



Kid Konnection

St. Peter's Episcopal School



November 2017

Message From Our New Rector: Father Bert

Attitude is everything. I noticed that slogan on a woman's t-shirt at my son's recent soccer game. It may not be everything but, attitude certainly has much to do with how we approach the game we play, the challenges we face and our everyday lives.

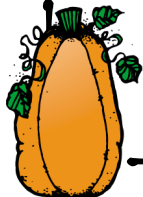
My family and I moved to Kerrville just this past August and we are most grateful for this wonderful community in which we now live and move and have our being. We have such grateful hearts for the many blessings in this new life we have in Kerrville and clearly, many others in our community have the same attitude.

Our School Board President, Mark Haufler, and I were recently having a conversation about living in the Hill Country. We talked about how it does not feel like we have to live in the Hill Country but rather, we "get" to live in the Hill Country. Moreover, we "get" to be members of the St. Peter's Episcopal Church and School Community, in the Hill Country!

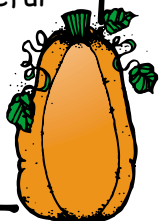
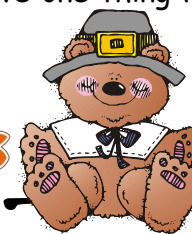
One highlight of my routine every week has to be Wednesday mornings when I lead our School's Children's Chapel. I absolutely love singing Chapel songs with our children and teaching them the most precious stories ever told; those stories from the Bible that tell one Big Story about God's love for us. It's in telling these stories and seeing your child's curiosity and amazement that I am reminded of the privilege it is to lead Chapel at St. Peter's Episcopal School in Kerrville, Texas. I "get" to tell those stories to our children.

The Thanksgiving Holiday is fast approaching and it is common practice in the Episcopal Church to give thanks to our God. It is in our Episcopal DNA to have an attitude of gratitude and there is much for which we can be grateful as members of the St. Peter's Episcopal Church and School community.

In the spirit of the imminent Thanksgiving Holiday, I will share with you a line from a poem written by the seventeenth century Anglican priest and poet George Herbert. In a poetic prayer he writes, "Thou hast given so much to me, Give one thing more, a grateful heart". Amen.



Give Thanks



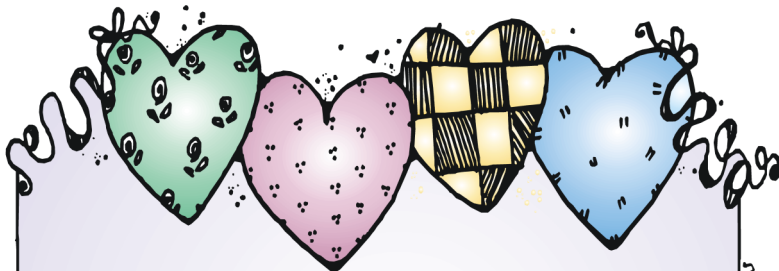


**Message from the Parent Association:
Becky Watkins, President**

The Book Fair was a fun success. A BIG thanks to the families who helped set up and work the fair and to all who supported the fair by purchasing books. We not only earned much needed funds but there are approximately 100 new books in the library and classrooms and ultimately into the hands of your children. Thank you!

The holidays are around the corner. The Thanksgiving Feast for the children is Friday, November 17th. We can pitch in to help set up, serve and clean up.

Please plan to attend our next Parent Association meeting on Friday, November 3rd.



Save The Date

**School Board Luncheon
Tuesday, February 13, 2018**

**Support our School and
Scholarship Program.**

It All Benefits The Kids!!



Important Dates

Parent Association Meeting: Friday, Nov. 3rd at 8:45 a.m. in Tucker Hall.

Daylight Savings Time Ends: Sunday, Nov. 5th.

Fall Festival: Thursday, Nov. 9th @ 5:30 p.m.

School Holiday: Friday, Nov. 10th in observance of Veteran's Day.

School Board Meeting: Monday, Nov. 13th.

School Wide Chapel (Feed the Hungry): Wednesday, Nov. 15th at 9:00 a.m. Please send non-perishable foods anytime between now and Nov. 16th.

Thanksgiving Feast: Friday, Nov. 17th, 10:30 a.m. You are invited to participate in our celebration of Thanksgiving. The children will feast on turkey, corn, fruit, etc. Your child's teacher will let you know what food item their class will be providing for the feast. After School Care will run as usual, but you will not need to send lunch.

Thanksgiving Holidays: Wednesday thru Friday, Nov. 22nd–26th. No School.

St. Nicholas/Toy Chapel (All School): Dec. 6th at 9:00 a.m. Please send a gift offering that will be shared with the children helped by Divinity Family Services. Please limit your gift items for children under 5 years of age, do not send weapons. **Also, do not wrap the gifts.** We give these gifts ~~in~~ ^{stead of} exchanging class-
room gifts.



