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## Howler - August 16

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**[PFGA WEBSITE](#) - Please visit the school website often for the latest news!**

### 2021 SCHOOL YEAR INFORMATION

As the Archdiocese releases information and guidance to schools about beginning the new school year, regarding COVID, they have also been sending out emails to those parents who have joined their email distribution list. You can find all of the latest information from the Archdiocese [HERE](#).

In addition, Mr. Argamaso has been sending out information daily regarding what to expect specifically at PFGA this year, regarding COVID safety and other updates. You can go back to find all of that information on our website [HERE](#).

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**DON'T FORGET - THERE'S ANOTHER UNIFORM "CLOSET" OPPORTUNITY TODAY!**

It's always helpful to grab a few hand-me-down uniform pieces for FREE when you get the opportunity! Our Parents' Club has the EDP Room all set up for parents to come in and "shop"(there is no cost) the **Uniform Closet** (formerly known as the Uniform Exchange) **TODAY from 1-7 pm! THE FLYER IS HERE.** The uniform pieces are "gently used" hand-me-downs which parents have been donating back to the school throughout the year (THANK YOU, PARENTS!) and are available to all parents for FREE! It is a great way to help keep these things out of landfills, and also a great way to "pay it forward!" Anyone coming in to "shop" must wear a mask.

The Uniform Closet will be set up in the Lunch/EDP room. Enter at the EDP door which is east of the main entrance on Irving Park by about 100 yards.



**ICE POPS AND DROP OFF (OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES!)**

Join Parents' Club as they host a gathering in the Convent Yard (east of the lunch/EDP/Camp room) on Thursday, August 19 from 6-7 pm! This is a great opportunity to enjoy a cool treat and some back to school mingling with old and new friends. Families are encouraged to also bring their school supplies in to drop off that evening as well.

Bags/boxes of supplies must be labeled with **your child's name and grade level!!**

The **PFGA Uniform Closet** will be open for "shopping" during the Popsicle event, and tickets for the **Queen of Hearts School fundraiser** will be on sale, as well as **Parents' Club memberships**.

- Queen of Hearts tickets are \$5 each; 5/\$20; or 8/\$30! Cash only.
  - Parents' Club annual memberships are \$20 per family and include hospitality at our monthly meetings and a fun PFGA stainless steel tumbler. (Cash or check)
  - 8th graders interested in helping to accept and organize the supplies to earn Service Hours for Confirmation should contact Mrs. Thyen at [jthyen@pfgacademy.org](mailto:jthyen@pfgacademy.org).
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### **PRE-K ORIENTATION SAVE THE DATE**

There will be a Pre-K orientation on Wednesday evening, August 18 from 6-7 pm. This will be a Parent-Only event and will be limited to one adult per family. Look for more information coming soon!

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### **USDA EXTENDS FREE LUNCHEES AGAIN THIS YEAR!**

We are once again being offered a free lunch for any of our students who would like them. Look for information later this week about how to "order" lunches this year for your student. Ordering will NOT be done on the Boonli site, but the lunch menus can still be found there once they're up. We'll send more info out soon!

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### **SUMMER PARENT VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED**

If you're interested, you could knock out some of your Parent Service Hours before school even begins! There are several opportunities coming up. Please sign up via the links below! Aside from getting some or all of your hours out of the way before school even begins, summer volunteers earn a limited-run Summer Volunteer T-shirt which no one else gets! Here are a couple of opportunities you can sign up for NOW!

- [Raffle Ticket sorting and distribution project](#)
  - Welcome Wagon Project - email Mrs. Thyen to help make our new families feel welcome! Requires driving. [jthyen@pfgacademy.org](mailto:jthyen@pfgacademy.org).
  - Lou Malnatti's Pizza Fundraiser - We're looking for someone to help lead the charge on this. It's mainly taking in the order forms, sorting through them and placing the order, then sorting through the Pizza Coupons when they come in. Contact Mrs. Thyen to offer your help! [jthyen@pfgacademy.org](mailto:jthyen@pfgacademy.org).
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### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

If you do the grocery shopping for your family, please download the **Box Tops For Education App** and start scanning your receipts right away (and, if you save your receipts, scan the old ones too)! It's so easy and the money really adds up. Our goal of \$1,000 can be easily attained if we get even half our parents on board. It's way easier than collecting the cardboard "box tops" like in the old days! [HERE'S HOW IT WORKS!](#)

If you refer a friend (neighbor, family member, coworker, or even another PFGA parent!) you both get a bonus of 10 points. [HERE IS INFORMATION ON THAT PROMO.](#) THIS IS A GREAT WAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND AUNTS AND UNCLES TO HELP SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL!

