



# KID KONNECTION

St. Peter's Episcopal School

Since 1969



December 2017



## Message from the Director: Janet Boutin

The sounds of Christmas carols are already filling the classrooms of St. Peter's. The children and staff are busy preparing for many wonderful activities in preparation for Christmas and Jesus' birthday.

In today's world, we are concerned about safety wherever we go. Three years ago, we were busy working to secure funds to upgrade our school's level of safety. I hope you have noticed our security camera monitoring system. It records all activity at our entry gates, sidewalks and playground. I would like to acknowledge our grant from the Hal and Charlie Peterson Foundation. We are very grateful for their support!

On **Wednesday, December 6th**, we will have our Annual St. Nicholas Toy Chapel. The children will experience the joy of giving and receiving. We are asking each child to bring a toy to help make Christmas brighter for the children of Divinity Family Services. Divinity services 300 area children that are in CPS care. **Please do not wrap the gifts.** While the children hear the story of St. Nicholas and his loving kindness towards others, they will receive a special gift. Be sure to ask them all about it when you pick them up that day.

Also, all of the teachers and students will be busy practicing for our Annual Christmas Program. On **Thursday, December 14th, at 6:00 p.m.**, our program will be held in Tucker Hall.

Please plan to attend!

Jesus  
is the  
Reason



**Ho! Ho! Ho!**

**Message from the Parent Association:  
Becky Watkins, President**

Thank you for attending our Fall Festival. It was a great time for all of our School families to socialize and have some "family fun". Thank you to all our families that donated sponsorships, prizes, lights, set up game booths, baked items, your time and much more. All the funds raised will directly benefit your child's classroom.

Please join us at our next Parent Association meeting on Friday, December 1st at 8:45 a.m. in Tucker Hall.



Happy Holidays!

**Keeping Kids Healthy**

1. Keep students home if they are sick, help us prevent illness from spreading.
2. Have children wash hands frequently with soap and water.
3. Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing. We teach them to cough into their elbow (not their hands).
4. Seek medical attention early if your child has flu like symptoms.



**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Parent Association Meeting:** Friday, December 1st at 8:45 a.m. in Tucker Hall.

**ST. NICHOLAS TOY CHAPEL:** WEDNESDAY, December 6th at 9:00 a.m. Please send a gift offering for a child helped by Divinity Family Services. We give these gifts instead of exchanging classroom gifts. Please do not wrap. It is very important for our children to learn that Christmas is the season for giving.

**WOMEN OF THE CHURCH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** Thursday, December 7th in Tucker Hall.

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING:** MONDAY, DECEMBER 11TH, IN TUCKER HALL.

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**Christmas Program:** Thursday, December 14th at 6:00 p.m. in Tucker Hall. Children will need to be there by 5:45 p.m. If you arrive early, please keep your child with you until 5:45 p.m. at which time they can join their class. Each class will have their own area. Get ready for the "shortest but sweetest" Christmas program ever!

**Early Out Day:** St. Peter's closes at 12:00 noon — Wednesday, December 20th. There will be no ASC.

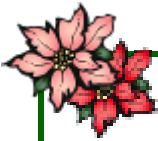
**Christmas Holiday—No School:** December 21st — January 7th. School will resume on Monday, January 8th, 2018.



**Mark your calendars . . .**

Special Grandparents Chapel will be held on Wednesday, February 14, 2018. Please start inviting grandparents to attend.

Check this website for our Google calendar and upcoming school events.



## Consumer Product Safety Recalls

**Background:** According to the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (also referred to as CPSC) in 2007, children's products were recalled an average of four times per week, yet recall information is not effectively reaching consumers. When a recall occurs, the commission alerts the media; however no further action is required to ensure that use of the product is discontinued. This means that dangerous children's products can unknowingly end up in homes, childcare facilities, or anywhere children's products are used. The Texas Legislature enacted a new law during the 81st regular session that requires child care providers to regularly check the CPSC recall list and ensure there are no unsafe children's products in the center or home.

**How do I know if a "children's product" is unsafe?** A children's product is considered to be unsafe if it has been recalled by the CPSC. View a list of current recalls and notices on the CPSC internet website at [WWW.cpsc.gov](http://WWW.cpsc.gov).

- You may sign up to receive email notifications from the CPSC by going to <https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx>.
- There are several types of notifications that you may sign up for. Licensing recommends that you sign up for recalls involving infant/child products (list name: child). You may also want to sign up for recalls involving products used for sports and recreation (list name: recreation), particularly if you have school-age children.

