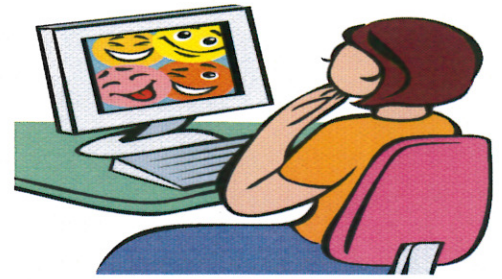


From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster

March 8, 2017

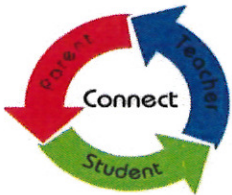
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APPLE OF MY EYE: Congratulations to the latest students who were caught doing something good: Brylee Briggs, Dylan Carr, Philip Buckleman, Brynn Brennan and Ethan Edwards.

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS:



- **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:** Today is the last day of our Lafferty Drive. SJR will receive \$15/driver. Please ask a neighbor, friend, or family member to drive for SJR.
- **Stock's Pound Cakes** ~ orders due Friday, March 10th. See flyer in this week's e-folder.
- **JOE CORBI PIZZA PICK-UP:** Pizza pick-up is Thursday, March 9th 3:30 to 5:30 in the gym.

FROM OUR ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR:

Deadline: March 31, 2017 Archdiocese of Philadelphia Schools Student Aid Application – Submission

If you meet the EITC income guidelines, please apply for possible tuition assistance. Information has been detailed in previous newsletters and the application is available by visiting: www.SmartAidForParents.com



Run About Catholic Education (R.A.C.E.) Training Begins Wednesday, March 15th

The SJR 5K R.A.C.E. will be held on Friday, May 19th. This event is a 5K run, or a 2 mile fitness walk. Also, a 1K run is available for the kids. Never run a 5K before or have you run many? Please consider joining our training runs! Training will be held every Wednesday evening at 8:30 PM, beginning March 15th. Training will include running or walking the course. The group will begin from St. Robert Bellarmine Church parking lot. All levels of runner/walker are encouraged to join the training. No individual will be left behind! It is a great way to kick off a healthy new year! For questions, call Bob Williamson at 215.896.5180 or email kbwrs96@gmail.com. See flyer in this week's e-folder for more information regarding the R.A.C.E.



SJR CYO: SJR CYO is looking for softball players. We need more girls to field a Varsity and JV team this season. Please register at www.wagdogs.com Registration will remain open through March 15th. Thank you, SJR CYO Athletic Board

HERSHEY PARK TICKETS: See order form in this week's e-folder for discounted Hershey Park tickets. Orders are due by Friday, April 21st.

SUMMER SOLUTIONS: Your child worked hard all year long. Make sure that progress sticks. Give your child the advantage of Summer Solution. The flyer in this week's e-folder tells you how to order. School Code is SJR18976. Orders are due by May 7, 2017.

ROTARY CLUB OF WARRINGTON PANCAKE BREAKFAST: See flyer in this week's e-folder for more information

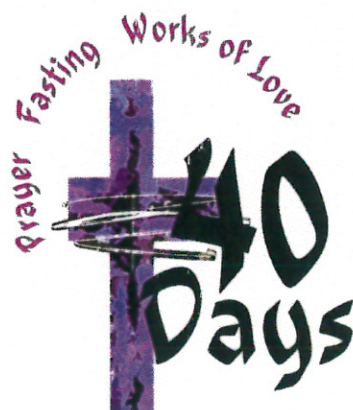
JUST A THOUGHT: During the season of Lent, we often make some "resolutions". Recently, I came across some suggestions from Pope Francis. I think they are worthy of our consideration during Lent – and beyond!



Pope Francis' Words
Do You want to Fast this Lent?

Fast from hurting words and say kind words,
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude,
Fast from anger and be filled with patience,
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope,
Fast from worries and trust in God,
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity,
Fast from pressures and be prayerful,
Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy,
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others,
Fast from grudges and be reconciled,
Fast from words and be silent, so you can listen.

SJR SCHOOL:
Focused on Faith and Learning





Stock's Pound Cakes

All orders and payment are due by

Friday, March 10th

BUT, orders are taken on a first come first serve basis.

Don't wait to send in your order,
the sale is strictly limited to 198 cakes.

Pick up date will be March 24th.

\$12.00 per cake— Choose from 6 delicious varieties.

