



Shamrock News

9/18/15

Announcements:

Reminder: Picture day is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22. We do require students to be in school uniform on this date.

Calendar Addition: The Graduation Mass and Commencement for the Class of 2016 is scheduled to take place on Sunday, May 22nd at 2:00 p.m. in the church. Please make sure to add this date to your calendar.

Homecoming Tailgate: There is a tailgate for the homecoming football game beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the parking lot at the football field at PHS this Friday. All school families are invited.

Jean Day Money:

Friday, September 11: This jean day went to the International Rett Syndrome Foundation in the name of Grace Pline and Emersyn Durant. There is an upcoming golf outing on Saturday, September 26 to raise funds for the Rett Syndrome Foundation. For more information please contact Kurt and Mara Pline.

Friday, September 18: There is no charge for this jean day since it is "Spirit Day" for homecoming.

Friday, September 25: This jean day will go to Pregnancy Services of Ionia County. Students may pay \$1.00 or they may bring in packages of diapers, baby wipes, or any other baby items to donate in lieu of paying a dollar.

Counselor Position Update: We are excited to announce that we have hired a new school counselor. Our new counselor is Valerie Hyne McCaul. Valerie brings a wealth of expertise, experience, and knowledge to the position. Welcome Valerie!

GO GREEN! GO WHITE!

Thinking Maps: This week our staff has worked on introducing the tree map to our students. Please ask your students to tell you about the Tree Map and how it can be used.

St. Patrick Parish Faith Formation Ministry is looking for volunteers with the Children's Liturgy of the Word. This takes place on Sunday's at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. It is the Liturgy of the Word suitably adapted to make it relevant to the lives and experiences of young children. It gives them the opportunity to understand the Gospel message and participate in the Eucharistic celebration at their own level. Any Confirmed High School student and adults are ideal to help with this Parish ministry. It takes little planning time and all resources will be available. The more groups there are, the less time each group needs to lead a Sunday session. If you feel a calling to help share God's word with the children of our Parish and school, please contact Lori Thelen at 517-647-6505 Ext. 419.

Emails to the Office: When sending emails to the office please include luannkinsman@portlandstpats.com and janetpung@portlandstpats.com. Thank you.

Please Donate Blood!

The St. Patrick Catholic High School chapter of the National Honor Society is hosting an American Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, September 22nd from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. To schedule an appointment to donate, please see an NHS member or visit www.redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins accepted. Appointments honored.



Calendar of Events



9/18	Homecoming Tailgate PHS 6p Var. Football vs. Tekonsha Home 7p	9/23	Var. Cross Country @ Laingsburg 4:30p JH Football vs. Litchfield Home 5:30
9/19	JV Volleyball @ Pottersville INV. 9a Comedy Night at the Wagon Wheel 8p		Var. Volleyball vs. Dansville Home 6:45p Sanchin Ryu Room 209 6p
9/21	JH Volleyball @ Fulton 5:30p JV & Var. Volleyball @ Carson City-Crystal 5:30p	9/24	JH Volleyball @ Fowler 5:30p JV Volleyball vs. Dansville Home 5:30p
9/22	School Picture Day NHS Blood Drive 10 am - 4:30 pm	9/25	Var. Cross Country @ Fowler INV 4:30p Var. Football @ Burr Oak 7p



Fall Festival 2015 is almost here!!

BREAD & DESSERTS NEEDED We'll need enough breads and desserts to feed 1000 people, so it's important that everyone help out in this area. Please drop them off at the cafeteria on Saturday between 8 am and 5:30 pm. (Please note that there will be a table at the top of the steps, in the cafeteria entrance near the church, where you can leave your baked goods.)



HOMEMADE COOKIES The ever-popular Cookie Booth will be held in the gym. All Shamrock Athletes in grades 5-12 are expected to donate homemade cookies. Grandparents and others can also bring cookies for this booth. Cookies can be dropped off at the gym or the cafeteria early on Saturday between 8:00 am and 5:30 pm. Cookies can also be left on the table at the top of the stairs.



DINNER TICKETS Advance tickets for the dinner are available from the school and parish offices. Students are not selling advance tickets this year.

