

From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster

February 22, 2017

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APPLE OF MY EYE: Congratulations to the latest students who were caught doing something good: Julia Newlin, Lauren Scott, Joey Sorge, Ava Waltrich and Benjamin Wood.

ASH WEDNESDAY: Next Wednesday, March 1st marks the beginning of Lent, Ash Wednesday. The school community will be attending the 9AM Mass.



HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS:



- **Chick-fil-a Spirit Night:** Tonight is our monthly Spirit Night! Come and support SJR at Chick – fil – a in Warrington.
- **Doughnut Day:** All doughnut orders are due tomorrow, February 23rd. Students who order a doughnut will receive the treat next Tuesday morning.
- **2nd Annual Talent Show** will be taking place March 25th whether your talent is singing, dancing, karate, magic, telling jokes, playing an instrument, etc., we want you to share it with us. Each act should be no longer than 3 minutes in length. You can do it as an individual or a group. Auditions will be taking place at lunchtime in a few weeks so start practicing and stay tuned.
- **SJR Lafferty Drive** will be held March 7 & 8. **ABSOLUTELY NO SALES PITCH**
 - You simply show up at Lafferty Chevrolet located at 829 W. Street Rd. Warminster and take a test drive. They will give us \$10 per driver on Tues. Mar. 7 and \$15 per driver on Wed. Mar 8. Ask a neighbor, friend, or family member. Simply say you are there to drive for SJR. It's always fun to drive something new!
- **Father/Daughter Dance Photos:** We are in the process of developing the formal pictures taken at the Father Daughter Dance. The pictures and commemorative frames will be sent home with the students within the next two weeks.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION RETREAT: Our First Holy Communion retreat will take place on Friday evening in Monsignor Marley Hall beginning at 6:30PM.



CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT SURVEY: The annual Continuous Improvement Survey is available online through March 3rd. More information about this survey is contained in this week's communication. Thank you in advance for your participation!

YEARBOOK SALE: Our annual yearbook sale will take place begins this week and runs through Monday, March 6th. Yearbooks will cost \$20.00. We are also asking your help in getting pictures for inclusion. If families would download the free app: ReplayIT app or go to www.replayit.com Order forms were included in last week's communication.





FROM OUR ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR:

Exciting News – Bucks Happening 2017!

Nine Days to Add to Our Votes – Voting Ends at Midnight on March

3rd Spread the News to Family & Friends to Vote SJR is Currently in Third Place

Let us have fun and continue to watch our votes add up! Please take a quick minute to vote! Just log into the front of the schools website: www.stjstr.org. Click the 2017 Happening Logo, and register your vote. There is one vote per email address. If you have more than one email address, please cast a vote with each email! Facebook email addresses are not valid. You can also vote by accessing the Bucks Happening Link below. Voting ends at midnight on March 3rd. Thank you for taking the time to make every vote count! Also, please share our website or Bucks Happening Link with all those you know so they can support us with their vote.

Thank you for all you do to support our school.

<http://bucks.happeningmag.com/happeninglist/2017-kids-private-school/>

JUST A THOUGHT: The recent warm temperatures remind us that spring is on the way. As we approach the beginning of Lent next week, the weather is one more reminder that a season of New Life will follow the time of quiet preparation.

















My To-Do List for Each Day

- *Count my blessings.*
- *Speak gently.*
- *Love much.*
- *Laugh a lot.*
- *Let go of what I can't control.*
- *Work hard.*
- *Be productive.*
- *Just breathe and be kind.*

SJR SCHOOL:
Focused on Faith and Learning

MARCH 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			 1 ASH <small>WEDNESDAY</small> Ash Wednesday - 9:00 Mass	 2 Young Rembrandts	First Friday Mass - 9AM Pizza lunch	
5	6	7	 8 Wendy's Wednesday Stations of the Cross 2PM	 9 Young Rembrandts	Pasta lunch	
First Sunday of Lent	Continuous Improvement Survey closes					
 12 Daylight Saving Time begins! Second Sunday of Lent	13	14	 15 Pre-K Donuts with Dad Wendy's Wednesday Stations of the Cross 2PM	 16 In-View testing Young Rembrandts	 17 Happy St. Patrick's Day! No school - faculty retreat	
19	20 Terra Nova testing (gr. 2 - 7) Report Cards distributed	21 Terra Nova testing (gr. 2 - 7)	 22 Terra Nova testing (gr. 2 - 7) Wendy's Wednesday Stations of the Cross 2PM	 23 Terra Nova testing (gr. 2 - 7) Young Rembrandts Tea with Me 7pm - 8pm	24 Terra Nova testing (gr. 2 - 7) Hoegie lunch	 25 SJR Talent Show
Third Sunday of Lent						
26	27	28	 29 Grade 7 Visitation Day Wendy's Wednesday Stations of the Cross 2PM	 30 Confirmation - St. Robert's parish 4pm 12noon dismissal	 31 March Madness - SJR style Pizza lunch	
Fourth Sunday of Lent						

