



**June 9, 2010
Upcoming Events**

June 11, Last Day of School for ECD – This is a regular school day – see details below

June 14, Noon Dismissal – ASCP available –
Children report back to school at 5:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m., Graduation for Grades 1 – 8

June 15, 10:15 a.m., Final Assembly – Noon Dismissal - ASCP available

June 15, 12:30 p.m., Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon – Sign up sheet in parlor

June 16 – 18, Mini Camp – Registration Form included in this week’s Weekly Bulletin



**REMINDER
THE FACULTY AND STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON
JUNE 15TH**

Calling all cooks, bakers, and helpers of all ages.

The Parents’ Association will host the annual Faculty and Staff Appreciation Luncheon in the Library at 12:30pm on June 15th, the last day of school. There are a number of ways you and your children can help with this event and show your appreciation to faculty and staff. We need help with set up at 11:00, serving at 12:30 and with clean up following the luncheon. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the parlor!



Reminder for Parents of children in the ECD

Friday, June 11th is the last day of school for Preschool, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten students. It is a full day of school for the children with normal pick up times. Be sure to check out the flyer in this week’s bulletin about the Mini Camp that we offer to St. Peter’s students on Wednesday, June 16, 17, and 18.



Graduation Information

Please Note: Graduation begins at 6:00 p.m. – approx. 7:30 p.m.

St. Peter's School will hold its Graduation on **Monday, June 14, at 6:00 p.m.**

All children in Grades One through Eight are required to attend Graduation.

The entire school is dismissed at noon on Monday so that the children can rest for the afternoon. Grades One through Seven (except for graduates, ushers and flower children who have special instructions) return to school at 5:30 p.m. and wait in their classrooms with their teachers.

Boys should wear school uniforms. Upper School boys wear a blazer, white or blue oxford shirt, school tie, uniform pants, dark socks and school shoes.

School ties are available from Mrs. Scirrotto at a cost of \$7.00.

Girls wear "summery" dresses. They should wear white socks and shoes that will not cause them to slip on the stone aisle.

The faculty and I look forward to enjoying the 2010 Graduation Ceremony with you and your children.



David J. Costello

Please meet your children in their classrooms for dismissal after Graduation so we know that they have connected with you.

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20 Families Needed!

We are looking for current families who would like to be welcome families for incoming students. If you think you may be interested in taking a new St. Peter's family under your wing or would like more information, please contact Brit Munsterteiger as soon as possible.

St. Peter's School Summer Reading – Upper School

Required Reading for Students:

Students must read the books listed for the grade they are entering. Students must read indicated optional books as well for a total of four (or more) books to read for each grade level.

Rising 5th: Four or more books to read

- **ENGLISH:** *D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths* by Ingri d'Aulaire and Edgar Parin d'Aulaire
- **SCIENCE:** *Invisible Allies: Microbes that Shape Our Lives* by Jeanette Farrell
- **HISTORY:** *Detectives in Togas* by Henry Winterfeld
- *Students must read at least one more optional book.*

Rising 6th: Four or more books to read

- **ENGLISH:** *Door in the Wall*, by Marguerite de Angeli
- **SCIENCE:** *My Life with the Chimpanzees*, by Jane Goodall
- *Students must read at least two more optional books.*

Rising 7th: Four or more books to read

- **ENGLISH:** *Tangerine*, by Edward Bloor
- **SCIENCE:** *All Creatures Great and Small* by James Herriot
- *Students must read at least two more optional books.*

Rising 8th: Four or more books to read

- **ENGLISH:** *Lady Susan*, by Jane Austen
- **HISTORY:** *Fever 1793*, by Laurie Halse Anderson
- **SCIENCE:** *An Audience for Einstein*, by Mark Wakely
- *Students must read at least one more optional books.*

Upper School News

We Declaim a Final Time



Congratulations to all of our students who participated in Final Declamation: Scott Blum-Woodland, Nicholas Dahl, Julia Strauss, Hannah Hopkins, George Hall, Emma Chiaravalli, Campbell Holder, Lexis Ivers and Christina Leader. These are the Most Mentioned from each of the months that the students declaimed. At our Awards Assembly (2 p.m. Friday the 11th), one of these contenders will take home the prize of Most Mentioned for the school year. Thank you to Mrs. Patel and Ms. Kreider for coaching the students to

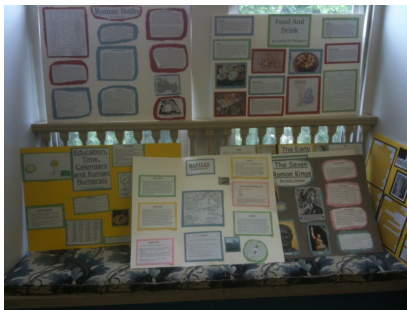
declamatory success this year.

Battle of the Bands

In what could become a St. Peter's School tradition, we had a Battle of the Bands last Monday. Five groups competed with songs ranging from pop dance numbers to ABBA and the Beatles. All of the students took the competition seriously, incorporating singing, percussion, and instrumental accompaniment. The Eighth Grade presented "We are the World" which was both a wonderful musical finale to their year and a send off to their distant horizons. Congratulations to Ms. Mazza for helping make this battle a true success.



