

From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster

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APPLE OF MY EYE: Congratulations to the latest "Apple of My Eye" winners of the school year: Brynn Brennan, Hailey McDevitt, Colin McGettigan, Joshua Wood and Grace Shepherd.

CONGRATULATIONS! : Last Sunday, the SJR CYO awarded \$1000 scholarships to Will Studley and Haley Stefanik. Congratulations to these scholar-athletes!



SING, AMERICA, SING!: Tomorrow evening, our students will present "Sing, America, Sing"! The performance begins at 7pm. Children are asked to arrive at 6:50pm.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: We have received word from the Office of Catholic Education that this will be the last year for Perfect Attendance certificates to be issued by the Office. After reviewing this long-standing policy, it was decided that eliminating this practice would be best for the school environment. This would encourage students who are sick to remain home and not come to school in order to earn a Perfect Attendance certificate.



HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION: See flyer in this week's communication.

FIELD DAY/FAMILY BBQ: Our annual Field Day/Family BBQ is a week away. Volunteers are needed to assist with running the games and assisting with the picnic lunch. Please notify the school office if you are able to assist in any way. Too, please be sure to return your RSVP for your family regarding the lunch. We want to be sure that we have sufficient food for all!



YOUNG DISCIPLES SQUAD: The young disciples squad are selling chances to win a "Basket of Summer Fun". Chances are 1 for \$1.00 or 3 for \$2.00. All proceeds will be donated to help the children of Haiti.

TERRA NOVA RESULTS: The Terra Nova results from our annual standardized testing are coming home today. I hope to have a parent information meeting in early June to review results.

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING YEAR: In planning for the coming school year, we are building in an extra day to be used in case of a snow day. Therefore, we will be returning to school on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. A tentative school calendar for the year is contained in this week's information.

SCRIP VOUCHERS: All pink, orange, and grey vouchers need to be turned into school by June 30th. See flyer in this week's communication.

GENTLE REMINDER: There will be no school for the students on Friday, May 25th and Monday, May 28th. Enjoy the long weekend!

JUST A THOUGHT: This weekend, as we gather with family and friends, let's remember this image:



SJR SCHOOL:
Focused on Faith and Learning

Academic Calendar 2018 - 2019

Tuesday, Sept. 4: First day of school for grades 5 - 8 (full day), Pre-K and Kindergarten families visit, Back to School Night for grades 5 - 8 beginning at 7PM

Wednesday, Sept. 5: First day of school for grades 1 - 4 (full day), Pre-K and Kindergarten families visit, Back to School Night for grades Kindergarten - grade 4 beginning at 7PM

Thursday, Sept. 6: Full day of school Pre-K through grade 8

Friday, Sept. 7: Full day of school Pre-K through grade 8, First Friday Mass 9am
Water Ice/Dance Party in PM

Monday, Sept. 10: CARES program begins

Friday, Oct. 5: First Friday Mass 9AM - Installation of Service Corps Officers/Representatives

Tuesday, Oct. 30: 12noon dismissal for Parent Conferences - Conferences begin at 1PM

Wednesday, Oct. 31: Parent Conferences. No school for students

Thursday, Nov. 1: Feast of All Saints - holyday of obligation - no school for students

Friday, Nov. 2: First Friday Mass 9AM

Sunday, Nov. 4: Sacrament Sunday - St. Robert Church 1pm - 3pm

Wednesday, Nov. 21: 12noon dismissal for Thanksgiving break

Thursday, Nov. 22: Thanksgiving Day - no school

Friday, Nov. 23: No school - holiday

Thursday, Dec. 6 - Marks close

Friday, Dec. 7: Bucks County Teachers Professional Development Day - no school

Monday, Dec. 10: Band Concert - 1:15PM and 7PM

Thursday, Dec. 20: Christmas Pageant - 7PM in church

Friday, Dec. 21: 12noon dismissal for Christmas break

Wednesday, Jan. 3: Classes resume, Welcome Back!

