

PFGA HOWLER - DECEMBER 15, 2022

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- **Friday, December 16 – Student Council Christmas Sweater Contest and Red and Green Out of Uniform Day**
- Monday, December 19 – Parents' Club Teacher Cookie Exchange – send in your cookies that morning
- Wednesday, December 21 – Another Red & Green Out of Uniform Day (Wear your Wolf Christmas shirt!)
- **Wednesday, December 21 – All School Christmas Program at 6 pm at St. Pascal Church (kids should arrive at 5:45!)**
- **Wednesday, December 21 – EDP will end early on Wednesday, at 5 pm**
- Thursday, December 22 – PJ Day
- Thursday, December 22 – 11:30 Dismissal (no after school EDP will be available)
- Friday, December 23 – Sunday, January 8 – NO SCHOOL for Christmas Break

SCHOOL NEWS

STUDENT COUNCIL UGLY/FANCY CHRISTMAS SWEATER CONTEST AND RED AND GREEN DAY IS TOMORROW!

TOMORROW is the Red and Green Day Out of Uniform Day with the Christmas Sweater Contest! Bring \$1 to wear Red and Green or a Christmas sweater (you may have already paid for the whole year up front, and that's fine too). You can wear any Red and Green outfit, a Christmas Sweater for the contest, or the Wolf t-shirts/sweatshirts that went home yesterday or today if you bought one! School dress code still applies, including appropriate attire, no leggings as pants, not short skirts or midriff shirts.

Next Wednesday, December 21, is also a Red and Green Day Out of Uniform Day and Thursday, December 22 is Pajama Day!

ARE YOU DOING YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING ONLINE? SET UP AMAZON SMILES AND LIST US AS YOUR "CHARITY OF CHOICE!"

If you are planning to do any shopping with Amazon this holiday season, PLEASE take a few minutes to set up Pope Francis Global Academy as your "Charity of Choice" in Amazon Smiles. It's super simple...rather than going straight to Amazon, go instead to smile.amazon.com and set Pope Francis Global Academy up as your "charity of choice." Then, when you shop, AmazonSmile will donate a portion of your eligible purchase price to our school! It's so easy to do! Even if you've already filled your cart in Amazon.com, when you switch the address to smile.amazon.com, your items should still be in your cart! Just switch before checking out and we should get the credit! Thank you!

PFGA ALL-SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IS NEXT WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21 AT 6 PM

