





MISSION STATEMENT

St. Peter Catholic School is committed to providing students opportunities to live out the Gospel of Jesus and gain courage to act on their Catholic beliefs in community, worship, and service. Catholic teaching and values are integrated into all areas of the curriculum to develop each child's body, mind, and soul.



PHILOSOPHY

St. Peter's School believes that it is our duty as a Catholic school to educate the whole person—body, mind and soul. St. Peter's School is dedicated to providing a Christ-centered environment to instruct all areas of faith and academics. We believe that our students will be prepared to live as responsible Christians in today's world, while building on their Catholic foundation and striving for the ultimate goal of eternal life with God.



THE REASON WE EXIST...







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Events 2022/2023

† Summer Projects

- Hired three new teachers—Welcome Ms. Jenna Kockelman (5th/6th), Mrs. Lisa Bach (Preschool) & Mrs. Lisa Ferguson (Long-Term Sub Kindergarten).
- Hired Cody Olson as custodian.
- Totus Tuus held at school with Religious Education.
- **Solution** Food Wagon Friday fundraiser at Jim's Market.
- Finished licensure requirements for all-day preschool and 3-year old preschool to begin in September. Fire marshal inspection required a fire alarm system to be installed throughout the entire school and church.

† September

- Fall Kick-Off was held in September welcoming families back to school!
- Welcomed 55 students in grades Preschool through 6th Grade back to school on September 6th!
- Began a DHS licensed All-Day Preschool for 4year-olds and Half-Day Preschool for 3-year-olds.
- Marathon pledges began!
- Began work to update Fire Alarms and Smoke Detectors and update other fire codes.

† October

- Marathon was held on Oct. 7th. The students, staff, and volunteers walked 954 laps around Lake Sylvan Park. Special guest Paul Raymo did a live broadcast.
- Pancake/Sausage Breakfast was held with the 1st/2nd grade parents & students and KC helping.
- Faculty attended Faith Formation Days in Redwood Falls.
- Students in Gr. K-6 scored well on NWEA tests.
- Implementation of the "You Rock" program, recognizing students that are living in the image and example of the Patron Saint of our school, St. Peter. Teachers & students submit nominations.

† November

- Marathon Goal—The students met the goal by raising \$49,762.18! Teachers became human sundaes at the KC Auction with the help of the students.
- * KC Auction was held at the Schott's Building raising \$24,420.50 for the school. Thank you, Knights of Columbus, for sponsoring this event!
- Football Frenzy Tickets sold with weekly winners!
- Students began working on Christmas Program "Little Drummer Dude" which was performed later in December!
- Students and staff collected food and donations for the local food shelf sponsored by Catholic Order of Foresters and "Feeding God's Children."
- "Bingo for Books" was offered for students to attend at the elementary school.

† December

- Christmas Program of "Little Drummer Dude" presented at two shows including a Sunday night performance as a make-up snow date.
- 6th grade band students performed at the elementary school Christmas Program.
- Students Preschool—6th Grade celebrated their Advent Angel Party, and Kindergarten—6th grade celebrated a Birthday Party for Jesus.

† January

- Spelling Bees were held at three grade levels. Gr. 4-6—1st Zeyan Anderson, 2nd Alexis McKeen, and 3rd Kendra Rangaard; Gr. 1-3—1st Lauren Schubert, 2nd Clarence Hacker, and 3rd was a three way tie between Carson Delmonico, Leo Peterson, and Grant Schrunk; Kindergarten 1st Mckinley Flaws and 2nd Milo Ferguson.
- Catholic Schools Week—All School Mass started the week followed by CCW Luncheon. Open House and Book Fair followed Mass.

School Personnel, Cont.

Mr. Cody Olson began as Custodian in late August. He has learned and done a lot for the school and church in his first year. Mrs. Marylee Giese was our Title 1 teacher again this year. The students love going to her for extra math and reading practice. She is a great asset to our school. Mrs. Lori Rangaard began her 12th year at St. Peter's School by having full days in the office and her first time in 10 years out of the classroom. The change was good for the whole school and allowed the principal to be more accessible for students and staff.

We are blessed with each staff member and are currently looking to welcome new staff in for the upcoming school year as some positions have opened up following the school year.

Job openings can be found at www.schoolofstpeter.com.

School Financial Summary

Your support is everything...

St. Peter's School relies on three primary areas for income: tuition, fundraisers, and Church subsidies. We also rely on donations made through memorials and donor designated gifts. All these avenues of financial support help St. Peter's to ensure a quality education is possible for students while keeping tuition costs down for families. St. Peter's School is grateful for all support received for the school both financially and spiritually. New this year was an Impact Grant from Catholic Schools Center of Excellence (CSCOE) for \$10,000 to spend on something that will improve the school. The majority of those funds were used to purchase new wall mats for the gym since we had to remove the old ones to meet fire codes. The remaining funds were used for staff needs.