Any Questions, call Colleen Welte at 215-720-4544

or crw317@yahoo.com

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FAMILY NAME: _____

OLDEST CHILD'S NAME: _____

GRADE: _____

Phone No. _____

_____ Send my pound cakes home with my oldest child.

_____ I will pick up my cakes after school on Friday, March 24th.

POUND CAKE CHOICES:

_____ Plain - vanilla iced

_____ Marble - vanilla iced

_____ Plain - chocolate iced

_____ Marble - chocolate iced

_____ Plain - no icing

_____ Marble - no icing

_____ Total pound cakes ordered @ \$12.00 = _____

Make Checks payable to SJR-HSA



SJR DANCE

Grades K - 4th

Friday March 24th

3:15 PM – 4:45 PM

Cost: \$ 1.00 per child

Snack & Drink will be provided

Please complete and return the form with payment if your child/children plan on attending **by Friday March 10th** to Kristin Gassman c/o Tessa grade 2! We also will need a few volunteers to help out with set up/clean up and/or chaperones!

Family Name: _____

Number of Children: _____

I am able to help with the dance: yes _____ no _____

Email address: _____

**7th
Annual**



Friday, May 19, 2017

We are pleased to announce the 7th Annual St. Joseph / St. Robert (SJR) Run About Catholic Education on Friday, May 19, 2017, at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, Warrington, PA.

We are asking for financial support and participation from our local businesses and friends. Please join us in sustaining Catholic Education in our community. Our sponsorship opportunities range from \$50 to \$500. All sponsorship levels include a complimentary event registration and event t-shirt.

Your generous involvement will be appreciated by the 220 students of St. Joseph / St. Robert School. The funds raised by this event will go towards the academic advancement that is used to support our students.

We welcome you to unite with the SJR students, staff and volunteers who are actively involved in making this event a success.

Sincerely,

SJR 5K RACE Committee



ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL
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**St. Joseph/St. Robert School – 7th Annual R.A.C.E.
Kicking Off Our Sponsorship
Please Help Gain Sponsors & Add to Our Success**

Mark your calendar now for our 7th Annual Run about Catholic Education (R.A.C.E) on Friday, May 19, 2017. The evening event will begin at 6:30 pm with the 1K Kids' Race followed by the 2 Mile Fitness Walk & 5K Race at 7 pm. Last year we had over 400 runners/walkers and raised \$16,174.00 dollars. This year the proceeds will go towards the academic advancement that is used to support our students. The funds raised come from the generous support of local business sponsors, parishioners, and our school families.

The success of our 7th Annual R.A.C.E. is sponsorship and runner/walker registration. We are kindly asking each school family to assist with reaching out to at least one local business that you may know and/or support on a regular basis. Businesses could include your hair stylist, dentist, doctor, pharmacy, insurance agent, financial advisor, bank, indoor/outdoor home services, restaurants, and retail stores you frequently visit.

Executive and Corporate Support Sponsors are due April 6th. Corporate Friend & Friend are due May 1st. We are asking each family to consider the “Friend” level of \$50.00 sponsorship. For each sponsorship you secure, will entitle your family to a complimentary race registration. Please include your name as the SJR contact on the sponsorship form.

Sponsorship forms are in this week’s communication. Thank you for your active involvement in making our 7th Annual R.A.C.E. another great success. For questions or assistance with possible sponsors, please contact Kathy Williamson at kwilliamson@stjstr.org or 215.343.5100.

7th
Annual



Run About Catholic Education

Friday, May 19, 2017

Location: St. Joseph/St. Robert School (SJR) **Races:** 1K Kids' Race 6:30 P.M. (kids 12 and under)
850 Euclid Avenue 2 Mile Fitness Walk 7:00 P.M.
Warrington, PA 18976 5K Race 7:00 P.M.

Opportunity to Support SJR School:

Level	Includes	Cost
Executive Support	Name with Logo on T-shirt, Race Application, Race Day Program, Booth Space & Marker Sign Deadline: 04/06/2017	\$500
Corporate Support	Name with Logo on T-shirt, Race Application, Race Day Program & Booth Space Deadline: 04/06/2017	\$300
Corporate Friend	Name (no logo) on T-shirt and Race Day Program & Booth Space Deadline: 05/01/2017	\$150
Friend	Name in Race Day Program Deadline: 05/01/2017	\$50

**All levels of support include one complimentary race registration.*

To claim registration, please submit a race application by 05/10/2017.

For additional information please contact Kathy Williamson at kwilliamson@stjstr.org or 215.343.5100

SJR 5K RACE Sponsorship Form

Company Name: _____

Individual Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____ SJR Contact: _____

Sponsorship Level *(please check)*:

Executive Support \$500 Corporate Support \$300 Corporate Friend \$150 Friend \$50

Please make all checks payable to: St. Joseph/St. Robert HSA, 850 Euclid Avenue Warrington, PA 18976



ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL
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ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

2017 Family Order Form

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia is once again working with *Hersheypark*® to offer tickets at a substantial discount to the friends and families of your parish/school. **Advance Payment is required!** If you would like to order tickets through this program. Please note that tickets are valid for one day May 5-Sept 24, 2017.