Friday, Jan. 18: Professional Development Day - no school for students

Monday, Jan. 21: Martin Luther King Day - holiday

Sunday, Jan. 27: Catholic Schools Week begins! Open House: 9:30am - 1pm

Wednesday, Jan. 30: Open House 9am - 12noon, Family Luncheon in school 12:20pm

Friday, Feb. 1: First Friday Mass 9AM/School-wide assembly

Monday, Feb. 18: Presidents' Day - holiday

Friday, March 1: First Friday Mass 9AM

Wednesday, March 6: Ash Wednesday Mass 9AM

Thursday, March 14: Marks close for the second trimester

Friday, March 15: Faculty Retreat Day - no school for students

Friday, March 22: Report Cards distributed/Terra Nova Testing begins

Monday, March 25 - March 29: Terra Nova testing continues

Friday, April 5: First Friday Mass 9AM

Wednesday, April 17: 12noon dismissal for Easter break

Tuesday, April 23: Classes resume

Friday, May 5: First Friday Mass 9AM

Friday, May 24: School holiday

Monday, May 27: Memorial Day - no school

Thursday, May 30: Ascension Thursday - holyday of obligation - no school

Friday, May 31: Field Day/Family BBQ

Friday, June 7: First Friday Mass 9AM/Graduation Dance 7pm - 10pm

Monday, June 10: Pre-K Closing 10AM - Full day for Kindergarten - Grade 8

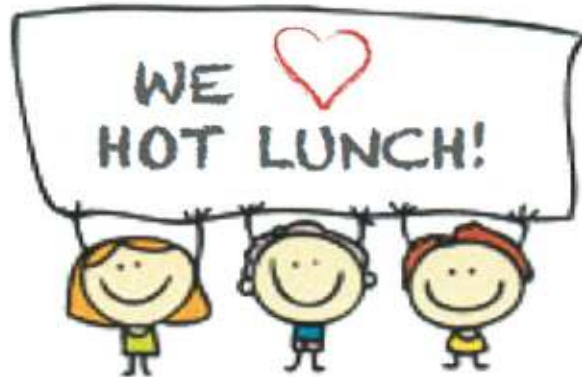
Tuesday, June 11: Kindergarten Closing 10AM, Full day for grades 5 - 8 only

Wednesday, June 12: Full day for grades 1 - 4 only, Grade 8 Graduation Mass 7PM

Thursday, June 13: Professional Development Day - no school

Friday, June 14: Closing Mass 9AM - Dismissal 10:30AM

Home and School Association News and Notes



WE NEED YOU!!

Our students love the Hot Lunch program we have at SJR. The 2 amazing volunteers we've had for the last several years, Michele Studley and Diana McDonnell, are retiring from their post at the end of this school year and we need 1 or more parents to volunteer if we want hot lunches to continue in the future. If you have any interest in being the hero of the school that saves the hot lunch program, please contact Megan Hill and/or Amy Dixon as soon as possible. The current hot lunch team is happy to pass on their expertise to whomever takes over.

June 14th - Join us for a fun day together with SJR families to celebrate another great school year.

Price - \$28/ticket – includes amusements and waterpark
Money due to Jenn Horan by **Monday, June 4th**

****See this week's communication for more details and registration****



Please follow the SJR Home and School Association on Instagram (for all you non-Facebookers) so you can get the latest news and announcements. You can find us at SJRHSA.



Basket of Summer Fun!

The Young Disciples Squad is selling chances to win a "Basket of Summer Fun!". Chances are 1 for \$1.00 OR 3 for \$2.00.

Chances will be sold during lunch on Tuesday, May 29th until Friday, June 1st.

All proceeds will be donated to help the children of Haiti.

Thank you for your support!



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ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

SCRIP RECALL!

PAPER VOUCHERS ARE EXPIRING
JUNE 30TH, 2018.

VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO
SJR FOR CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT OR
A DONATION ACCOUNT.

ALL NEW SALES WILL BE
ELECTRONICALLY RECORDED AND
TRACKED.

VISIT WWW.STJSTR.ORG > PARENTS TAB
> SCRIP PROGRAM FOR MORE
INFORMATION.



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INTRODUCING

MOBILE SCRIP

VOUCHERS/REBATES EARNED
ELECTRONICALLY AND REPORTED TO
SJR.

PURCHASES CAN BE MADE ON THE GO
USING MYSCRIPWALLET APP.

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INFORMATION.

SJR's Annual Day at Dorney!

Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom

June 14, 2018

Join us for a fun day together with SJR families
to celebrate another great school year.

Price - \$28/ticket – includes amusements and water park

**Children 2 and under are free

Hours – 10am – 6pm

**Does not include food – If you choose to bring your lunch/dinner, it will need to be eaten outside the park.
No outside food is permitted. Purchasing food there is always an option.