Roman Celebration



With topics ranging from warfare to art and politics, this year's 5th Grade studied ancient Rome in splendid detail under the guidance of Mrs. Patel. Last week, parents and other guests were treated to presentations of the students' hard work. The poster boards were completed in school so that everyone could do their individual best. A thought-provoking question for your next dinner conversation: How was the Roman Empire cut in half? With a pair of Caesars.

Alumni Game = Big Spirit

St. Peter's School alumni returned to compete in heated battle between the Garnets and Grays on June 4th. It is a great way for the alumni to come back, see their teachers, and show off their basketball skills. The crowd of students and faculty members applauded their favorite team at a feverish pitch in the Old Pine Gym. While no one dunked this year, there were plenty of fancy moves to keep everyone excited. In the end the Garnets won the game by 9 points!



HOST FAMILIES STILL NEEDED

Dear St. Peter's School Families,

We are excited to announce the start of a new program at St. Peter's School. In October of 2010 we will welcome a small number of Guatemalan students to our upper school for an 8-week study abroad program. We will likely have students visiting in grades Six and Seven. The Guatemalan students will share their culture with our students and community while participating in all aspects of the St. Peter's academic and extra curricular programs. Our visitors will teach students in younger grades short Spanish lessons and make presentations to our school community about Guatemalan culture, geography and history. We expect this to be an enriching opportunity for our community and our visitors.

In order to make this program possible, we are asking St. Peter's families to volunteer to host a student for his/her 8-week stay. Any St. Peter's family is welcome to apply to be a host family. Experiencias Interculturales, the organization we are working with in Guatemala, is ultimately responsible for choosing the host families. These choices are made based on which families are likely to be the best match for a particular student. A host family does not need to have a child in the same grade as the Guatemalan student visitor; however, it is expected that the host family would have one child of the same gender in their family.

A host family will be responsible for caring for the Guatemalan student during his/her 8-week stay. This means providing all meals, transportation and including the child in all family events; there is much to be gained from this experience for the visiting student and the host family. If there is a special event, like a trip over the Thanksgiving Holiday, the Guatemalan family will help off-set the cost of airfares etc.

The Guatemalan students will arrive on October 16, 2010 and depart on December 11, 2010. I have included the Host Family application with this letter. We will arrange specific meetings for families interested in hosting; these meetings will happen the last week of August. You can sign up for a meeting with me upon returning your application. It will be during this time that Host Families will be selected and learn about the specific student who will be living with them in the fall.

We believe this is a wonderful opportunity for the St. Peter's School community. We hope that many of you will consider applying to be a host family. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the process or the program.

Thanks,
Brit Munsterteiger
Admissions Director

**** Thank you to the deWyngaert family for being our first host family to sign up!***



Dear Host families,

Thank you so much for your interest in participating in this exchange of cultures.

The purpose of this form is to provide some information about the host family to the local family, so both families can communicate before the program begins.

Date

Host Family General Information

Host Family Home Address:

Home Telephone

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Name of the Father:

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Occupation

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Work Phone

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E-mail

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Name of the Mother:

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Occupation

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Work Phone

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E-mail

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Host Brother / Sister Information

Name			
Age (as of October)			
E-mail			
Languages that are spoken at home			
Do the parents live together?	Yes	No	

Siblings

Name	Age	Gender	School

Describe extracurricular activities, hobbies or personal interests your son/daughter has, and some additional information about his - her personality:

Describe the regular weekend activities you do as a family:

Please, include a family picture:

Thank You !!!!!

What: Secondary School Admissions Preparation

When: Thursday, June 10th at 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Who: Mr. Weymouth and Mr. Costello

Dear Seventh Grade Parents,

The secondary school placement process for our graduating class of 2011 is underway and we invite you to a meeting scheduled for June 10, 2010, 7p.m.-8:30p.m. This meeting is only for families that have re-enrolled at St. Peter's School for the 2010-2011 academic year and will provide you with the information you will need to begin the secondary school search for your child. While the meeting will formalize the secondary school placement process, it is important to begin the conversations about schools with your child now (many of you have already begun the search process, which is great). We at St. Peter's will be discussing school options and the appropriate fit for your child; we look forward to sharing our thoughts with your family.

We have completed updating the 2010-2011 Secondary School Placement Handbook and will distribute the handbook at the June 10 meeting. We will also provide you with instructions on how to make the best use of the information provided in the handbook. Your attendance at this meeting is essential. While the secondary school search and placement can seem like an overwhelming process, it is our goal to make this journey an informative and rewarding experience.

Sincerely,

Timothy B. Weymouth

Upper School Director

St Peter's School 2009-2010 Annual Giving Campaign

Still haven't made a pledge?

Wondering why you should?

When you make an Annual Giving gift to St. Peter's School, your child benefits

You help the school:

- Attract and retain the best faculty
- Provide financial assistance to talented students
- Employ leading-edge technology in the classroom
- Upgrade and maintain the classrooms

This year and every year, annual giving contributions support an exceptional education for every St. Peter's student!