Complete and submit this ORDER FORM along with full payment: Checks made payable to the school/Parish office by: **Friday, April 21st 2017**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PRIMARY PHONE: _____

**THIS OFFER ENDS on
Friday, April 21st 2017**

**Note: Tickets are valid
one day May 5-Sept 24,
2017**

Take advantage of these
early bird savings, NOW!

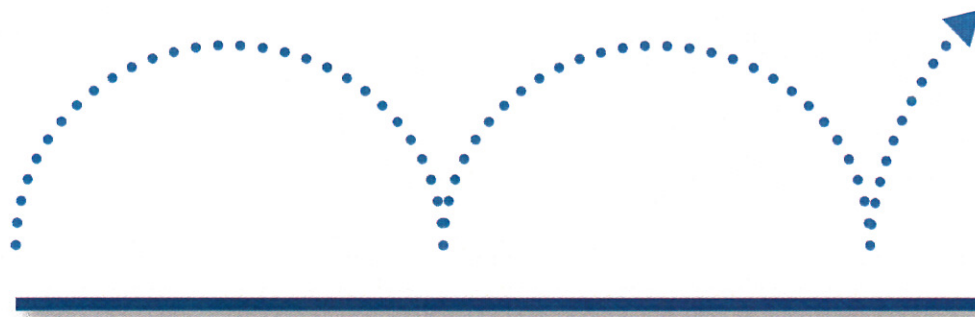
ADD-ON discount Meal Tickets to your order @ \$10.60 each. Enjoy a meal at multiple locations, with a variety of menus, saving up to 30% off the retail price

Quantity	Type	Gate	YOUR Price	Savings	TOTAL
	Regular (ages 9-54)	\$ 65.80	\$ 36.00 Valid one day May 5-Sept 24 2017	45% OFF Gate	\$
	Junior (ages 3-8)	\$ 42.80	\$ 30.50 Valid one day May 5-Sept 24 2017	29% OFF Gate	\$
	Senior (ages 55-69)	\$42.80	\$ 30.50 Valid one day May 5-Sept 24 2017	29% OFF Gate	\$
	Senior Plus (ages 70+)	\$ 27.80	\$ 23.95 Valid one day May 5-Sept 24 2017	14% OFF Gate	\$
	Prepaid Meal Ticket: Choose a meal at up to 20 food venues. All meals include entrée, side and one fountain drink or regular hot drink.	Prepaid Meal Ticket offers up to 30% OFF retail prices	\$10.60	Up to 30% OFF retail prices	\$

Parishes/Schools will receive tickets on/before the week of May 15th, 2017

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Keep the two steps forward. **Lose the one step back.**



Summer learning loss puts students at a serious disadvantage.

This is when skills and knowledge are lost over the summer months, causing students to move backwards instead of progressing.

By spending just **minutes a day** with *Summer Solutions*, students get the practice they need to keep moving forward. It was designed to help students return to school after summer break confident in the skills they've already learned and ready to master new ones.

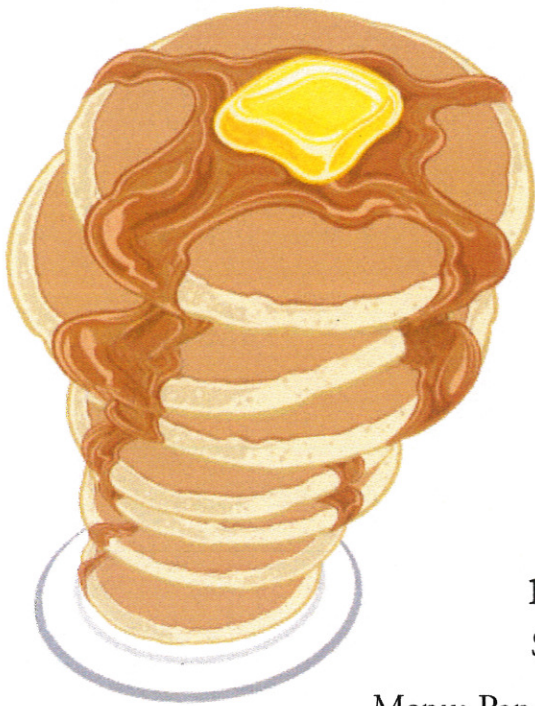
**Your child worked hard all year. Make sure that progress sticks.
Give your child the advantage of *Summer Solutions*.**

St. Joseph-St. Robert School

To order, go to www.summersolutions.net
and enter SJR18976 by May 7, 2017 .



iPad Mini Give-a-way! Order before May 16.
Every customer who orders is automatically entered
to win. The drawings will be on **April 17** and **May 17**.