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### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR!**

Parents' Club is once again providing a VERY convenient way to order your students' school supplies for the new year through **SCHOOL TOOL BOX!** It's easy and the pricing is competitive with buying supplies from multiple different stores and schlepping the kids around to chase the sales! Simply go to the link below, plug in our school name, and order for your appropriate classroom/s! The supplies will be shipped in a nice corrugated "tool box" to your homes!

If you prefer to shop for your own supplies, you can find the lists on our website in the Parent section. See the link below:

- [SCHOOL TOOL BOX FLYER](#)
- [ORDER THROUGH SCHOOL TOOL BOX](#)
- [CLASSROOM LIST ON OUR WEBSITE](#)

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## IMPORTANT FORMS

Each year there are several forms that our office needs updated. Some of them are health forms required by the state and some are our own school forms. Please review the following requirements and return new forms by **August 15, 2021**.

Forms may be emailed directly to [INFO@PFGACADEMY.ORG](mailto:INFO@PFGACADEMY.ORG), or may be dropped off to the school during summer hours of the office (10 am through 2 pm Monday through Thursday).

**[ALL FORMS ARE HERE](#) - THIS LINK WORKS NOW!**

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## HELP RECRUIT NEW FAMILIES AND EARN A TUITION DISCOUNT!

Remember, if you are a current **OR NEWLY ENROLLED** family and you refer a new family to our school, IF they enroll and IF they stay at least through Christmas, in good standings, you will earn a \$300 tuition discount which will be credited to your January 2022 FACTS bill! If you know of anyone looking for a new school, we've got a couple of in-person group tours coming up! Or, Mrs. Thyen will be happy to give them a personal tour of the school. [jthyen@pfgacademy.org](mailto:jthyen@pfgacademy.org).

### UPCOMING IN-PERSON GROUP TOUR DATES

- Monday, August 16 from 5-6 pm
  - Wednesday, August 18 from 5-6 pm
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## BASKETBALL SIGN UPS HAPPENING NOW!

Basketball team rosters are due on 9/7, so if your student is interested, please complete the **THESE FORMS** now and return, along with a check or cash for the team fee, to the school office. Please contact Patty Cook with questions. at [pattymcgr1@gmail.com](mailto:pattymcgr1@gmail.com).

Basketball is not COED; We will be fielding separate all Girls and all Boys teams. Teams are grouped as follows:

- 4th and 5th Grade - Instructional
- 6th Grade - JV
- 7th and 8th Grade Varsity

We would like to form teams within our PFGA community. Currently, we have 7 interested students but we need more if we're going to be able to form the right groupings.

**In order to compete in our current league we also need more parent volunteers to be Coaches and Team managers.** Please contact Patty Cook if you can help in one of these roles, or if you have any questions about what all it would entail. [pattymcgr1@gmail.com](mailto:pattymcgr1@gmail.com).

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## WOLF PUPS TO RESUME IN THE FALL

We are so excited to start up our popular Wolf Pups Classes again beginning on September 8! We are switching to WEDNESDAY mornings from 9-10 and we'll still be meeting in the gymnasium for 30 minutes of music and then 30 minutes of free play. Students ages 0-4 are invited to join the group. Classes are \$5 each (pay-as-you-go) and \$35 for an 8 week session, paying in advance. This is a child AND ADULT class, not a drop off class. **[REGISTER HERE!](#)**

## FREE WOLF PUPS PLAYDATES!

We will be hosting 3 more FREE Wolf Pups playdates at the park! **[RSVP HERE](#)** for the FREE playdates.

**PFGA PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS ARE INVITED, too!**

- **PORTAGE PARK PLAYGROUND** (on Central between Irving and Berteau)
  - Wednesday, August 18 from 9-10 am
- **MERRIMAC PARK PLAYGROUND** (On Irving near Narragansett)

- Wednesday, August 25 from 9-10 am
  - Wednesday, September 1 from 9-10 am
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**QUEEN OF HEARTS - A JOKER WAS REVEALED A FEW WEEKS AGO SO WE STARTED A NEW BOARD!**  
**Our Queen of Hearts raffle pot is up over \$51,000! You could win half of that!**

Buy your tickets NOW at **Trattoria Porretta's** anytime their dining room or pick up window are open! The raffle takes place **EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT** at **Trattoria Porretta** at 3656 North Central.

- Tickets are \$5 each; Buy 4 (\$20) and you'll get one extra free;
  - Buy 6 (\$30), and you'll get 2 extras free!
  - If yours is the lucky ticket pulled out of the bin but your number doesn't hit for the Queen of Hearts, you'll still win \$100!
  - Other fun door prizes will be given out weekly!
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*Please send all submissions to the Howler by Tuesdays at 12:00PM to [info@pfgacademy.org](mailto:info@pfgacademy.org).*

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