



The Latest Word

St. Perpetua School - Weekly Newsletter

April 17, 2024

Weekly Update from Mrs. Gotchet



I am absolutely BLOWN AWAY by this community and your endless commitment and love you have for this special school. There are no adequate words that will ever fully capture the gratitude I have for each and every one of you. Our auction, both live and online, was a HUGE success. We raised the most money for our students than we ever have in recent history. Your generosity is truly unmatched. Thank you to everyone who attended, donated, sold raffle tickets, helped set-up, helped clean-up, and purchased items. I am so proud to be a part of this amazing community!

I am also eternally grateful for the extensive time and hard work our auction committee put into making this auction one for the books! The amount of work that went on behind the scenes was astronomical and the night of the auction was seamless. Thank you to this amazing team for your dedication to St. Perpetua.



We are hosting a parent education night about Parenting in a Digital World on Tuesday, April 23rd at 6pm.

We are living in a time where social media and AI are quickly evolving and our children have access to a digital world that can be scary, confusing, and unsafe. The night will focus on the following topics: privacy basics, social media, sexting and sextortion, AI and teens, and safety tips.

This parent ed night is part two of three around educating our community about how to support our students online. Our teachers received this same training at a faculty meeting and after the parent ed night, we will be inviting our presenter to present with our 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. This presentation was incredibly informative and eye-opening.

Come learn from the expert, senior DA Investigator Daryl Holcombe. Daryl is a 25 year law enforcement officer. He started his career with the Concord Police Department working as an officer and detective before moving to the Contra Costa County District Attorney Office. He is currently the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force supervisor for Contra Costa County with both local and federal agents under his supervision.

DA Investigator Holcombe brings not only a wealth of information but is a parent of a 4th

grader at Christ the King. He also serves on the CTK Safety Committee.

I HIGHLY ENCOURAGE ALL TO ATTEND THIS INFORMATIVE AND IMPORTANT EVENING!! IT IS NOT ONLY CRITICAL RIGHT NOW BUT FOR THE FUTURE OF ALL OF OUR STUDENTS AS SOCIAL MEDIA INCREASINGLY BECOMES A MAIN PART OF OUR CHILDREN'S LIVES.

[Please click here to RSVP](#). Childcare will be provided. Location will be determined based on the number of adults in attendance.

School Schedule and Calendar

Normal Bell Schedule

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays: 8:00 - 3:05pm
- Wednesdays: 9:00am - 3:05pm - Late start and mass uniforms
- Fridays: Cafe Perpetua 7:20 - 9:30am ~ unless stated as a 'No Cafe' day ~ (cash or check only). Students may wear St. Perpetua spirit-wear tops and uniform bottoms.
- [Lunch Schedule](#)

Next 10 Days

- Friday, 4/19 - Cafe Perpetua open 7:20 - 9:30 am
- Friday, 4/19 - **Fun Run** ~ a school fundraiser for Hope Solutions (during school)
- Friday, 4/19 - **NOON Dismissal / Panther House OPEN 12:00 - 6:00**
- Saturday, 4/20 - St. P's Women's Ministry ~ Retreat (see information below)
- Friday, 4/26 - [May Pizza Order Link](#) closes
- Saturday, 4/27 - St. P's Parish Fundraiser ~ Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament (see info below)

Other Important Dates

- Tuesday, 4/23 - **Parent Ed Night 'Parenting In A Digital World'**: 6pm in the Community Center
- Wednesday, 4/24 - midpoint of 3rd Trimester
- Tuesday, 5/8 - May Crowning Mass
- Friday, 5/10 - Talent Show at 1:30 pm
- Friday, 5/17 - Special Persons Day

Monthly School Calendar



Fund A Need

We did it, thanks to you! ☐☐

What a week! Thank you to our school community for all of the support at our largest fundraiser of the year. This past week has been hugely successful due to our amazing auction team and the school community for supporting the online and live auction. These funds are what allow us to bridge the gap between the cost to educate each child and the tuition charged.

- **Congratulations to our raffle winners** : Ms. Warner for the diamond necklace and Ryan Baldwin for three nights in Cabo!
- Auction and class tradition items will be passed out next week Monday - Wednesday from 2:30 - 3:30pm in the room next to the office.
- [Class traditions](#) can still be purchased, but don't delay!
- Our annual [Fund-a-Need](#) ask is \$55,000 from our goal! If you haven't donated yet, please take a moment to [hear from our children](#) about the outdoor space improvements we are seeking! Every dollar counts.



