



*Celebrating the 69th year
of Catholic education
of the whole child:
spiritual, academic,
emotional, intellectual,
physical and social.*

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

*But Jesus said to them: Suffer the little children, and forbid
them not to come to me: for the kingdom of heaven is for such.*
Matthew 14

Saint Peter's Catholic School is beginning its 69th year of serving the children of the Greenville Catholic Community. We are an integral ministry of our church with approximately 560 students and a highly qualified staff of 60. Our school is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools/AdvancEd. Through the generous support of our parish we receive approximately \$23,864 in second collections that is combined with \$60,000 from the school annually to provide tuition assistance to families who would otherwise not be able to attend.

Our school has a rich history of passing on the faith with a solid educational foundation for life. Many of our alumni have gone on to achieve great things as followers of Jesus Christ. Through God's grace we have educated alumni who have become attorneys, college professors, educators, engineers, investment brokers, law enforcement officers, a Grammy and Pulitzer Prize winning musician, physical therapists, physicians, surgeons and a Catholic

Priest. This distinguished list of occupations represents only a fraction of the outstanding SPS Alumni and covers many generations. Because of the faith of their parents they were afforded a first class education at SPS.

SPS has state of the art technology and offers a rigorous Diocesan Curriculum that includes mathematics, science, language arts, social studies, Spanish, art/ computer aided design engineering, music, a strings program, physical education, service clubs and a wide range of highly successful athletic programs. Our tuition is the lowest in the area for non-public schools.

Saint Peter's School is the third largest Catholic School in the Diocese and is self-supporting but, we need your assistance. In order to stay competitive and keep this ministry at a superior level we must upgrade our facilities to accommodate our educational and parish needs. We have established a Five-Year Facilities plan that will upgrade classrooms, modify the middle school area, improve our

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athletic facilities and move the office area to the Fifth Street side of the school to better accommodate parents, parishioners and guests.

We ask that you prayerfully consider continuing to support us by volunteering, providing donations/bequests and visiting us to see our faith in action. If you need more information please contact us at the school or visiting us online at www.stpeterscatholicschool.com.

In Christ,
Joseph A. Nelson

IN THE MEDIA CENTER

Kim Jordan and Karen Farley

Thank you for helping to make our 2014 Fall Book Fair a success. It was wonderful to see so many of our SPS children and families excitedly choosing new books. We hope each new book will be read and enjoyed during this school year.



We want to thank each of the volunteers that helped make our Fair a success. From the unpacking, the daily operation, Family Night, and to the final pack-up our 44 volunteers helped make the Fall Book Fair possible.

At St. Peter's, our book fairs are the primary source of funding for the LMC. Please see the information below for our sales and earnings.

Total 2014 Fall Book Fair Sales: **\$10,932.00**

Total value of Scholastic Books purchased for the LMC: **\$716.33**

Total cash profit for the SPS LMC: **\$2,375.06**




Thank you for supporting the SPS LMC and the Book Fair!

TRIPLE P: POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM



Beth Hinson (Triple P certified instructor and SPS parent) will again offer a three-part Triple P workshop this year. There is no cost to attend this program, and she will offer both an evening series as well as a morning series. We hope you will join us for the full series, but you do not have to attend all three sessions. Each session will provide you with informative and valuable ideas to enhance your parenting experience! This is not just for parents of young children. Middle school parents are encouraged to attend.

The three sessions in the series will be:

-  The Power of Positive Parenting
-  Raising Confident, Competent Children
-  Raising Resilient Children

Evening Workshops

October 14, 21, 28 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Morning Workshops

November 4, 11, 18 from 8:00-9:30 a.m. in the Spiritual Life Center.

For More Information about Triple P in North Carolina visit <http://www.triplep-parenting.net/nc-en/home/>

Questions? Contact Guidance Counselor Karen Newton at knewton@spcsnc.net.





SUPPORT WILDCAT ATHLETICS!

Please come out and join us for some Wildcat athletics. The full athletic schedule is online at:

<http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/AProgram/>

Admission is \$4 per person, SPS students are FREE! Also, back by popular demand are our Booster Club Passes. More information about purchasing these passes will be available soon.

We would love your help for our busy day in Wildcat Athletics! If you'd like to help out in anyway please sign-up on VolunteerSpot at <http://vols.pt/YNQeG2>

HOOPSTERS

The Hoopsters program for students in K-8 will begin on Tuesday, October 7. We anticipate a larger program than last year...we had about 60+ kids last year! We will end sometime in March (details to follow). To learn more, visit the Hoopsters page on the SPS Athletics webpage:

<http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/AProgram/hoopsters.cfm>

Please fill out the online form to be officially registered as a Hoopster (one per child please!) This link can also be found on our Hoopsters page on the Athletic webpage!



