



St. Patrick School Scoop

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Playing on the varsity team this year are eighth graders Sofia Beals, Janie Cassady, Victoria Dziekciasz, Julia Gabrys, Courtney Kuhn, Mickaela Nebel, and Julie Peiffer. They are coached by Victoria Beals and her assistant SPS graduate and VC junior, Kayla Cook.

The junior varsity team is comprised of fourth graders Aliseia Baker, Taylor Geer, and Shaela Whiting; fifth graders Taylor Dziekciasz and Adriane Felmler; sixth graders Carla Cintron, Angela Fiorentino, Carolina Hugus, and Taylor Porter. They are coached by Jim Fryman, Julie Hovis, and Carol Fiorentino.

Game Schedule

All games start with the jv at 1:00 followed by the varsity unless otherwise noted.

- 10/18 v. Seton
- 10/25 @ Seton
- 11/14 @ North Clarion Catholic -
jv only
- 11/15 v. St. Stephen
- 11/21 @ St. Michael
- 11/22 v. St. Joseph

PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Our fourth through sixth graders are participating in a nutrition and fitness program provided by Clarion University's Health Science Education Center. They are able to participate in this program due to a grant Clarion University received. The university is also generously providing the instruction for the middle school physical education class also. As part of the program, students are also able to participate in an after school fitness program held each Tuesday from 3:00 to 4:00.



Mason Crivelli and Brittany Vecero race through the obstacle course during Tuesday, October 7th's after school fitness program.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 10/21 OPEN HOUSE 6:30-7:30
Come see what we are doing.
- 10/24 SPS Family Outing to the A-Maze-ing Farm Adventure in Lucinda.
- 10/26 The Living Rosary at 11:00 in Dion
- 10/28 PTO Meeting at 7:00 in the multipurpose room
- 11/1 VCHS Roast Beef Dinner

SPS FAMILY OUTING

Join us as we venture off to Lucinda to the A-Maze-ing Farm Adventure on Saturday, October 24, 2009. We will meet at the school for a 10:00 departure.

The A-Maze-ing Farm Adventure includes nearly 5 miles of trails spread across 10 acres. There is a maze to fit every skill level from beginners to more experienced "mazers". There are also other activities such as Duck Races and The Ropin' Rack plus, lots of farm animals.

If you are interested in joining us, contact the school office for more information

IN THE CLASSROOM



Pre-School

Jan Anderson, a consultant from the PA. Dept. of Health, came and spoke to the children about fire safety. The class practiced "STOP, DROP, and ROLL" and they also practice crawling under smoke. The children also enjoyed singing an APPLE song to the tune of "Bingo."

Kindergarten

Kindergarten has been studying fall characteristics, fire safety, owls, Christopher Columbus, and Halloween. They are also doing "beginning" readings and patterning in math. In religion they have been studying saints. A field trip to the public library is planned for November.

First Grade

First graders are joining Super Bowl MVPs Peyton and Eli Manning and Scholastic Book Clubs to help donate one million books to disadvantaged children. The students have pledged to read 100 books as part of Scholastic Book Clubs' Classrooms Care program.

Primary Multiage (Second and Third Grades)

Mrs. Klinger's students have finished their second novel, "Charlotte's Web". They made vivid visualizations of the vocabulary from the story. At the conclusion of the story, they presented a Reader's Theater to their friends and family.

They have also joined Scholastic Books' Team Eli. They will be reading 100 books so that Scholastic will donate one million books to disadvantaged children.

In social studies they have studies communities. They learned about rural, suburban, and urban areas. They then made projects to show what each area looks like. Soon they will travel through the city to see how our community of Franklin meets our needs.

Fourth Grade

In social studies the fourth graders are learning about how our country works. They have talked about their ancestors and the struggles they may have encountered and what customs they practiced. They have also discussed the symbols of our country, what each branch of the government is responsible for and what our responsibilities and rights are as citizens of the United States.

In science they completed their leaf collections and have completed their study of plants and how they contribute to our ecosystem. They will be observing the growth of various plants in the classroom.

Fourth grade is also participating in the Scholastic Book Clubs' Classrooms Care Program.

Multiage (Fifth and Sixth Grades)

In social studies the students have completed a unit of study on Egypt. In math they are learning about prime and composite numbers, greatest common factors, and least common multiples in preparation to working with fractions. The students are enjoying the book "Freak the Night" and are anxious to begin the sequel "Max the Mighty." They will then watch the movie and compare it to the book.

Middle School

In science the middle schoolers have been studying cells. They have observed different types of cells under the microscope. They will be taking a field trip to the Apple Store to learn how to make a movie using pictures they have taken and burn their movie to a dvd to share with others.
