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## **SS. Peter & Paul Catholic School to offer new education-based afterschool program**

*Just for Kids program to focus on enrichment, character building*

**HAMBURG, NY (August 26, 2013)** – Children attending **SS. Peter & Paul Catholic School** this year will be given the opportunity to participate in a brand new education-based afterschool program through a partnership with a local non-profit organization.

Through its partnership with **Just for Kids**, a non-profit based in Williamsville, **SS. Peter & Paul** is now able to offer its students an afterschool program that incorporates academic enrichment activities to help improve reading, writing, math and problem solving skills while at the same time helping children develop positive behaviors and attitudes. **Registration is open and is being taken online at [www.justforkidsonline.org](http://www.justforkidsonline.org).**

The program is run by **Just for Kids** and will be held at **SS. Peter & Paul**, located at 68 East Main Street in Hamburg. **Just for Kids** also runs similar programs in the Williamsville, Grand Island and Cheektowaga Central school districts.

**SS. Peter & Paul Principal Patrick Riester** explained they compared several afterschool programs offered in Western New York and chose Just for Kids because it not only offered the academic enrichment school administrators wanted for students, but also provided the fun atmosphere that parents wanted for their children.

There will be two sessions: Session A is academic programming and will offer homework help, literacy initiatives, Pages for Pizza, math games, science explorations and Kids College activities. This session runs from dismissal until 4:15 p.m. Session B is recreational activities and will offer recreational programming in the gym, multipurpose space and cafeteria. This session runs from 4:15 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Children may enroll in one or both sessions.

“The program that **Just for Kids** brings not only reinforces the teaching strategies we use in the classroom each day, but also gives our children a new perspective on what they learn. We recognize that not every child is going to get concepts the first time around. Just for Kids’ program allows for enrichment, and remediation on key concepts in a fun, interesting atmosphere,” Riester said.

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This new program is one of two brand new programs being offered by **Just for Kids** in the Soutowns, according to **Kristina Kleeh, Director of School Age Programming at Just for Kids**. “We are so happy to bring our program to children going to school in the southern suburbs of Erie County. The **SS. Peter & Paul** program, along with a similar program in each of the Orchard Park elementary schools, is the first we’ve ever been able to offer in the Southtowns,” she said.

**Parents with children attending SS. Peter & Paul can register their children for the program by visiting [www.justforkidsonline.org](http://www.justforkidsonline.org).** The program offers several payment options for parents based on the number of days their children are enrolled.

Just for Kids is a 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit organization, fully licensed by NYS and was Buffalo State College’s “2012 Employer of the Year.” For more information on Just for Kids programming, please call 639-8500 or visit [www.justforkidsonline.org](http://www.justforkidsonline.org).

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