

# From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster

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**APPLE OF MY EYE:** Congratulations to the first "Apple of My Eye" winners of the school year: Declan Ryan, Marion Haggmark, Martha Brookreson, Angela Speranza, Nicholas Sheldon, Greg Meditz, Dominic Perry, Austin Lesher, Bianca Sheldon and Julia Yogis.

**FACULTY IN-SERVICE DAYS:** There is no school for our students on Monday and Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our faculty will be participating in a two-day Archdiocesan – sponsored in-service at St. Michael's in Levittown. There will be no CARES each of those days.



## HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION:



See flyer in this week's communication for more information.

## FROM THE ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR:

### CALLING ALL SJR FAMILIES TO "SHARE THEIR TALENTS"

All of us have been blessed with special talents or interests that we enjoy doing and sharing with others. The school from time to time may have a desire to utilize your talents to benefit the students. For example, in the past we have had parents interested in organizing a chess club, board game club, robotics' club, and a tumbling class after school. These types of programs have generated much support from the student and have been well attended. We are hoping we can add a few programs of this type or any new program that would be of interest to parent organization. On average the programs have been about 4 weeks in length & are held immediately after school for 1 hour.

Please take a few minutes to complete the "Share Your Talents" form included in this week's communication. Please return the form at your earliest convenience. This form will be kept confidential. As always, we thank our families for all they do to support SJR!



**PRETZEL AND JUICE ORDER:** Payment for milk/juice/pretzels is due by Friday September 29. The order cannot be processed without payment. Thank you!

**Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge Results:** Congratulations to all those who participated in logging in their minutes online this summer! We read a total of 240,130 minutes school wide!

Grade 5 came in 1st place for the top homeroom with 64,850 minutes!  
Top reader in the whole school goes to Philip Buckleman with 16,398 minutes!  
Congratulations to ALL the top homeroom winners! They each received a gift certificate to spend at our upcoming Book Fair this year!

**Grade 1**

Bargerhuff, Brookreson, Buckleman, Butler, Dixon, Ferrello, Ferrese, Junod, Kostrzewski, Kulp, McKinney, Mooney, O'Neill, Serpico, Sorge, Sheriff

**Grade 2**

Garofalo, McGettigan, Sheldon, Stefanik

**Grade 3**

Black, Brookerson, Hill, Mazzo, Moyer, McGovern, Nucera, Roman, Shaeffer, Shimp, Speranza, Tkach, Wade

**Grade 4**

Aguilar, Bargerhuff, Brennan, Ewald, Ferrese, Fuller, Golebiewski, Junod, Moritz (Grace and Caroline), Peleckis, Shaeffer, Sheldon, Tulio, Warga, Wilkcoz, Wood, Yogis

**Grade 5**

Bargerhuff, Brennan, Brookerson, Buckleman (Philip and William), Corey, Ferello, Horan, Jacobsen, Kearney, Kiss, Ostek, Sanford, Sorge, Speranza, Stefanik, Tkach, Traae, Zook

**Grade 6**

Black, Brookerson, Chesla (Kaylee), Edwards, Ferello, Ferrese, Funk (Albert and Michael), Gozdan, McDonnell, Panepresso, Peddicord, Sigda, Striano, Townsend, Wade, Waltrich, Yogis, Yoos

**Grade 7**

Alexander, Briggs, Buckleman, Byrne, Clift, Davies, Fuller, Golebiewski, Klumpp, Lyons, Mazzarella, Newlin, Radecke, Shaeffer, Shepherd, Slubowski, Sorge, Speranza, West, Williamson

**Grade 8**

Anziedo, Jorgenson, Kreuzburg, McDermott, McDevitt, Stefanik, Studley, Tulio, Wade (Alyssa)



**OKTOBERFEST:** As part of St. Robert's parish Golden Jubilee year, Oktoberfest will be celebrated on Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed to help set up for the event. Sign-up sheets may be found in the narthex of the church after the weekend Masses.