HSA NEWS

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The Home and School Association meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 8:00 a.m. in the school cafeteria. The Board as well as the chair of each volunteer committee attends as well as representatives from the faculty and school administration. Any parent is welcome to attend any HSA meeting! Please join us.

Lend a helping hand.



If you shop at Harris Teeter, be sure to go to HarrisTeeter.com and link your VIP card to St. Peter's School. This needs to be done ANNUALLY for the school to benefit from your shopping! The Food Lion MVP program will no longer be donating funds to individual schools. Instead, they take grant proposals for service missions that feed the hungry. HSA is going to review this new program and determine if it could be used in other ways.



Spiritwear order forms are due Tuesday, September 30. Any orders returned afterward will be held for our spring order.

STAFF MEETING SNACKS

The Home and School Association provides snacks for the faculty and staff at their monthly meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 3:00 p.m. In the past we have raffled off a small door prize at each meeting. If you have a gift card or other small donation you can share for this fun cause, please leave it in the front office to the attention of Deyva Martin. We will make sure that the donation is raffled off to a lucky faculty or staff member!

TEACHER APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

Anyone interested in donating your time, talent, or treasure to this year's Teacher Appreciation Committee please contact Debbie Sommer dsommer17@yahoo.com.



HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Thursday, October 30, 2014

The day is fast approaching! This year's carnival promises to be a fun-filled event for kids of all ages. If you have or know of a business that would like to be involved in way of sponsorship, as a vendor or auction item donor e-mail Patrick Reid tpreid@aol.com today! Also, please be on the lookout for more information

regarding the country store, classroom games, and cake walk needs. Remember it takes many volunteers to make this event the huge success that it is every year so be ready to log in your volunteer hours. We look forward to seeing you at the carnival!

4th Street

HELP WITH DROPOFF

Are you a morning person? 4th Street drop-off could use your help! We are looking for 3-5 more volunteers to join us. We greet and help kids unload from 7:30-8:00 a.m. Join us one morning each week or just 2 times per month! Please contact Anne Kennedy at 252-364-1974 or awerrell@yahoo.com. Thank you!

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

September 29-October 2

Cogat Testing Grades 2 to 5

October 6-10

Iowa Testing Grades 3 to 8

October 14

Nut Day

October 22

Report Cards

LOST AND FOUND

LOST and FOUND is located in the closets on the back wall in the school cafeteria. These items are free to a good home. You are welcome to swap out uniforms that no longer fit your family for ones that do.





WILDCAT STUDENT ART

Mr. Bell, Art Teacher

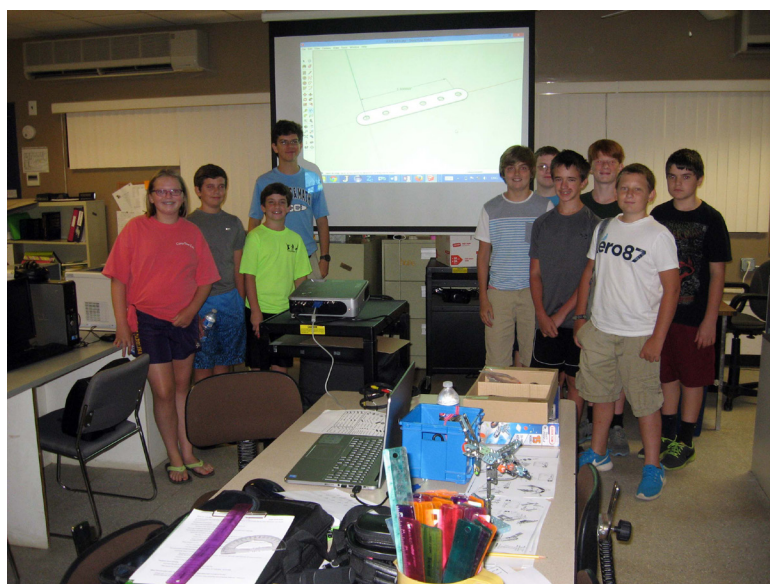


Two St. Peter's eighth graders, Ben and Ethan, served as teaching assistants during Mr. Bell's computer-aided design seminar for teachers at the Diocesan Conference in Chapel Hill on September 22, 2014. They shared their knowledge of Sketch Up CAD software with 25 teachers from schools throughout the Raleigh Diocese. The students drew doghouses and hot-air balloons, just as our sixth grade art students do at St. Peter's.