School Financial Summary, cont.

Scholarship Fund for families of St. Peter's School.

Since we are now a licensed preschool, we were able to apply for and receive Base Grants that help fund staffing and items for preschool. These grants helped grow the preschool's resources and also helped with general payroll for preschool staff.

Donations for St. Peter's School are appreciated any time through the year. All donations are tax deductible and can be designated as you wish or go to the general fund of the school. Projects we are currently

seeking donations for are the new walk-in cooler / freezer and

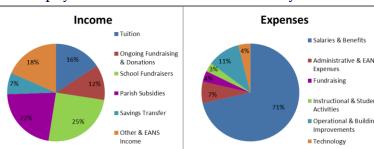
Donations can be made online at:

https://churchofstpetercanby.weshareonline.org
Follow the link above to make your donation or mail your donation
to St. Peter's School, 410 Ring Ave. N., Canby, MN 56220.

Please visit the school's website and Facebook page for school news and events.

Review of financial summary:

- † Marathon goal was met raising \$49,563!
- † Catholic United Financial School Raffle raised \$16,270 of our \$20,000 goal.
- † Tuition—Price will increase slightly and a new format for price breaks was created by the Education Committee. Families with multiple students in K-6 will get a \$500 per child discount after the 1st child. Preschool tuition remains lower than area schools.
- † Budget for next year was planned with a salary and pay increase for all staff and faculty.



Graph represents budget as of June 7, 2023. There are two more pay periods to deduct and some EANS reimbursements to add back into the income. Updated budget will be available after July 15, 2023.





School Profile

Enrollment Numbers for 2022-2023 ~ 55 Students/*31 Families

~Preschool—12 students

- ~Kindergarten 5 students
- ~1st Grade—8 students
- ~2nd Grade—4 students
- ~3rd Grade—4 students
- ~4th Grade 6 students
- ~5th Grade—9 students
- ~6th Grade—7 students

Estimated enrollment 2023-2024 ~ 50 students ~ Preschool-6th Grade



Curriculum & Instruction

- † All curriculum standards are reviewed annually at the end of the school year and after NWEA testing. An indepth review of each subject is done on a 7-year cycle.
- Teachers focused on using IXL for math, LA, science and social to help meet areas of concern after reviewing fall NWEA scores.
- Teachers met after spring NWEA test scores to develop a plan to focus more on areas of need based on testing. The teachers would like to start using vocab.com to help students. A new math series will be used in Kindergarten – 3rd Grade that will match the current one in Gr. 4-6.
- † Technology continues to be 1:1 with iPads and Chromebooks. We ordered 30 new iPads and 10 new Chromebooks to be used by students.
- † Professional Development—Teachers continue to
 - Staff attended Faith Formation Days in Redwood Falls this year.
 - Teachers did training for our newly licensed preschool as well as individual sessions for Friendzy and IXL.
- Preschool licensing webinars done by all teachers.

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School Personnel

-Passionate with a Purpose

The faculty and staff at St. Peter's School are dedicated to providing quality education in academics as well as faith formation. Last summer we struggled to find a teacher for the kindergarten classroom. We ended up with three wonderful long-term subs as well as Mrs. Rangaard and Mrs. Bette Steffen helping out in kindergarten. Thank you to Mrs. Lisa Ferguson, Ms. Cammie Weber, and Mr. Sawyer Hansen for subbing in kindergarten this year! We were fortunate to hire Mrs. Lisa Bach as our all-day Preschool Teacher. With the assistance of Mrs. Brittany Dahl, all-day preschool for 4-year-olds and half day preschool for 3-year-olds was a success with 12 students enrolled in preschool. We became licensed through DHS for St. Peter's Preschool and had a fun-filled first year. Ms. Miranda Johnson continues to thrive in the 1st/2nd Grade classroom brining new ideas and strategies to help the young students. Mrs. Lindsey Anderson taught for her 11th year in 3rd/4th grade and did many fun and new projects with them. Mrs. Jenna (Kockelman) Drietz was hired for 5th/6th grade and did a phenomenal job her first year in that classroom. There are many extra projects that the older kids do, and Mrs. Drietz did a wonderful job with the students to have them prepared for all of them. Mrs. Linda Hintz brought innovative ideas in her 6th year as Music Teacher. She had many fun activities and incorporated instruments into her lessons. Mrs. Kari Goplen completed her 16th year as Administrative Assistant for St. Peter's School before she resigned effective the end of the school year. Her commitment to the students, staff, parents, and support of St. Peter's School will be greatly missed. Mrs. Carol Antony continued to help on Mondays in the school office and helped out in many areas. The school cafeteria continued



to be a favorite place to eat for the students with Mrs. Kathy Antony cooking for her 17th year at St. Peter's School.



