

ST. PAUL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2015



Calendar:

- 2 6th to K.C. Nutcracker
- 4 MS BB vs. Chetopa 5 p.m.
Old Gym B-girls; A-girls; B-boys; A-boys
HS BB vs. Chetopa 5 p.m.
New Gym JV Boys; V Girls
PTO Basket Raffle
- 6 St. Paul Christmas Parade 5 p.m.
- 7 SP Early Season BB Tournament 6 p.m.
- 8 PreK – 12th Winter Concert
- 10 SP Early Season BB Tournament 6 p.m.
MS BB @ Thayer 5 p.m. (BABA)
- 11 FFA to Ft. Scott Speech/Food Science Comp.
SP Early Season BB Tournament 6 p.m.
PTO Chili & Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser
- 12 ACT Test Date
- 14 MS BB vs. Northeast 5 p.m.
BOE meeting 7 p.m.
- 15 HS Choir to Pittsburg Caroling
HS BB @ Uniontown 6 p.m.
- 16 HS ODD Finals
- 17 HS EVEN Finals
- 18 NO SCHOOL – Teacher Inservice
- 21- Jan 1st NO SCHOOL – Winter Break

Music Notes

The 7th-12th grade combined band will be in the city Christmas Parade on December 6th. The parade starts at 5 p.m. with soup and cocoa at the fire station afterwards for all. The Winter concert will be Tuesday, December 8th. PreK – 5th grade will be performing at 6:30 p.m. The middle school and high school choirs and bands will perform at about 7:15 p.m. There will be a short intermission between performances. On December 15th the high school choir will be at the Pittsburg MeadowBrook Mall entertaining shoppers with Christmas carols from 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. This has become a fun tradition for the students as a way to share their talents with others. At some of our home high school basketball games the combined middle and high school bands will be playing.

Basketball Season

The middle and high school basketball seasons are off to a great start. The order of play for all middle school league games will be B girls, A girls, B boys then A boys. Non-league games will be determined by the host school. The order of play for high school is dependent on the host, number of gyms, and number of players. All students are encouraged to attend games and cheer in a student section with the cheerleaders.

High School Finals

Students in grades 9-12 will take ODD class finals on Dec. 16 and EVEN class finals on Dec. 17. Students are able to opt out of a final by having the following per class:

- *an A or B semester grade
- *no more than 3 absences/tardies (A); no more than 2 absences/tardies (B)
- *no office referrals/Suspensions
- *parent & teacher permission

**No BB
Practice
Dec. 23
through
Dec. 27.**



BOOK FAIR IS HERE!

The Scholastic Book Fair is set up in the school library until Dec. 11th. The Book Fair will be open daily until 4:30 p.m. and during the Winter Music Program. Come do some of your holiday shopping or just pick up a good book or two and support our school library program!

PTO Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser time 12/10 & 12/11! To pre-order call or text Jane O'Bryan 620-687-3505. \$15/Dozen or \$8/Half Dozen. Pick up Thursday at 7 p.m. Friday night at the ballgame will be the Chili Feed.

Cold Weather Ahead!

Please send your students to school with a warm coat, gloves and hat. We will try to go outside for recess if the weather is agreeable.

In Case of School Closing

Should we need to close school due to inclement weather the district will notify everyone by School Reach. The local TV station KOAM and KLKC 93.5 radio will also broadcast our closing. Please make sure to call the office if your phone number has changed. There are times Chetopa may close and St. Paul will not so please listen carefully to the closing message to determine which campus is closed. Makeup days will be scheduled as needed.

Handbook Highlight:

Our student handbook may be found at www.usd505.org. This month's highlight is: Students will be allowed up to four (4) days of PARENT/GUARDIAN EXCUSED ABSENCE per semester, of each class, and make-up work will be allowed to be completed for full credit. Parents/Guardians must phone or visit the school by 9:30 a.m. in order for the student absence to be excused. If a phone call or visit has not occurred by 9:30 a.m. the day of the absence, the school will attempt to contact the Parent/Guardian. Absences other than the FOUR PARENT EXCUSED ABSENCES will be determined, EXCUSED OR UNEXCUSED, by the building administrator.

Counselor Corner:

- *The 6th, 8th, 10th, and 12th grades will be participating in a Community that Cares survey the first week of December.
- *Juniors and Seniors are reminded and encouraged to use their two college visits. See page 11 of the student handbook for more information.
- *Jan. 6th – SPHS Graduates will be here to share their recent college/career experiences with high school students.