RAFFLE TICKETS Raffle tickets can be dropped in the Sunday collection basket this weekend and next. On the day of the Fall Festival they can be turned in at the raffle booth, located inside the main entrance of the school. Remember---The Shamrock athletic budget depends on the success of this raffle.

- The Fall Festival Raffle normally generates about \$15,000.
- If everyone picked up their tickets and sold the entire pack, it would generate \$91,000!
- Every pack that is sold **MAKES A DIFFERENCE** in the Shamrock sports budget!
- Even if you are busy on October 11, you can still help by selling your tickets.



Trail Run/Walk₂₀₁₅

1st Annual

Franciscan Rhythms 5K Trail Run/Walk

Saturday, October 3, 2015, 9 am

Trail runners/walkers will enjoy...

- 230 acres of fields, woods and orchard
- Live music along the trail and at the finish
- Franciscan stew and fresh bread
- Photo booth
- Unique awards
- T-shirt

Entry fee: \$25, \$30 after 9/15 thru race day

T-shirt size guaranteed until 9/15

Register at www.lifeprocesscenter.org

The proceeds benefit the Franciscan Life Process Center Music Therapy Program and will stay in our community.



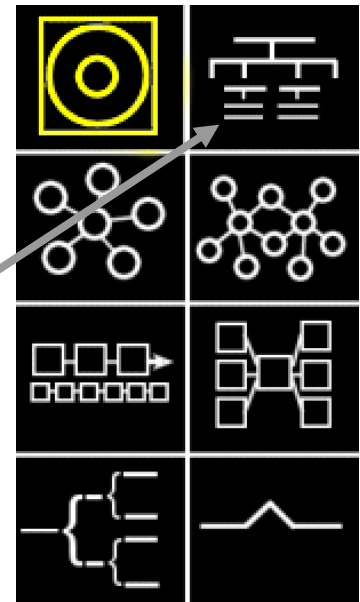


THINKING MAPS

HOME & School

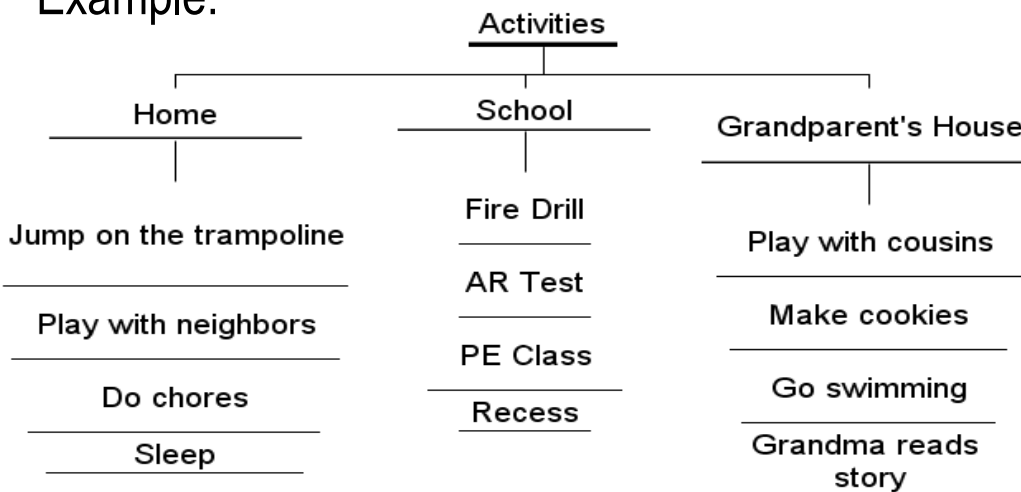
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Tree Map Classifying/Sorting



We use a tree map to classify or sort things and ideas into categories or groups. Often the tree map is used for main idea and details or showing examples of something within a category.

Example:



- Other ideas for **Tree Map**:
- Classify animals
 - Words with that begin with _____.
 - Things I like/don't like
 - Sort items by color
 - Needs/wants

With your family, create a tree map in the space below. You may select any topic for the topic of your tree map.