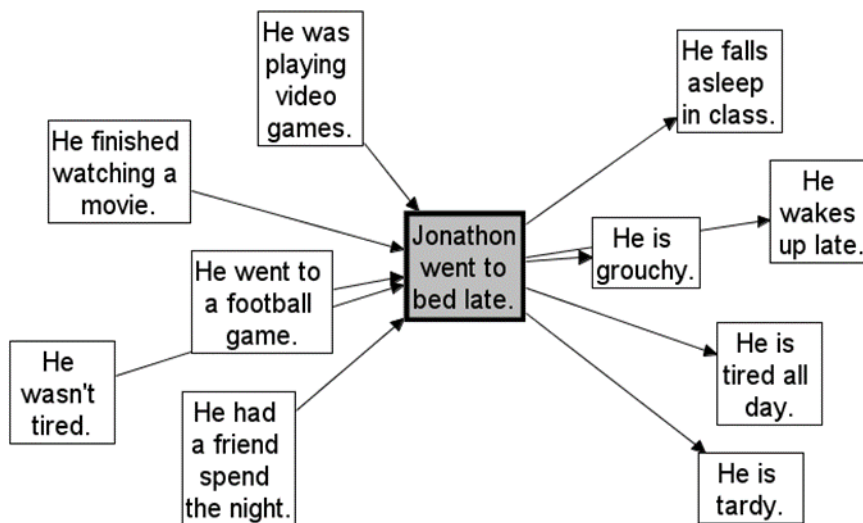
THINKING MAPS **HOME** & School

Multi-Flow Map Cause and Effect



The multi-flow map is used to identify causes and effects of an event. Sometimes only half of the map is used to only focus on causes or look more closely at effects of something.

Example:



Other ideas for **Multi-Flow Map**

- Causes for someone to laugh
- Effects of not doing homework
- Cause/Effect eating healthy
- Causes for increased

With your family, create a multi-flow map on a separate piece of paper. You may identify causes and/or effects of any event.

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@spsshamrocks.org and czimmerman@spsshamrocks.org.

Thank you!

Tessa Lawson and Carly Zimmerman

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. Snow pants 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.

Another option to get a coat is to visit the Portland Community Clothes Closet located at the Portland United Methodist Church, 310 Bridge Street. The coats and clothing are available free of charge. The hours are Monday from 9:00 a.m. to noon and Thursday 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Christmas applications will be available in October. Any family residing in the Portland School District that may need assistance or knows of someone in need should fill out an application.

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.**



Portland Public Schools is announcing the following Transportation Incentive Program to begin on October 11, 2021. School bus and van driver employment opportunities are available with both Portland Public Schools and METS.

Wages

Transportation salaries will be increased by \$1.50/hr making our base run rate \$20/hr for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

Signing Bonus

The following signing bonus will be provided to all newly hired drivers:

- \$3,000 for a fully certified bus driver that begins employment before January 1, 2022
- \$2,000 for a fully certified bus driver that begins employment after January 1, 2022
- \$1,000 for any uncertified bus or van driver

Miscellaneous

The District will pay for all necessary bus driver training courses. Individuals will receive \$250 for taking and completing the training courses. All driver related costs (fingerprint, CDL, etc.) will be reimbursed. Drivers will be offered PTO and Holiday Pay.

Retention Bonus

All drivers will receive a retention incentive of \$1,000 for their continued employment into the 2022-2023 school year.

If you or anyone you know may be interested in driving part time or full time please have them contact our HR Specialist Diana Graef at dgraef@portlandk12.org or call our office at (517) 647-4161.



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



SUPPORT ST. PAT'S PTO

FALL FUNDRAISER

October 15-31, 2021

With the holidays fast approaching, we have teamed up with 3 local businesses to offer a one-stop shopping experience!

Candles & Wax Melts
FROM THE PORT

Card Sets
FROM USBORNE BOOKS & MORE

Coffee
FROM COURAGEOUS COFFEE

Order Online through 10/31/21:

<https://bit.ly/SPSfallfund>





BONUS  FEST

NEW 3-DAY
BONUSES

EVERY FRIDAY – SUNDAY

Oct 8 – 31



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Questions? Email: Scrip@PortlandStPats.org

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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!!!