St. Peter's Episcopal School
Celebrating 48 years
1969 - 2017/18

We are proud to announce **St. Peter's School's** legacy program:

"The Best Beginnings"

This program has been established to secure the School's future for years to come. When planning your estate, remember our School. Your donations will help to control future tuition costs, supplement scholarships, upkeep the playgrounds, assure the classrooms have educational materials and technology, help to recruit and retain high quality staff and much more.

To learn more about the "Best Beginnings" Legacy Program contact the School Office at stpeterskerrville@hotmail.com or 830-257-0257. The legacy form can be downloaded from our website: www.stpeterskerrville.com. The form is simple and does not require an attorney.

Thank you,
Janet Boutin, School Director

School Board Members 2017-2018

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Health and Safety News

As a result of House Bill 2086 that passed during the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 42 of the Human Resource Code will be amended to include Section 42.064 requiring that information about **gang-free zones** be distributed to parents and guardians of children in care at licensed child care centers.

What is a gang-free zone? A gang-free zone is a designated area around a specific location where certain gang related activity is prohibited and is subject to increased penalty under Texas law. Specific locations where certain gang related criminal activity is now prohibited include, but are not limited to, public schools, playgrounds, video arcade facilities, and day care centers.

The area that falls within a gang-free zone can vary depending on the type of location. For example, certain gang-related criminal activity that occurs within 300 feet of a video arcade facility is a violation of the new law, whereas certain gang-related criminal activity that occurs within 1000 feet of a school or day care center is a violation of the law.

How do parents know where the gang-free zone ends? The gang-free zone is within 1000 feet of your child care program. Maps may be produced for the purposes of prosecution and may be updated by the local municipal or county engineer. Parents may contact their local municipality to attempt to obtain a copy of the map if they choose to do so.

At St. Peter's School, the safety of our students is always our top priority. Contact the School Office if you have any questions. Thank you.

Janet Boutin, Director

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Parking Policy

Please use the Schools' main parking lot for drop off and pick up times.

Please do not use the few spots in front of the Church Office.

Thank you!

Dress Code

Children are expected to wear comfortable, casual, wash and wear clothing to school.

Tennis shoes

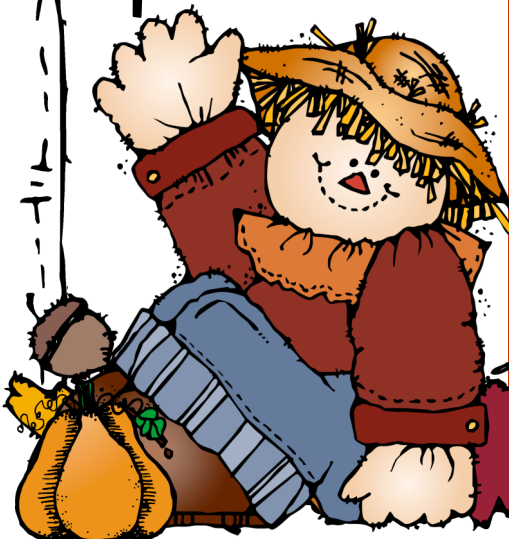
should be worn at all times. Sandals, boots, and other hard-soled shoes are not appropriate or safe for the playground. It is also recommended that clothing worn be easy for your child to get on and off by themselves. St. Peter's t-shirts are required for all off-campus activities.

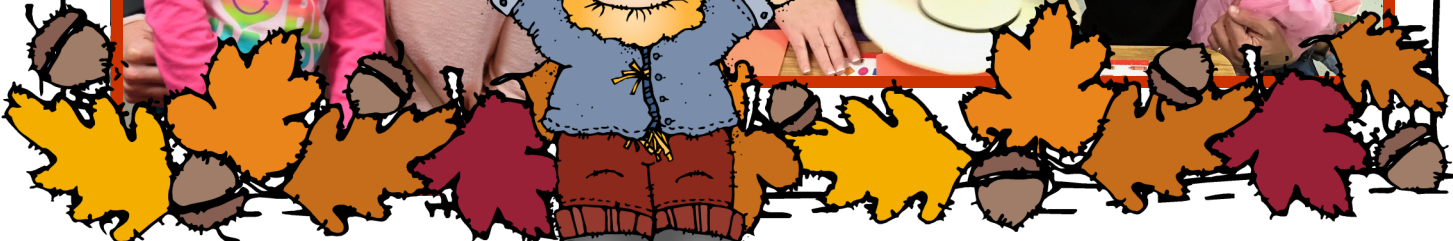
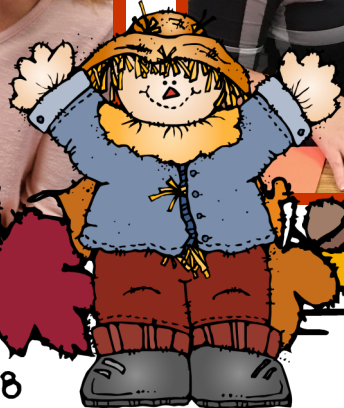


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