Dear Parents,

I write to say thank you to those families who have completed this year's Continuous Improvement Survey and to encourage our remaining families to take part in this very important part of efforts to maintain a school culture focused on continuous improvement.

Here is the link to the survey:

<https://www.research.net/r/aops-pf>

As reminder;

- The survey will be open until March 3, 2017.
- All information gathered is secure (you don't have to provide your name).
- Since parents from each elementary school and high school in the Archdiocese will be completing the survey, we ask that if you have students at both the high school and elementary school level you complete the survey at each school.
- For data accuracy, we ask each family to complete the survey once.

In the coming weeks, I will update you on our school response rate.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Many thanks for all that you!

Mrs. Debbie Jaster

From Our Director of Advancement: Kathy Williamson

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Schools Student Aid Application

Submission Deadline: March 31, 2017

The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program provides tuition assistance to qualified families through the generosity of businesses contributing under guidelines provided by Pennsylvania legislation. Catholic school families can apply who have students enrolling in grades Pre-K through 12th and are residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Income guidelines for 2017 are listed below. Families with these income guidelines are strongly encouraged to submit application:

Number of Dependents	Maximum Income
1	\$91,620
2	\$106,890
3	\$122,160
4	\$137,430
5	\$152,700 (add \$15,270 for each additional dependent)

Meeting EITC Guidelines does not guarantee every family tuition assistance. Grants are based on the funding available and the family's ranking among all qualified applicants. We ask that you take advantage of this opportunity to receive tuition assistance. All awards will be applied towards school year 2017-2018.

Applications should be submitted no later than March 31, 2017. To apply for tuition assistance through SmartAid, please visit: www.SmartAidForParents.com. The St. Joseph/St. Robert School Code is 91062. You will need your 2016 tax return completed for the application process. For additional questions, please contact Kathy Williamson at kwilliamson@stjstr.org.



ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

February 14, 2017

Dear Parents,

In preparing our budget for the upcoming school year, the following tuition rates have been approved for the 2017 – 2018 academic year.

Grades 1 – 8 (Supporting Parish Members)

	Total Amount	Monthly Payment
One Child	\$3300	\$330
Two Children	\$6350	\$635
Three Children	\$7155	\$715
Four Children	\$8160	\$816

Non-supporting parish members will be charged an additional \$520 per child.

Out of Parish families: \$6000

We continue to make every effort to conserve our financial resources while still providing a quality Catholic education to our children. In addition, our sponsoring parishes continue to provide a scholarship to each child enrolled in our school. The actual "cost per pupil" projected for the current year is \$4700 with the current tuition rate of \$3000/student.

We encourage our families to make regular use of the Scrip program as a means of saving on tuition. Too, families in need of assistance are encouraged to speak with their pastor about their situation. Finally, families are encouraged to make application to the EITC program for further tuition assistance.

Many thanks for your continued understanding!



ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

Tuition Rates for the 2017 – 2018 Academic Year

Paid in ten (10) monthly payments beginning July 1, 2017.

There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$150 per student due at time of registration.

Early Childhood Program

Pre-K and Kindergarten

	Total Amount	Monthly Payment
Full Day	\$4150	\$415
Half Day	\$3500	\$350

Non-parish members

	Total Amount	Monthly Payment
Full Day	\$4350	\$435
Half Day	\$3700	\$370

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Four Children	\$8160	\$816

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Mrs. Deborah Jaster, Principal

January 25, 2017

Dear Parents,

We are already making preparations for the upcoming academic year. To do so, we ask that you inform us of your intentions to return for the 2017 – 2018 school year by Friday, January 27th?

Upon receipt of your intent to return, you will receive your tuition contract. Completed tuition contracts with \$150 registration fee per child are due by Friday, February 26th.

