

St. Peter's Elementary School
January 12, 2011 School Commission Report

1. The end of the second quarter is Friday, January 21. Report cards will be distributed to students on Friday, January 28. Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences will be held in the elementary school on Thursday, February 3 from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m.
2. I have reminded parents in several recent letters about this year's enrollment registration period. **As has been done in previous years, a \$100 per child registration fee (not to exceed \$200 per family) will be required from all current families for enrollment in Montessori through grade twelve.** This year's Open House will be held on Sunday, February 13 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. It is very important for current families to enroll before the Open House date because at that time new registrations will be accepted, filling remaining class openings.
3. Catholic Schools Week will be held from Sunday, January 30 through Saturday, February 5. A number of activities have been planned for the week including the St. Peter's Parish Concert Series Catholic Schools Week Concert. This concert will feature our own St. Peter's students. We have also planned church tours for our students in celebration of the centennial of the church building. A Student Appreciation Day will be held and students will participate in "Move-Up" Day, visiting the next year's grade level. The Catholic Schools Week liturgy for grades 1-12 will take place on Wednesday, February 3. We are waiting to hear back from the Mansfield Symphony Orchestra about a possible performance by one of string quartets.
4. We had an issue with Mansfield City Schools not providing bus transportation to our students on Monday, January 3. Students in Mansfield City Schools were not in session that day, but their district was still obligated to provide bus transportation for our students. I've spoken with Mr. Dan Freund, superintendent of Mansfield City Schools, and he assured me that the mix-up would not occur again. Mansfield City Schools are required to provide transportation to nonpublic students when their system is closed and the nonpublic school is in session. The only time a public school district is not required to provide transportation to nonpublic students is if the public school district closes due to inclement weather and the nonpublic school remains open.
5. Our Sunday afternoon elementary school Christmas choir concert and evening Christmas band concert were both cancelled before the holidays because of inclement weather. Students, however, were able to perform part of their concert on Thursday afternoon before our vacation. I know there were a number of parents who were unable to attend this concert due to work obligations. I asked Mr. Ed Woolley to videotape the concert and to make available to parents a DVD at a minimal cost of \$5.00.

6. Jenn Fulwider, a parent of two boys in the elementary school, has agreed to represent St. Peter's School on the Safe Routes to School Taskforce Committee in the City of Mansfield.
7. As we talked about at our November meeting, I will bring with me to the meeting the Respect Pledge being used in the elementary school this year.
8. Spartan Soccer Club will be starting Spartan Soccer Swap this spring! Parents will be able to trade in Spartan uniform jerseys and shorts, which will greatly reduce the number of uniforms being ordered by the club and save lots of money for our Spartan soccer families. In order to start this project with the Spring 2011 season, we need to build a base of uniforms for trade. If parents have uniform jerseys or shorts that they would be willing to donate to this project, they are asked to bring them to the elementary and junior high school offices. Adrienne Randall is coordinating this project (419-545-5021 or e-mail address at adriennehrandall@gmail.com).