- **Polish Foods:** Volunteers are needed to help cook the Polish food for the Oktoberfest. Cooking will take place on Friday, October

13<sup>th</sup> from 8am – 4pm in the kitchen in Monsignor Marley Hall. If you are able/willing to assist, please contact Mrs. Dottie Prior at [priors8@yahoo.com](mailto:priors8@yahoo.com) or 215-260-3603.



**THANK YOU!:** The SJR CYO board would like to thank everyone that participated in our 15th annual golf outing. A special thank you to all the business and families that sponsored holes. We look forward to seeing you next year. For pictures from the event please visit our Facebook

page; [www.facebook.com/sjrcyo](http://www.facebook.com/sjrcyo).

**JUST A THOUGHT:** Earlier this week, Father Justin Fulton posted the following on Facebook. (Father Justin is a priest of the Lincoln diocese who served at St. Robert's parish as a deacon.) I thought it deserved our attention:



Let's add a little bit of God, civility, and peace into the Facebook stream today.

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- 1) Only for today, I will seek to live the livelong day positively without wishing to solve the problems of my life all at once.
- 2) Only for today, I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behavior; I will not criticize anyone; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.
- 3) Only for today, I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy, not only in the other world but also in this one.
- 4) Only for today, I will adapt to circumstances, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.
- 5) Only for today, I will devote 10 minutes of my time to some good reading, remembering that just as food is necessary to the life of the body, so good reading is necessary to the life of the soul.
- 6) Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it.
- 7) Only for today, I will do at least one thing I do not like doing; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.
- 8) Only for today, I will make a plan for myself: I may not follow it to the letter, but I will make it. And I will be on guard against two evils: hastiness and indecision.
- 9) Only for today, I will firmly believe, despite appearances, that the good Providence of God cares for me as no one else who exists in this world.
- 10) Only for today, I will have no fears. In particular, I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful and to believe in goodness. Indeed, for 12 hours I can certainly do what might cause me consternation were I to believe I had to do it all my life.

---Pope John XXIII Daily Decalogue
















Might I add, I think these "only for today" goals might be well attempted **every** day?

***SJR SCHOOL:***  
***Focused on Faith and Learning***

September  
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November  
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# October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Neumann Scholarship Examination - Archbishop Wood HS 12:30pm	2 No school for students! Bucks County In-Service Day	3 No school for students! Bucks County In-service Day	4 Feast of St. Francis of Assisi Wendy's Wednesday	5 Young Rembrandts	6 First Friday - Mass 9am Service Corps Installation Chick-fil-a lunch	7
8	9	10  Firefighters visit Pre-K - Grade 2 Wendy's Wednesday	11	12  Young Rembrandts	13  Centennial Anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima Mexican lunch	14
15  Oktoberfest St. Robert Parish Forty Hours - St. Joseph Parish	16  Forty Hours - St. Joseph parish	17  Conclusion of Forty Hours - St. Joseph parish	18 Wendy's Wednesday	19  Young Rembrandts Bake sale for Hurricane Relief	20  Hot Sandwich lunch	21
22  Sacrament Sunday - St. Joseph Church	23	24  Tea with Me 10am - 11am Chick-fil-a Spirit Night	25 Wendy's Wednesday	26  Young Rembrandts	27  Pasta lunch Trunk or Treat (5:30pm - 7pm)	28  Grade 5 & 6 Halloween Dance
29	30  12noon dismissal Parent Conferences: 1pm - 8pm	31  Parent conferences Happy Halloween!				