At St. Peter's School we are required to check recall listings regularly. Also, our classroom furniture and toys are purchased through reputable and established school supply businesses. If you have further questions, contact the School Office.

Thank you,  
Janet Boutin, School Director



## "Health and Safety"



### Severe Weather

This is just a reminder that in the event of severe weather (flood, ice, etc.) St. Peter's School follows Kerrville ISD school closings.

If there is severe weather, please tune to the local radio stations and listen for information regarding KISD school closings. Whatever KISD does, St. Peter's School will follow (if they close schools, we will too. If they delay school opening, we will follow).



### School Entry Gates

Families we need your help . . .

Please do not let "little" hands use the green release buttons or keypads. We do not want the children to know how to leave the school.

Also, close the gates slowly. This will help the magnetic device to last a lot longer.

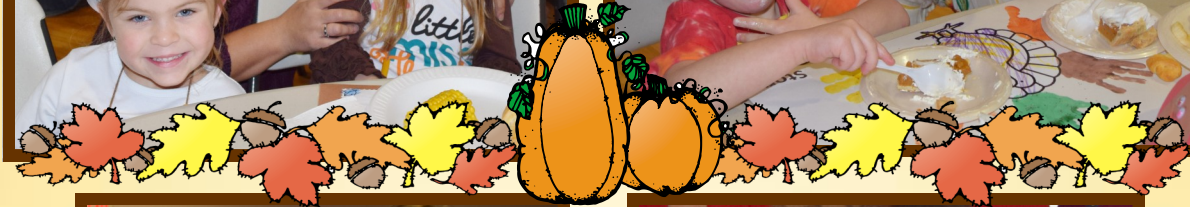
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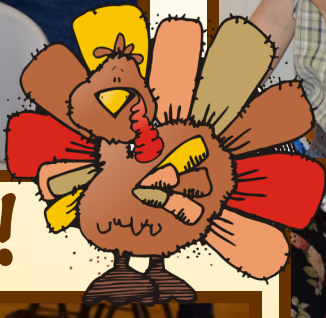
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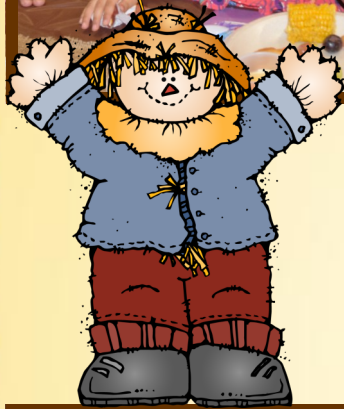


# Thanksgiving Feast

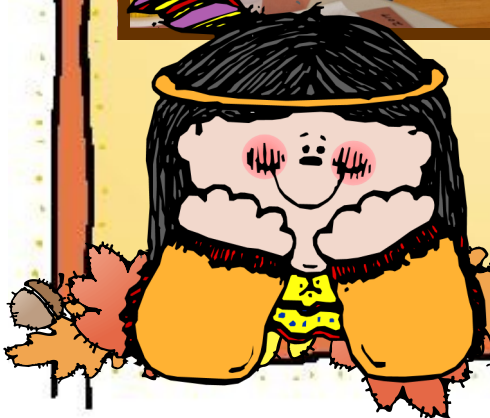


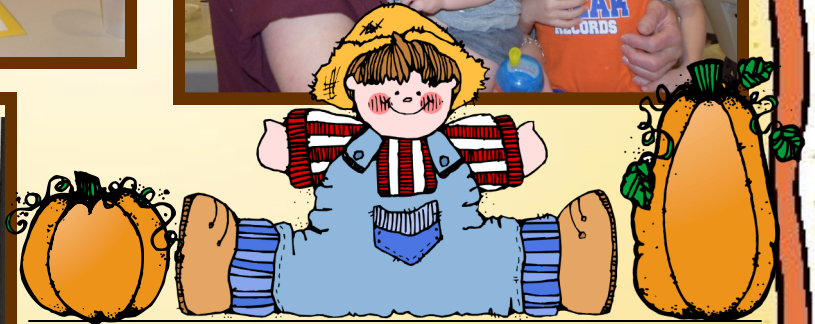
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We are thankful for our parents and teachers at St. Peter's School.





Thank you . . .  
Texas Senator Dawn Buckingham  
for visiting St. Peter's School!