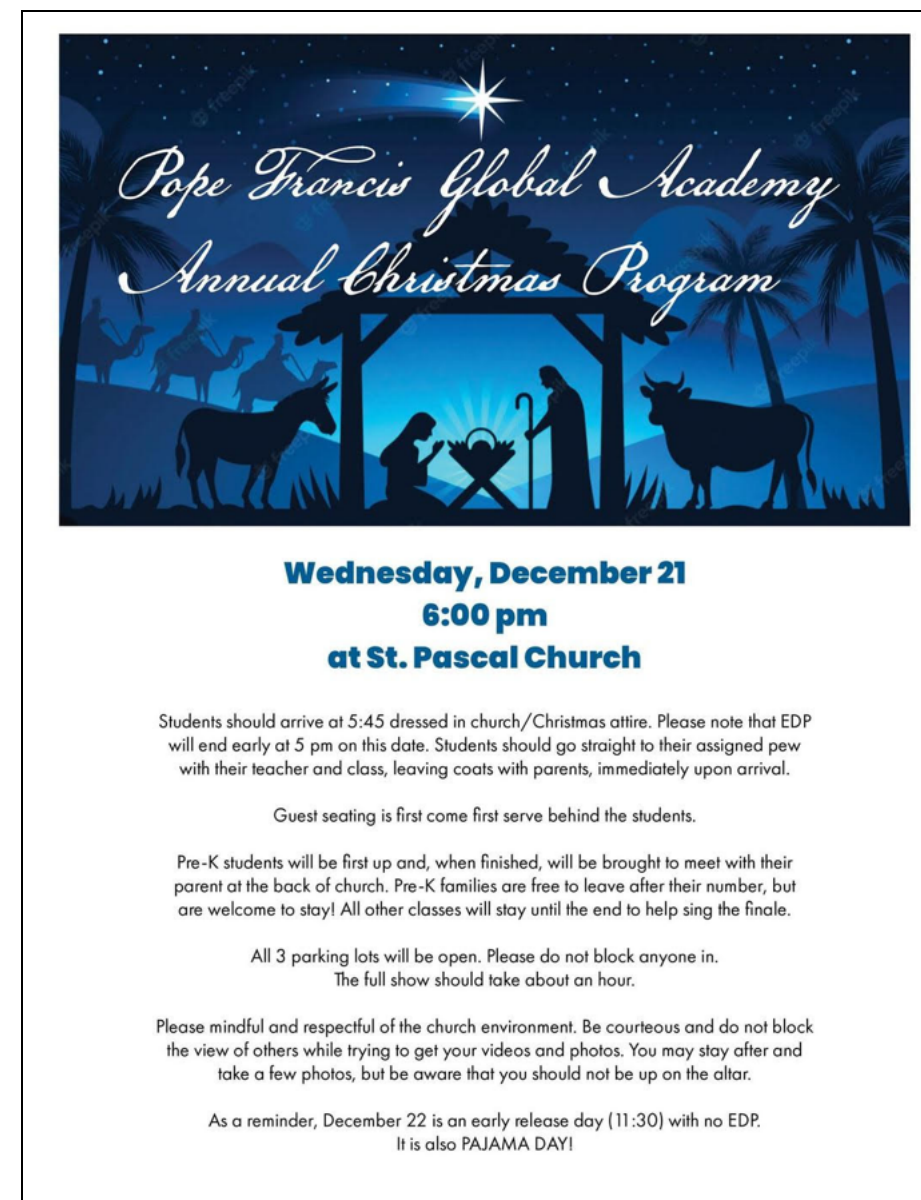
Be sure to mark your calendar that our Christmas Program will be on Wednesday, December 21 at 6 pm.

Students should arrive at 5:45 and will sit with their teacher and class toward the front of the church.

Guests may sit, first come, first served, behind the students beginning at 5:45.

All students should be in their Sunday best or nice Christmas Outfits. First graders will have costumes OVER their clothing during the show, so they can keep their attire very simple, like black pants and a solid colored t-shirt (parents will be sent details).

[ALL DETAILS ARE HERE.](#)



PARENTS' CLUB ORGANIZING A GROUP TEACHER AND STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT

Parents' Club is inviting all PFGA parents to participate in a **Group Teacher and Staff Christmas Present** being organized by our **Parents' Club**. Please read through [THIS FLYER](#) to learn how you can contribute, either online with a credit or debit card or through a cash or check contribution made through the envelopes sent home by Parents' Club a couple weeks ago. Tomorrow, Friday, is the last day to contribute to this group gift.



PARENTS' CLUB ORGANIZING THE ANNUAL TEACHER COOKIE EXCHANGE

Another fun way our Parents' Club likes to show their love for our teachers is with the Annual Teacher Cookie Exchange! Parents are invited to bring in cookies as a gift to the teachers. The PC Cookie committee sets up all the cookies and teachers have a chance to fill a box to take home. It is one of the best days of the year to be a PFGA teacher! [HERE ARE ALL THE DETAILS.](#)

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Just in time to get you fully into the Christmas Spirit, the Music Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish will be presenting their Annual Christmas Concert TOMORROW NIGHT, Friday, December 16! This is a beautiful evening featuring music from our parish musicians, some professional outside musicians, and even our PFGA students who sing with the OLR Children's Choir!

The level of professionalism in this concert is impressive and the music is sure to wrap you in the spirit of the season!

INFORMATION AND A TICKET PURCHASE LINK IS HERE. You can also buy tickets at the school office with cash any time the school is open.



TRACKITFORWARD MID-YEAR TALLY SENT HOME

Look for a sheet in today's Thursday folder that shows the volunteer hours you have logged so far for this year. We know many people have done hours but haven't yet logged them. Thank you for all of your help!

