



**From the Desk of  
Maria Cahill  
Principal  
January 6, 2021**

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

We hope that you had a restful break and a wonderful Christmas! Though it is so hard to believe, we are almost to the mid-point in the school year. Our First Semester will be coming to a close on January 29<sup>th</sup>.

Just a few items to get us started in this new year:

We would like to send a great big “Thank You” to the Chili American Legion Post 1830 Auxiliary. Through their “Give 10 to Education” program, we received a donation of a new American Flag. We are so grateful to have this community partner, and we will fly it proudly every day!

Registration for the 2021-22 school year will be opening next week for families of our currently enrolled students. This registration period will be open for 2 weeks before opening registration to new families interested in enrolling their students. This two-week period will ensure guaranteed enrollment. Information and details will be included in next week’s electronic communication.

Our first school Liturgy of the new year will be this Friday, January 8, 2021. Please ensure that your students wear their regular school uniform. Students who have PE on Friday will be taking part in lighter than normal activities, as they will not be wearing their PE attire.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Milk Program order form is included in this week’s communication. Please note the due date for the orders, as we will be unable, due to ordering processes, to accept late orders.

Have a wonderful rest of the week!

## **What's New in 2nd Grade**

By Wendy Briggs



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The second graders have been so busy! They have been working nonstop building their skills in ELA and math and are doing a fine job of it!

We have been working so hard on finding the main idea and supporting details in a variety of informational text in ELA, Science, and Social Studies. We have been using our highlighters to identify key information for quite some time now, and the students are becoming more independent with this skill. We are writing paragraphs more and more, and we are continuing our focus on adding as much detail as possible to develop strong, interesting paragraphs.

In Math, we are continuing our focus on breaking apart a number to make it easier to add. We are also working on 2-digit addition with and without regrouping.

We worked on a variety of projects for Advent, we especially enjoyed making an Advent Wreath to guide us through this special time.

We enjoyed our latest visit with Mr. Wilkie not too long ago, which involved an in depth study of fossils. The students were able to make their own fossil and enjoyed the experience.

It is surprising how fast the school year is moving along! It is truly exciting to see the confidence grow in each child!



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**Lunch Milk Order Form**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2020-2021**

Student Name	Number of Cartons Per Day	Indicate Choice 1% White Milk (X)	Indicate Choice Low Fat Chocolate Milk (X)
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

Milk for the Second Semester will be available at lunchtime beginning Monday, February 1, 2021.

The cost of milk will be \*\$20.00 (for one ½ pint carton per day) per student for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester. No refunds can be given for absences. If you would like your child to have two cartons per day, please double the cost.

Orders must be either all White Milk OR all Chocolate Milk. We cannot split orders. No milk for half-day students in Pre-K.

Please send in order form **and** payment, made by cash or check (payable to St. Pius Tenth School), **no later than Wednesday, January 20, 2021. We will not be able to accept late orders.** Payment must be submitted with order.

\*The cost for those students in our 3-Day Program is \$10.00 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester.

**You're  
invited!**

# ROBOT Building Party



Party like a **ROBOT**! Get the fun started today by bringing a friend and making new ones as you build robots!

**Thursday, January 7**  
**10:00 - 11:00AM**  
**& 5:30 - 6:30 PM**

**Virtual Zoom Party**



Families of K - 3 girls are invited to join one of our Robot Building Parties!

Build a robot with us! Parents and caregivers, you're invited, too—and it's all free. We can't wait to get to know you and share ideas on how Girl Scouts can supercharge your girl's life. Let's chat while we party! We're learning about robots, making snack-bots, having a robot scavenger hunt, and an adult & me robot challenge.

Pre-register to receive event supply & snack list.

**Pre-Register Here: [bit.ly/gswnyRobotParty1-7](https://bit.ly/gswnyRobotParty1-7)**

(Registration encouraged, but not required.)

### Meeting details:

- **Morning session**—Meeting ID: 941 0509 1825 | Passcode: 027987
- **Evening session**—Meeting ID: 951 9637 5508 | Passcode: 170819

\*Girls who join during one of these sessions will receive a Girl Scout Memory Book.

**NOTE: This is an introductory event for non-member girls and their families.**



Saint Pius Tenth School - PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

Next Monthly Meeting is on:

Monday, January 11th - 6:30-7:30 pm via ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://E2CCB->

[GST.zoom.us/j/98463081706](https://E2CCB-GST.zoom.us/j/98463081706)

Meeting ID: 984 6308 1706

Passcode: SPXPAC2021

**ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME!**

*Thank you to JJ Calnon for coordinating our December Club Challenge!*

*Please consider having your student participate in our monthly club challenges!*

*Random Drawing Scholastic Gift Certificate Winners for December:*

*Emilee Canarvis-4th grade, Ariana Gerber-2nd grade, and Jack Steimer-1<sup>st</sup> grade*

**We need more volunteers to help with our activities and fundraisers.**

**We will be sending out a volunteer sign-up form and please consider helping with one of the activities planned for the remainder of the school year.**

**Thank you in advance!**

**\*Coming this month: Saint Pius Tenth School Apparel Order  
(t-shirt, sweatshirt, hoodie, fleece zip jacket)  
-more information to follow, check Wednesday envelope-**

Any questions regarding PAC, please contact:

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**\*Check out the Saint Pius School website for PAC meeting minutes\***