In July, nine seventh and eighth graders participated in an intensive three-day summer CAD (computer-aided design) course in St. Peter's Computer lab. The students used digital calipers to measure parts of an Erector Set airplane model and then draw them with Sketch Up software. The individual parts were placed into a "parts library" and then were combined by the students according to the assembly manual directions to create the wings, the fuselage, the tail, and the nose

section. Each student combined these sub-assemblies and successfully created an airplane. Shown left-to-right are Allie, Andrew, Matthew, John Bell IV (instructor), Ben, Paul, Drew, Ethan, Henry, and Dylan.

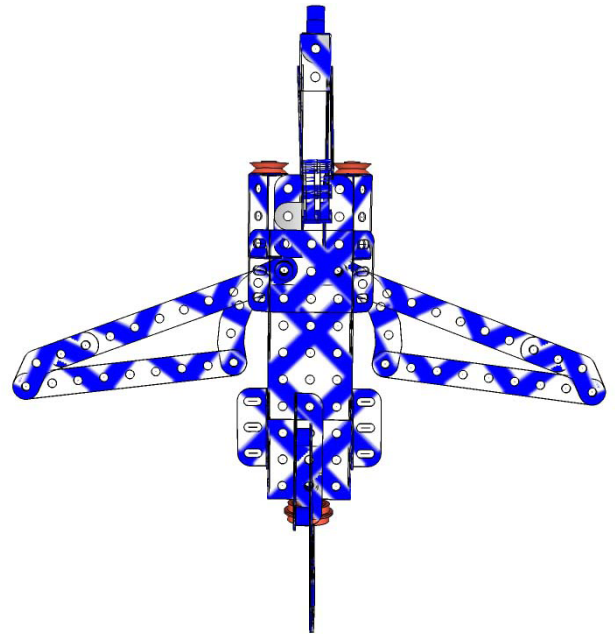
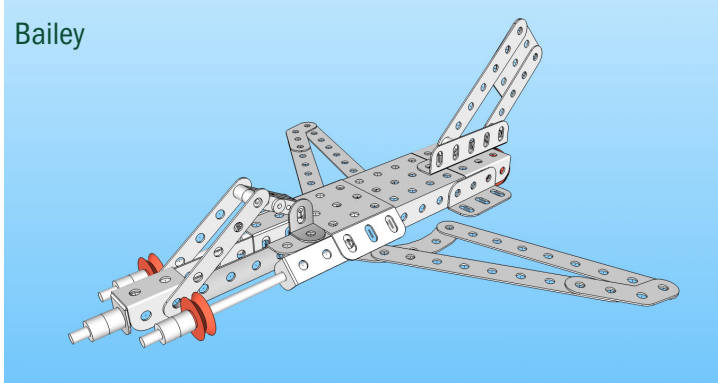


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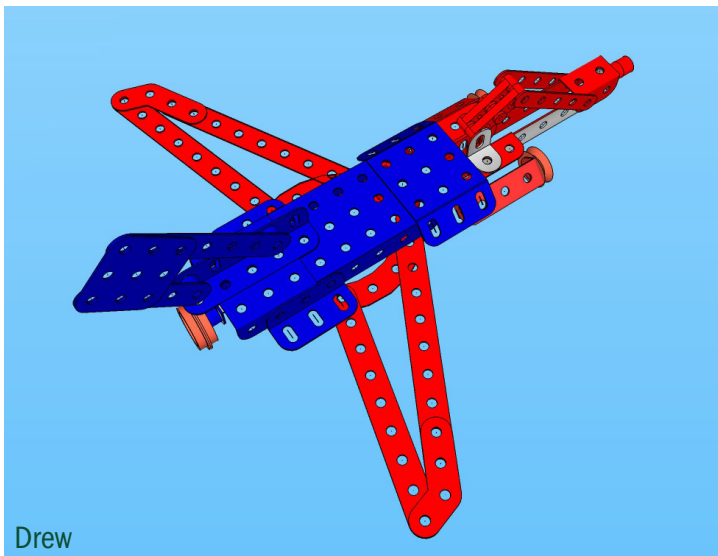
Some of the models completed by class members are shown here. Each of these jets was drawn with Sketch Up computer-aided design software from parts created by all nine members of our summer CAD class.

Bailey



Ethan

Ben



Drew

Allie