Order May Pizza Now!

We are offering Pizza on FIVE Thursdays in May. \$7 for two large slices of pizza. Make Thursdays the easiest lunch day and support our SEEDS program at the same time! **The order link closes on Friday, April 26th .**

[Pizza Order Link](#)



St. Perpetua's 2024 Young Authors Program

Our 2024 student submissions were from all grades in our school, and the variety and depth of submissions were really wonderful!



We are so proud of all of our young authors! These two photos highlight the eight First Place Winners for St. Perpetua School!

We hope that all of our students will continue to be avid readers and creative authors in the years to come!



St. Perpetua's Fun Run Friday, April 19th (during the school day)

Student Leadership sponsoring a fun run benefiting Hope Solutions. With your support, they can continue their mission of providing permanent housing and vital support services to those most in need.

Scan the QR code to the left to sponsor your favorite runner!



St. Perpetua Church Fundraiser *Texas Hold Em' Poker Tournament*

- Join us April 27, 2024
- Dinner and Free Tutorial- 6pm
- Cards Fly- 7pm

[Information & Registration Link](#)

St. Perpetua Girl Scouts

St Perpetua Girl Scout Troop 31802 registration and renewal is April 1 - June 1 for the 2024-2025 school year. Our troop is



open to all girls attending St Perpetua School. Join us for a year of service, fun, friends, faith and outdoor adventure!
Questions? Please email Sarah.S.Christensen@gmail.com

Parent Volunteer Hours ~ Log All Hours Before May 15th!

- If you have done a yard duty or crosswalk shift please enter it here: <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/st-perpetua-school>. If you are unable to remember what days you performed these hours, please search your email (either inbox or waste basket) for a reminder from Sign-Up Genius for your dates.
- If you have done volunteer assignments in classrooms, gone on fieldtrips, etc., it is your responsibility to log those hours on <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/st-perpetua-school>.
- **All volunteer hours must be logged by May 15th ~ any deficit hours will be invoiced on May 22nd for 8th grade families / departing families and June 1st for all other families.**

St. P's Women's Ministry ~ Day of Retreat Cultivating Joy

- Saturday, April 20th ~ 10am - 3pm; Community Center
- \$35 includes lunch
- To register, [click here](#)



Panther House After-School Care

Panther House after school care is available. Please take time to review the [program details](#). If you are interest in enrolling your child(ren), please fill out the [enrollment form](#) (required for all students).

Submit forms via email to pantherhouse@stperpetuaschool.org.

[May Calendar](#)

Art Explorer Summer Camps

Bumble Bee Camp: June 17-21 & July 15-19

Flower Field Watercolor Camp: June 24-28

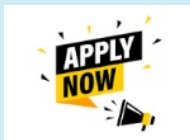


After-School Events at the Lafayette Library [Lafayette Library - After-School & Summer Events](#)

De La Salle Summer Camps

De La Salle Camps are back and better than ever for the summer of 2024! De La Salle Camps offers a wide range of

athletic camps from Football Camp to Wrestling Camp to All Sports Camp. We also will offer a variety of enrichment camps from our CSI Science Camp, to Woodshop Camp, to Band Camp. Our camps are offered to grades K-12 (depending on the camp) and are open to boys and girls. Visit our website at <https://www.dlshs.org/athletics/camps-clinics/summer-camps> for more information and to sign up!



Application for 2024-2025 School Year

[Application Link](#) for **NEW STUDENTS** interested in the upcoming school year

Contact Gretchen Trapp, our Admissions Director, gtrapp@csdo.org for more information on class availability or to set up a tour.



Volunteer Opportunities and Links

We need your help at St. Perpetua. Please review the [volunteer participation agreement](#) and sign up now to complete your hours and get to know our wonderful St. Perpetua school community.

Sign Up Now to Volunteer

- [Hot Lunch Volunteers](#)
- [Yard Duty Volunteer](#)
- [Crosswalk Volunteer](#)
- [Become an 'All Clear' volunteer](#)

[Log Volunteer Hours](#)

Important Links

- [Choice Lunch Service](#)
- [PowerSchool Login](#)
- [Family Directory](#)
- [Scrip Obligation & ordering information](#)
- [2023-2024 Parent & Student Handbook](#)
- [Faculty Directory](#)
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