Thank you in advance!

Student Name

Returning to SJR for grade

We will not be returning to St. Joseph/St. Robert School for the coming academic year.

Student Name

Reason for leaving



Celebrate Fat Tuesday!!

Donut Day is Tuesday, February 28st & The Home and School Association is treating to donuts!!

Donuts will be served at morning snack time.

All orders are due by Thursday, February 23rd

Happy Mardi Gras!!

*** Send a completed slip for **each** child through Maura Yoos ~ Grade 5 ***

Name: _____ Grade & Room: _____

Vanilla frosted: _____
Chocolate frosted: _____
Glazed: _____
Vanilla Cream filled _____

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HSA MARCH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Stocks Pound Cake – orders will be taken from March 1 – 13. Look for order forms in next week's communications.

Lafferty Drive - will be held on Tuesday March 7 (\$10 per driver) and Wednesday March 8 (\$15 per driver). This fund raiser costs nothing except 5 minutes of you time. Absolutely no sales pitch at any time!

March 24 there will be dance after school for our younger students. This will be open to kindergarten through grade 4. It will take place from 3:15 – 4:45 in the gym.

SJR's Got Talent - Our 2nd annual talent show is scheduled on Saturday March 25th beginning at 7pm. Auditions will take place on March 9/10 during lunch. Don't forget to sign up in your homeroom.

We are working on a Spirit Wear sale for the spring. We will keep you posted as the details come together.

LIFE@SJR.YEAR

2016 – 2017

YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE!!!!

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS MONDAY, MARCH 6th

Includes yearbook and spring supplement

ONLY \$20.00

I would like to order a yearbook for:

Student/Grade: _____

Student/Grade: _____

Student/Grade: _____

Student/Grade: _____

Please send cash or check made out to SJR HSA to Kim George c/o Hannah George, grade 4. If you have any questions please email me at kimanngeorge@msn.com



SJR'S GOT TALENT

Do you have a talent you would like to share with the SJR community? Perhaps you sing, dance, play an instrument, tell jokes or do karate. Whatever your talent is don't be shy! Let us help you put a spot light on it!

Individuals or groups may sign up to perform a 3 minute or less act. Sign ups will take place in homeroom until Feb. 24
Parents may also email speranzahome@gmail.com

Acts will be reviewed during the lunch periods to make sure they are appropriate and within the 3 minute time limit.

Introducing St. Joseph/St. Robert's Talent Show

When: March 25, 2017 from 7 pm to 9 pm

Where: Monsignor Marley Hall

Dessert and Coffee/Tea will be served.



Crab Cake Sale

Proceeds Benefit
our Capital Campaign
St. Robert Bellarmine



*Building On Our Faith ...
Expanding Our Legacy!*

Featuring "Famous Smith
Island Crab Cakes"

Smith Island Crab Cake 3.25 oz.

"Made Fresh Daily" - can be frozen

Contains: Crab, Eggs, Wheat, Soy Milk
Super tender Colossal Jumbo Lump Crab meat,
Spiced to Perfection with Mild Cream Sauce
"No Filler... All Meat"

Crab Critter Appetizer Qty of 50

"Made Fresh Daily" - can be frozen

Contains: Crab, Eggs, Wheat, Soy, Milk
One bite and the palate demands another
Great for Parties, Oven ready to heat and serve

Order Deadline:

Sunday
March 12th

- Drop Off in back of Church after any Mass, in collection basket or at Parish office
- Drop off at Prep

Pickup Date:

March 18th/19th
After all Masses
in Msgr. Marley Hall

**Capt'n Chucky's
Crab Cake Co.**
"Crab With An Attitude"
(610) 355-7525



Standard Items	Quantity	Price	Amount
Crab Cakes (Pack of 4)		X \$22.00 =	
Crab Cakes (Pack of 6)		X \$32.00 =	
Crab Cakes (Pack of 12)		X \$62.00 =	
Crab Fritters (50/bag)		X \$15.00 =	
Crab Soup (Frozen Quart)		X \$10.00 =	
Make checks Payable to: St. Robert Parish		Total Due:	
Name: _____			<input type="checkbox"/> Cash
Telephone: _____			<input type="checkbox"/> Check #
Email: _____			

Questions: Donna Heeney 215.343.9433 donnaheeneydre@gmail.com