Money due to Jenn Horan by **Monday, June 4th**

Checks should be made out to SJR HSA (SJR Home & School Association)

Email or call with any questions

jhoran@cbsd.org

215-499-6034

Send order through Matthew – 5th grade

Family Name _____

of tickets requested _____ x \$28 Amount enclosed _____

Tickets to be sent home with _____ Grade _____

★ NEW THIS FALL! ★

SJR Thespians Club



CALLING ALL:
ACTORS
SINGERS
DANCERS
ARTISTS
STAGE CREW

GRADES K-8 WILL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.
STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-8 WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO
AUDITION FOR LEAD ROLES.

THE SJR THESPIAN CLUB WILL MEET 1 DAY A WEEK
AFTER SCHOOL FOR 6 WEEKS IN THE FALL.

IF INTERESTED IN JOINING, PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO
LAUREN KULP C/O KEEGAN KULP GRADE 1.

NAME: _____ **GRADE:** _____



**SJR Thespians Club Presents:
Wizard of Oz Jr.
Saturday, November 17, 2018**

Involvement

Registration to be sent out first week of school for K-8

Auditions for main roles (Grades 6-8) held on Wednesday, September 12 at 3:15 pm

Interested students for lead roles must sign up for auditions prior. Students will need to sing a few verses of their song as well as a few lines from the play that will be distributed prior to the audition.

Commitment - 6 weeks

\$20 per student to register - includes t shirt, costume, help with sets, rehearsals

Lead characters will receive a script

Costumes - DIY with extras

Rehearsals will take place on Wednesdays from 3:15 - 4:15 pm in Cafeteria

Rehearsals: October 3, 10, 17, 24, November 7, 14

Dress Rehearsal: Wednesday, November 14

Show: Saturday, November 17

Lead Characters for Audition (Grades 6-8)

Dorothy

Aunty Em

Scarecrow

Tin Man

Cowardly Lion

Wicked Witch

Good Witch

The Wizard

Group Ensembles (all grades K-8)

Munchkins

Towns People

Monkeys

Finale - all

Opportunities for Everyone - need parents to lead committees

Stage crew - lights, sound, props, sets

Art crew - paint props, sets

Photography crew - for headshots (Mr. Jaster), mini bios for each lead role, make boards for advertising

Ushers - for day of show

Program - can sell love lines, promote at church

Advertising

Church bulletin

Table in back of church closer to show - sell tickets with cast members

Communication Envelope

Social Media

Tickets Sales - \$5 a ticket, cast members to sell tickets, form to be given

Proceeds to benefit the SJR Thespians Club

Kiss Booth at show - sell kisses to cast members for \$1

Sneak peek to class mates week of show - cast members to wear shirts week of to school

SJR Hawk Host Program

We are very excited to introduce to you the launch of the SJR Hawk Host Program!

Here at SJR, we have an incredibly close community of students, faculty, and families. We realize that our current students and parents are the bridge to our future SJR families, and we want to embrace the opportunity to create a wonderful first impression of our school with the help of our parents! Your personal connection and first-hand experience at SJR will be a valuable resource in the upcoming school year.

The Hawk Host Program will give our faithful parents of SJR a chance to guide our future families through an interactive tour of our school. A school tour is often the first step a parent takes before making a commitment about their child's education, and we want to prioritize this opportunity to create the best possible experience! Much like our buddy families are just a phone call away, our Hawk Hosts will volunteer at various times throughout the year to provide our future parents with a school tour. They will answer questions while offering a personal and knowledgeable experience showcasing our school, our educational and extracurricular activities, as well as provide our new families with other fun facts about SJR!

Our vision for the new program is to meet our first group of Hawk Hosts this spring so that we can implement our tours at the start of the 2018-2019 school year. There will be a brief orientation on Wednesday, June 6 at 7:00pm for those who are interested. The time requirements for a Hawk Host will be minimal, and your commitment to give these tours will be on an as-needed and as-available basis. Other than giving just a bit of your time, our Hawk Hosts should have a child(ren) in grades 1-8 and most importantly, bring a smile and enthusiasm to each individual experience!

If you are interested in volunteering some time as a Hawk Host, please fill out the information below and return by May 9th to Kristi Brennan, c/o Keira Brennan (Gr.5).

Name: _____

Email: _____

Names/Grades of children at SJR: _____

General availability (days, times, etc.): _____

Sing America, Sing!

Thank you for purchasing shirts for your children. We are asking the students to wear the following pants and shoes for the show:

PreK and K gym shorts and sneakers

Grades 1 – 4 khaki shorts and white sneakers

Girls Grades 5 – 8 jeans and sneakers

Boys Grades 5 – 8 jeans and sneakers

Thank you for your support and cooperation.