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live as responsible Christians in today's world..."

† January, cont.

- Mini Sessions hosted by volunteers for students to attend, play games, and do activities.
- Community Service Projects to show community support. Tie blankets and ornaments made for Sylvan Place residents.
- Minute-To-Win-It games, Bingo, Movie at the Theatre, Alumni Breakfast, Talent Show, Grandparent/Family Lunch, and All School Weekday Mass to celebrate Catholic Schools Week and our students.
- Kicked-off the Catholic United Financial School Raffle sales with a chance for a new car!

† February

- Prime Rib Supper to end CSW served dine-in and take-out style.
- Preschool & Kindergarten Round-Up was held offering all-day preschool for 4 year-olds and half-day preschool for 3 year-olds.
- Mardi Gras held with funds donated to Sarah & Steve Bednarek & Crue Bucknell.

† March

- Parent-Teacher Conferences held for all parents.
- Dental health presentation given by MN West Technical College students.
- Stations of the Cross led by different classes.
- # 4th Graders attended Ag in the Classroom.

† April

- Living Stations of the Cross by the 5th & 6th Grade.
- # Gr. 4-6 attended Kids Night Out sponsored by YAMS and the Canby High School.
- \$\mathbb{L}_1st\$ Communion practice was held in Ivanhoe with other AFC 2nd graders.
- Spring Fling held at the former Schott's Building. Food, silent auction, kids games, ice-cream floats, dancing, and socializing made for a fun night out!
- NWEA Testing taken by students in grades K-6.
- The students bowled at Lancer Lanes for PE.





† May

- Students K-6 visited the Senior Art Show at CHS.
- May Crowning was held with Sophia Full crowning Mary assisted by Jasmine Grengs. The procession was led by the 2nd graders and 6th grade boys. Flowers were presented to Mary by all students and staff.
- First Communion was held with three 2nd graders making their First Communion at St. Peter's Church on May 7th and one student at Bethel Lutheran Church in Porter on April 7th.
- Students Preschool-6 visited the FFA Petting Zoo and Tractor Show. Gr. 1-5 attended the Chemistry Reaction show at CHS.
- Field Trips were taken by all the grades. Preschool-2nd Grade went to the Children's Museum of SD in Brookings, SD; 3rd-5th Grade went to SMSU's Planetarium in Marshall and Fagen's WWII Museum in Granite Falls; 6th Grade went to St. Paul (History Museum and Capitol) and also to Valleyfair. Bramble Park Zoo brought animals to us for a small animal show in the gym.
- Award's Day was held with students getting awards for academic, activity, and physical fitness.
- Alumni Mile Run was held with Evan Weber returning to run the mile against the 5th & 6th graders. Congrats to Lucas Sterzinger for beating his time to earn DQ and Dilly Bars for the class!
- Muffins with Mom & Donuts with Dad took place on two mornings for the whole school. Pictures are posted on Facebook @StPetersCanby.
- Preschool & Kindergarten Graduation were held together on May 19th followed by cake and juice.
- followed by a short reception hosted by 5th graders and their parents.
- Field Day was held at the football field with events organized by Mr. Sawyer Hansen. Thank you to the volunteers who helped out!
- The students and staff participated in the Living Rosary out front of church.



School Climate

† Awards & Recognition

- ♣ Honor Roll for Grades 3—6 (Principal, High Honors & Honors)
- * Accelerated Reader (Gr. 1-6) Recognition of prizes and popcorn parties for meeting goals.
- "Earn Your Patch" program to recognize students individually throughout the year.
- Blue & Gold Award given to 3 students Leo Peterson, Carter Schrunk & Henry Peterson
- Presidential Academic Silver (Gr. 6) Jasmine Grengs, Sophia Full & Lucas Sterzinger
- * St. Peter's Academic Gold Award (Gr. 3-5) Amira van Wyk, Henry Peterson, Zeyan Anderson, Alexis McKeen, Leo Peterson
- St. Peter's Academic Silver Award (Gr. 3-5) Lydia Zitzmann, Kendra Rangaard, Elijah Petersen, Emma Briggs, Maleah Schubert, Aubrey Schmiesing, Sam Prokop, Audrey Delmonico & Carter Schrunk
- Knights of Columbus Mentor Award Jasmine Grengs
- Principal's Award Sophia Full
- Perfect Attendance Olive Peterson, Henry Peterson, Amira van Wyk
- Excellent Attendance Braxton Driessen & Lydia Zitzmann



Awards & Recognition, cont.

