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Mission Possible: Holiness

From Gaudete Et Exsultate (Rejoice and Be Glad) - Pope Francis I

Good Sunday Morning,

Welcome to a five day school week with no heat days! I am sending this e-mail a little earlier than usual in case my power or internet go out due to rain and winds.

MAP testing - will begin on Monday. We need your kids well rested, full from a nutritious breakfast, and ready to do their best. A positive mindset will do wonders for their performance and give us an accurate benchmark for each individual as well as the school. Thanks for your cooperation in making sure they are ready and thinking positively.

You have been generous so far - with donations to Saint Baldrick's. We have collected over \$500 from the Casual for a Cause Day last week. Thank you so much!! Do you or family and friends want to donate to online via Shaun's or my page? Here's how:

Shaun Wood: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/mypage/989256/2018>

Eileen Updegrove: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/mypage/989644/2018>

And who else wants to be brave and bald - with Shaun Wood and me. Let me know who else might be joining us NEXT Sunday at the German Central Foundation on York Road from 3-7pm and we will take a group picture WITH hair on Friday. Girls with longer hair not wanting to go completely bald, how about donating those lovely locks for a wig? Just sign up as a sign up as a volunteer, and change your message to say you are donating your ponytail. Wigs For Kids will be at the event as a partner charity and they require a minimum of 12 inches, but any girl with at least 8 in can donate to Children With Hairloss-- we just can't broadcast that, as per the agreement with Wigs For Kids. Either way, money raised goes to St Baldrick's. Let's do this for kiddos like Stanley Feeney (Karissa's little brother) who are in the battle and need a cure! Here's the link: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/events/stoshystrong2018>

Not wanting to get your head shaved, but would love to come to the event? - You are in luck. The event has food and drinks and sideboards and lots of fun for the whole family at a reasonable cost (remember it is a fundraiser). See the attached flyer for details. Who wouldn't want to see their friend or their principal go bald??? Join us please. It's for a great cause!

High School Test Prep - for eighth graders who registered will start on Monday from 2:45-4:45pm.

Tuesday is Patriot Day (September 11) - so we will have a patriotic red, white and blue accent day with uniform shorts/pants or skirts. Show your pride and gratitude for the many freedoms we have in the United States.

LifeWorks Ohio's Choose Life Program - will be presented to our junior high beginning Wednesday. Choose Life highlights the Catholic beliefs in respecting all human life from conception to natural death. We have had this program in our school for about 10 years.

The first PTU meeting of the year - will be on Wednesday beginning at 7pm. Meetings do not usually last more than an hour. This month's meeting will take place in Lower Parish Hall.

Parents of returning band members - are invited to an informational meeting on Thursday at 7pm at Padua High School.

Young Rembrandts - is a class for students who want to learn step by step drawing. Flyers went home earlier this year and the first meeting will be this Friday from 2:45-3:45pm in the art room. They are an outside company, so there is a charge.

The first junior high dance - will take place on Friday from 7:30-10pm at Saint Thomas More. Parents MUST register their children via the instructions e-mailed on Friday afternoon.

The annual Touch-A-Truck Event - will take place next Sunday. Kids are invited to Parma Health Education Center on State Road to see and touch BIG trucks and other vehicles. It is a very cool event - especially for the little ones. It takes place from 12noon -5pm.

Plan for picture day - on Monday, September 17. Start thinking about what colorful top you want your child to wear and how you will style your child's hair. Order MUST be turned in prior to 8:15am when the picture taking begins. Better yet, place your order online. Order forms went home last week.

Peace and blessings to all,

Eileen M. Updegrove