# Home and School Association News and Notes



For those that missed the General Meeting last week, a few highlights:

- We are still accepting HSA Membership dues. Send \$20, Attn: HSA Membership to the school with your family name, students' name and grade, and phone number to gain membership.
- We need more volunteers! As of today, less than 25 volunteer sign-up sheets have been filled out and returned. (See Weekly Communication for form)
- SJR Students are smart! Mrs. Jaster shared Terra Nova results. Our students outperformed locally, regionally, and nationally in almost every grade and category!
- Megan Hill shared some of the feedback from the Survey Monkey that went out in the beginning of September. We are committed to using that information to become a better Home and School Organization. Look for a follow up survey in the months ahead.
- There is a new incentive structure for Box Tops! Any family that turns in 200 Box Tops For Education (down from 350) will receive a dress down day at the end of the school year. Also new this year: Any family that turns in 100 Box Tops before January 19<sup>th</sup> will get to participate in "Crazy Sock Day" during Catholic School's week at the end of January.
- Last year's 5K RACE raised over \$18,000 for our school—a special thanks to Kathy and Bob Williamson and the 5K committee for all their hard work.

KidsStuff Coupon Book sale continues through October 5<sup>th</sup>—please consider buying one (or more) to help raise money for our school.

Please fill out volunteer sign-up forms as soon as possible. See attached form.

Attention Facebook users: join us at ***SJR Home and School Association*** for updates, questions, pictures and more!



# SJR HSA VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET SEPTEMBER 2017

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Youngest Child \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Room Parent Assist the teacher as needed; Coordinate Christmas & end of year gifts.(6<sup>th</sup> grade only)

\_\_\_\_\_ Trunk-or Treat  
October 27th Assist in the planning and coordination of event. Judging costumes, getting prizes, parking, music, food, and anything associated with this fun Halloween party!

\_\_\_\_\_ Bingo Bonanza  
January 26 Assist with one or more aspects of the event (set up, clean up, planning, sponsorships, decorating, food)

\_\_\_\_\_ Teachers'  
Luncheon Prepare lunch for teachers throughout the year  
\_\_\_\_\_ October 26 \_\_\_\_\_ December 13  
\_\_\_\_\_ January 30 \_\_\_\_\_ May 8

\_\_\_\_\_ Scrip Sales Sell scrip after mass when you can  
St. Joseph \_\_\_\_\_ St. Robert \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Helping Hands \_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson  
Assist with providing meals or other help for school families in need

\_\_\_\_\_ Band Help Coordinate refreshments for December and spring band concerts

\_\_\_\_\_  
Yearbook

Assist with taking photographs at various SJR events  
Assist with assembling yearbook

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lunch Monitor

Volunteer as needed at lunch (12:20-1:00)

\_\_\_\_\_  
5th & 6th grade  
Halloween Dance  
October 28

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Chairperson  
Assist chair(s) with planning, set up, and chaperoning the  
Halloween Dance for 5th and 6th grade

\_\_\_\_\_  
Little Elf Shop  
December 13

Assist with set up, crafts, shopping, or clean up

\_\_\_\_\_  
Father/Daughter  
Dance  
February 17

Assist with decorating, set up, clean up

\_\_\_\_\_  
Recycle Challenge  
April 20

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson  
Assist with collecting and weighing papers as they are dropped  
off during morning arrival

\_\_\_\_\_  
Walkathon  
November 10

Help plan and coordinate annual walkathon, set up and clean  
up on the day

\_\_\_\_\_  
5K  
May 18

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Chairperson  
Assist with organizing event (collecting donations, contacting  
sponsors, choosing prizes, set up, etc.)

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Talent Show  
April 14

Help organize acts and refreshments

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Family BBQ  
May 11

Assist with planning, cooking, set up, clean up

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8th Grade  
Graduation  
Dance June 8

**Seventh grade parents** - work as a team to plan, decorate, and organize dance for graduating class

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8th Grade  
Graduation &  
Social June 13