- Caderator Award Jasmine Grengs (Loving ~ Polite ~ Silly)
- AR Top Individual Reader Award:
- * AR Top Class Points Award 5th Grade Henry Peterson, Sam Prokop, Maleah Schubert, Audrey Delmonico, Amira van Wyk, Zeyan Anderson, Lydia Zitzmann, Colt Kockelman & Aubrey Schmiesing
- Phil 4:13 Physical Fitness Award Kendra Rangaard & Grant Schrunk
- Work Hard~Pray Harder Physical Fitness Award Blaise Schrunk, Leo Peterson, Clara Zitzmann, Lennox Kockelman, Lauren Schubert, Carson Delmonico, Olive Peterson, Braxton Driessen, Emma Briggs, Ethan Briggs, Lucas Sterzinger, Audrey Delmonico, Alexis McKeen, Jasmine Grengs, Sophia Full, Maleah Schubert, Zeyan Anderson, Cylus Schmiesing & Aubrey Schmiesing
- Server and School Safety Patrol Awards Lydia Zitzmann, Amira van Wyk, Maleah Schubert, Sam Prokop, Henry Peterson, Audrey Delmonico, Zeyan Anderson, Lucas Sterzinger, Jacob Sterzinger, Andols Hacker, Jasmine Grengs, Sophia Full, Ethan Briggs, TJ Bradley, Colt Kockelman & Aubrey Schmiesing
- Student Council Award Amira van Wyk, Caron Delmonico, Lauren Schubert, Clarence Hacker, Jasmine Grengs, Henry Peterson, Maleah Schubert, Sophia Full, Audrey Delmonico, Zeyan Anderson & Aubrey Schmiesing



Pictures of all award winners can be found on Facebook @StPetersCanby or at www.schoolofstpeter.com.

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Learner Performance

-Our Academic Gauge Standardized Testing-NWEA

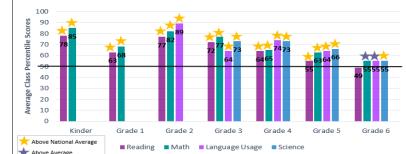
St. Peter's School gave the NWEA test to students in grades K-6 in the Fall of 2022 and the Spring of 2023. Results for all the testing sessions were evaluated by the teaching staff and curriculum adjustments were made, if necessary, to meet the needs of lower area test scores and students. Results were also sent home and shared with parents to review.

Teachers met with individual students before Spring 2023 testing to make goals based on their Fall 2022 scores. Following testing, the teachers had an indepth look at the Spring 2023 test scores and noted areas classes need more reinforcement in. Some new strategies and resources will be used next year during NWEA testing to try to help every student meet their Fall to Spring growth goals.

The graph shows how St. Peter's students did on the Spring 2023 NWEA tests. Our goal is to be above the 50 percentiles in all areas. We were successfully above the 50 percentiles in 95.7% of test taken (22/23 tests)! The students were above the National Average scores in 87% (20/23 tests) of the tests. The one area below the 50%ile was 6th Grade Reading which was at the 49%ile.

Scores above the 60 percentiles are considered High Average (61-80) and above 80 percentiles High (> 80). Out of 23 tested subject areas, we had 18 subject areas (78% of the tests) reach into the High Average or High range.

NWEA Testing Results Spring 2023 Percentile Rank Based on NWEA Norms



Learner Performance, cont.

The teachers plan to implement vocab.com to help in the Reading test scores to bring them up in all grades. A new math series will be implemented in K-3 to match that of the one currently used in grades 4-6. Science grade level materials are taught every-other year, so this year will focus on life and physical science. We will continue to use the NWEA results to improve our curriculum and find ways to meet those in need.

"Always looking ahead..."

School Strategic Plan (SSP)

—The Vehicle to our Future

The School Strategic Plan (SSP) continues to be a driving force behind projects, updates, and professional development. The SSP is reviewed by the staff, Education Committee, and Finance Council. Some implementations in the classrooms based on our SSP Objective 1 "Provide for student academic, social, and emotional needs" Strategies 1 & 3 were the teachers using Friendzy for SEL and using IXL for more math and reading practice. Strategy 4 was also advanced with our purchase of 30 new iPads and 10 Chromebooks. More Chromebooks are on order. Objective 2 "Create and maintain a positive school climate while focusing on our Catholic identity" was a focus of a newly hired Marketing & Development / Alumni Relations Coordinator. Strategy 1 focuses on family and connecting school families. Prayer Partner Families were drawn at Open House, Family of the Week was a spotlight on our Facebook page, and Staff Spotlights were sent home monthly. St. Peter's continues to work on Objective 4 "Maintain and retain high quality teacher staff" by looking to fill open positions for the upcoming school year. We feel the effects of an ongoing teacher shortage, especially in our area, but are hopeful that we will maintain our high quality expectation for teachers and learning.

The full School Strategic Plan can be found at: <u>www.schoolofstpeter.com</u> under Accreditation.