Please remember that all hours need to be completed and logged by April 30. Look for volunteer opportunities in the Howler, on the homepage of the school website, and on the Parents' Club Facebook Page.

CLUBS, EXTRACURRICULARS, AND SPORTS

VOLLEYBALL COACHES NEEDED

We've got lots of girls interested in playing volleyball, and we're still in need of a couple of volunteers to coach. Are you a former volleyball player or even just enjoy the game? It would be great to have your experience!

- Do you want to learn volleyball and help our players grow? We could still use assistants that help our head coaches!
- Do you know of someone who might want to help? Have them email Ms. Cook at athleticdirector@pfgacademy.org and I can answer questions.
- The only requirements are that you are Virtus compliant...have a good attitude when working with kids...and display good sportsmanship
- The benefits include getting your volunteer hours in, having a great experience with our students in 4th - 8th grades, giving back to the community, and exercise (lots of opportunities to get into shape working with the students!)

If you are interested and can help, please reach out to our Athletic Director, Katrina Cook, at athleticdirector@pfgacademy.org. If you and a friend would like to commit to be co-coaches, that would work too!

BASKETBALL GAMES SCHEDULE

- Saturday, December 17 - 11 am @ PFG vs. St. Mary of the Woods
- Wednesday, December 21 - 7 pm vs. SPC Gold @ St. Paul of the Cross

PICK-UP BASKETBALL LEAGUE (PARENTS AND ADULTS 18+)

When: Monday evenings, 7:30pm - 9:30pm
 Where: PFGA Gym

Parents and adult family members of students are invited to join in pick-up basketball games on Monday evenings starting at 7:30pm in the PFGA gymnasium. We will meet each Monday throughout the school year. For more information and to add yourself to email comms regarding basketball, please email Ian Barbo (ian.barbo@gmail.com).

PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

- **GREAT WOLF LODGE OUTING**
 Save the Date for the Wolves take on Great Wolf Lodge!!! Sunday, January 15, 2023. (Monday, January 16 is a day off of school in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day). Discounted room blocks and further information will be available soon!
- **PARENTS' CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE**
 For the benefit of our new families, just a reminder that our Parents' Club hosts a private Facebook Group for our PFGA Families! If you're on Facebook, stop by and send a request to join the group! The group name is **PFGA Parents' Club**
- **SPIRITWEAR SHOP IS STILL OPEN**
<https://teamlocker.schoollocker.com/#/lockers/pfga-spirit-wear-store>

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

There are many ways you and your extended family and friends can support PFGA, especially during the Holidays!

- **WIN BIG IN OUR QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE!**
 Be sure to get over there and buy your tickets NOW at [Trattoria Porretta](#) anytime their dining room or pick up window are open! The raffle takes place EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT at [Trattoria Porretta](#) at 3656 North Central.
- **THE MARKET DAY FUNDRAISER**
 Parents, friends, parishioners, and friends can order products anytime from the Market Day website, 24/7! Just like other popular eCommerce sites, customers pay on-line. Market Day accepts all major credit cards. MARKETDAY.COM
- **AMAZON SMILES**
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- **COCA-COLA GIVE PROGRAM**
 This is a relatively new program...if you purchase any Coke/Dasani products, you can quickly and easily set up an account to log the numbers found under the caps of qualified products!

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

- HighSight (Due March 25): <https://www.highsight.org/apply/>

PARISH NEWS

PARISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Enjoy the sounds of the season at the annual Our Lady of the Rosary Music Ministry's Christmas Choir on Friday, December 16 at 7 pm. [ENGLISH FLYER.](#) [SPANISH FLYER](#)

BULLETIN

Check out the most [recent bulletin](#) for [Our Lady of the Rosary Parish](#) for all sorts of good information, upcoming events, and Mass times!

ST. PASCAL WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Anticipated Mass
 4:00 PM - Saint Pascal

Sunday Masses
 8:00 AM - Saint Pascal
 10:00 AM - Saint Pascal
 6:00 PM - Saint Pascal (Spanish)

TO SUBMIT AN ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE HOWLER

Please send all submissions to the Howler by Tuesdays at 12:00PM to info@pfgacademy.org

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