**Seventh grade parents** - Plan, decorate, and organize social following the graduation ceremony

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Hot Lunch

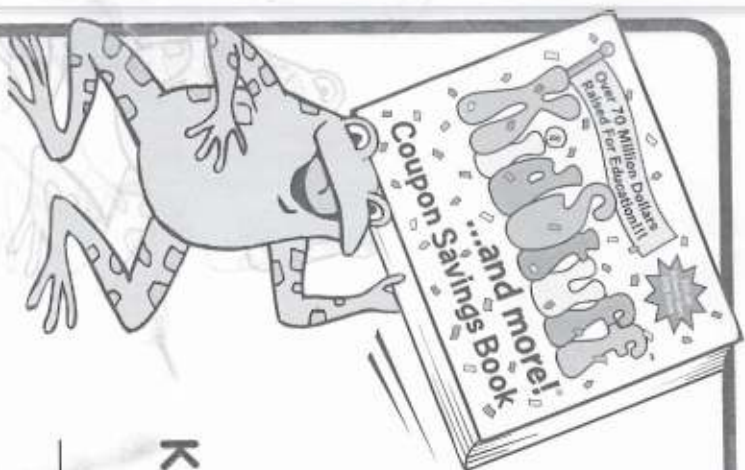
Help coordinate the orders of, and the distribution of hot lunches on Fridays throughout the school year.

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Phillies Home Opener

Help throw a baseball themed party for the kids in early April to Celebrate the start of the Phillies season and the beginning of Spring!





**\$SAVE! \$SAVE! \$SAVE!**

Use just a few coupons and save more than the \$25 cost of the book!

POST! TWEET! EMAIL! Family, friends and coworkers will ♥ saving \$\$\$ with KidStuff...Great for gifts too! KidStuff offers 30 valuable editions!

**HOP TO IT!!!**

KidStuff book orders & payment are due by:

*Thursday*

*October 5, 2017*

**OUR SCHOOL EARNS 50% OR MORE PROFIT...THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!!!**

# ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE'S



## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

- WHEN:** SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2017
- WHERE:** ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH  
856 EUCLID AVE. (OFF PALOMINO DRIVE)  
WARRINGTON
- TIME:** 12:00 NOON TO 6:00 PM



*Ethnic Food & Drink ~Children's Games & Activities~Live  
Entertainment~Vendors & Crafts~Raffle Baskets~Magician~Karate Demo  
for Kids~Baked Goodies~50/50 and more....*

Lots of Fun for all Ages!  
Festival will be held on St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Grounds  
***For directions visit: [www.saintrobertwarrington.org](http://www.saintrobertwarrington.org)***

## Service Corps Newsletter

September 20th -First Meeting 12:40

September 27th- Representatives are chosen from 7th and 8th grade

### October

October 6th- Service Corps installation at 9am  
Mass

October 15th- Oktoberfest

October 18th sign-up for All Saints Day Flowers

October 19th- Bake Sale for Hurricane Relief

8th grade- cookies 7th-grade brownies 6th-grade  
cupcakes 5th grade- misc.

October 25th- confirm sign-ups

October 30th - Hand-out flowers Deliver Flowers  
from 10/30 to 11/2



Friends of the FRG  
Designer Bag Bingo  
Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
6:00p.m.-10:00p.m.



Proceeds will support military families in our community

**Where:** VFW Post 6493  
645 Louis Drive  
Warminster, PA 18974

- \*Tickets are \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 at the door) for 15 games of Bingo
- \*Raffle basket tickets & extra game cards will be available for purchase
- \*Doors open at 5:00p.m.
- \*Bring your favorite snacks or visit the kitchen for some tasty treats
- \*Beer, wine and soda will be available for purchase

FOR TICKETS CONTACT: Anita Fleming at [Anitaflemingfrg@aol.com](mailto:Anitaflemingfrg@aol.com)  
Jenny Pappas at [jenny.pappas.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:jenny.pappas.ctr@mail.mil)

**Plan a Girl's Night Out and Reserve a Table!**



The Friends of the FRG's mission is to aid and assist the military and its families from the region surrounding the Horsham Air Guard Station.  
The Friends of the FRG is a 501(c) (3) charitable organization.