Our fiscal year ends June 30, 2010. A 2009-2010 Annual Giving gift of any kind provides you with a charitable deduction on 2010 taxes

Gifts of all sizes are accepted and appreciated.

St. Peter's School

Mini Camp

June 16th through 18th

Only available to current St. Peter's School students.

Half Day 8am-1pm \$40/day or \$100/week

Full Day 8am-6pm \$60/day or \$160/week

Children will enjoy crafts, music, games and other activities in an age appropriate group and setting. Each day of Mini Camp will focus on a different theme.

Please register before June 4th

For additional information contact Mr. Stewart, After School Care Director, at kstewart@st-peters-school.org



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Program Fees

Half Day 8am-1pm \$40/day or \$100/week

Full Day 8am-6pm \$60/day or \$160/week

Child's Name _____

Entering Grade _____

Please circle Half or Full

Wednesday	Half	Full
Thursday	Half	Full
Friday	Half	Full

Registration must be received by June 4th and
Mini Camp fees must be paid in full prior to June 11th.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

Friends of Mario Lanza Park Present:

KID FEST '10'

At Mario Lanza Park (200 Block Catharine/ Queen Sts)

Kid Fest is **FREE** to all. Your generous contributions help make it a wonderful yearly event. Donations will be accepted at each of the events. Thank you for your continued support of **Kid Fest!**

TUESDAYS in June @ 7p.m.



June 1st Mummies Night

Come Dance to the Mummer's Music! Balloons! Face Painting! Tattoos! Bring a Picnic!



June 8th Halloween Night

Wear Your Costume and Bring Your Trick or Treat Bag!



June 15th Bike Parade Night

Decorate Your Bike, scooter or just wear your wheels and parade around the neighborhood with a Police Escort!



June 22nd Firetruck Night

A Real Firetruck!

Get Sprayed by the Hose! Wear Bathing Suits & Bring a Towel!

There are no rain dates for any of these events

St. Peter's School ***Summertime***

June 21 – July 30

St. Peter's, one of Philadelphia's oldest and finest independent schools, offers a unique summer program designed specifically for children entering Preschool through Grade One. The summer program, conveniently located in Society Hill, offers small age appropriate groups, experienced faculty, and a chance to learn, create, and of course, have fun!

The St. Peter's School Summer Program is for children entering Preschool through Grade One. The Summer Program lasts 6 weeks, beginning in June and continuing through July. Families may register for as many weeks as they would like. Children can attend the Half-day Sessions (8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.) or Full Day Sessions (8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Young children (must be toilet-trained) participate in a balanced morning program of structured play and learning. The day is full of age appropriate activities including circle time, music, arts and crafts, French lessons, active games, and plenty of time outside!

The children are in small groups of no more than 12 campers with a lead teacher and an assistant. All of our teachers are experienced educators. Visiting musicians, animal enthusiasts, and singers supplement the program each week. We hope your child can join us this summer!

Miss Lauren Girardi
Summer Program Director

St. Peter's School *Summertime*

2010 Enrollment Form

Program Fees

Full Day 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.....\$300/week

Half Day 8:30 am to 12:00 pm.....\$200/week

Child's Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Gender _____ Grade Ent. In Fall _____

Please circle half or full day

___ Half/Full Week 1 (6/21- 6/25) ___ Half/Full Week 4 (7/12 – 7/16)
___ Half/Full Week 2 (6/28 – 7/2) ___ Half/Full Week 5 (7/19 –7/23)
___ Half/Full Week 3 (7/6 – 7/10) ___ Half/Full Week 6 (7/26 – 7/30)

Parents: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Enrollment form for St. Peter's School Summertime Program
must be accompanied by a
\$300 non-refundable deposit per child.
Balance is due by Friday, June 18, 2010.

Mail to:
St. Peter's School Summertime
319 Lombard Street
Philadelphia, PA 19147

For more information: lgirardi@st-peters-school.org or 215-925-3963

Student Stage

Summer Camps for Kids (Grades 2-6)

at

St. Peter's School

319 Lombard St.

Theater Camp

June 21, June 28, July 12

Kids write and direct their own play

*Script Writing *Directing
*Acting

Musical Camp

July 19-July 30 (1 two wk session)

Kids learn numbers from classic musicals

*Singing *Dancing
*Acting

Kids design and create the scenery, costumes and lighting.
Performance each session.

With an emphasis on creative writing, teamwork, self expression and leadership skills, these summer theater programs provide academic enrichment, as well as loads of fun!

Call or Email Melissa Church, M. Ed.
Student Stage Creator and Director

215-837-7860 or melissatheater@gmail.com

For More Information visit:

www.PhillyStudentStage.com



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"Take A Dive" with Science Explorers on the week on July 19th at St. Peter's School. Dive into the world of marine biology and oceanography as we dissect a real shark, bring to life genuine Triassic Trips, and much more! For scientists 7 to 11 years old, camp is being offered as a half or full day option. Other locations in the surrounding area include: Fairmount Waterworks, Drexel University and Chestnut Hill Academy. To register, see the full summer schedule and topic descriptions at www.scienceexplorers.com!