ROTARY CLUB OF
WARRINGTON, PA

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 19, 2017

8 AM to 12:00 PM

Giuseppe's

1380 Street Rd., Warminster, PA 18976

\$6.00 for adults (Kids 5 and under are free)

Menu: Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Toast, Milk, Juices, Coffee & Tea



All proceeds benefit the
"I Like Me" Reading Program
Presented by Warrington Rotary
at all Elementary Schools in Warrington

Titus Barclay Mill Creek
St Joseph/St Robert

For more information on the program,
visit www.ilikeme.org

Join us for a good breakfast!

Rotary Club Of Warrington
PO Box 135 ■ Warrington, PA 18976

Email: info@warringtonparotary.org

www.warringtonparotary.org

Good for 1 FREE Breakfast per student

Warrington Rotary Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 19, 2017

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Giuseppe's

1380 Street Rd., Warminster, PA 18976

NEW!

Pizza Delivery

March 19, 9am to 11 am • \$10 per pizza • Cheese Pizza Only
Call: 215-896-5180 • website: info.emoyer.com/pancake-breakfast



School Name
2017 – 2018 School Settings

Access Application

www.smartaidforparents.com

School ID

School Name: xxxxxxxx

Application due:

Supporting documents due:

03/31/2017

Eligible Grades

List Grades

Smart Aid Application Fee: \$25

Required Supporting Documentation

Applications submitted without documentation will not be finalized.

- 2016 tax returns before 3/31/17

Submitting Documentation

Documentation is not submitted at the time the application is completed. Documentation must be submitted after the filing of 2016 taxes. Application IDs must be included on all documents. Failure to include your ID will delay processing of your application.

- Direct Upload: www.smartaidforparents.com (login with your username and password)

Contact Information

- Phone Support: (800)-360-8027
- Email Support: support@smartaidforparents.com

Notification of Financial Aid

Once your application is processed, a financial aid recommendation will be forwarded to (**School Name**). All final financial aid decisions, including notification of an award amount (if any) will be made by (**School Name**). If you have not received notification regarding financial aid, contact the financial administrator at(**School Name**).



1. Online Application

Visit: www.smartaidforparents.com

2. Section 1 – Household Information

Parent/Guardian: Enter the parent or guardian's contact information. Dependent: Enter all dependents that live in the household. For dependents in college, select the "attending another private school" status option.

3. Section 2 – Selecting A School

Enter your school's five-digit code or name in the search box. If you want to search for schools near you that are participating in the Smart Aid program, you can search by city and state. Make your selection by checking the select check box. Once a school or multiple schools are selected, you will then need to select the student(s) you wish to apply for aid at the appropriate school(s). After the school(s) have been selected, you will then need to select the upcoming grade for the student, student code (if applicable), and expected tuition (if applicable) for the upcoming year. Clicking "next" after each section will allow you to move on to each subsequent section.

4. Section 3 – Income & Expenses

Enter any income the household receives; employment, business or supplemental. If the work status is selected as 'employed', 'self-employed', 'unemployed, receiving benefits', or 'disabled, receiving benefits,' you will be required to enter this income source in the appropriate section before moving through the application. Please enter all expenses as they pertain to your household.

5. Section 4 – Assets & Debts

Enter all assets and debts as they pertain to your household.

6. Section 5 – Special Circumstances

Check off any special circumstance that pertains to your household. If no option available best describes your household's circumstance, please check 'other' and describe your situation. This information is confidential and will only be available to designated School Administration and Smart Aid staff.

7. Section 6 – Submit

If your school uses family school codes, please make the appropriate selection. Agree to Smart Aid's terms and conditions, then click SUBMIT to complete your online application.

Please be sure to enter all fields with accuracy.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Who should complete this aid application?

A: Whomever the child resides with should complete this application whether it is a parent, grandparent, aunt/uncle, or legal guardian. There is a section within the application where you can enter contributions from non-custodial parents and relatives.

Q: Why do I need to input my spouse's information if I am remarried and they are not legally responsible for my children?

A: Smart Aid's calculation works off of the total household income, therefore including all income, whether the party is legally responsible for your children or not. Our system however, does take into effect your spouse's expenses as well as their income. It is important to list all expenses that are asked of within the application.

Q: I do not have the required tax documents. HELP!

A: You are required to include ONLY tax information from the 2016 return. These should be uploaded after you have filed your 2016 return. If you are asked for a specific line from a tax document that you have not yet completed, please estimate the projected amount.

Q: How will I know if I qualify for aid or not?

A: We do not disclose information about the results of your application. All final tuition aid decisions, including notification of an award amount (if any); will be made by your school. For the date award notices will be given, please contact your school directly.

Q: What if I want to edit my application?

A: Once an application has been submitted and paid for it can no longer be edited by a parent. However, if changes are necessary a written statement with the change (including the application ID), should be sent to support@smartaidforparents.com.

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)

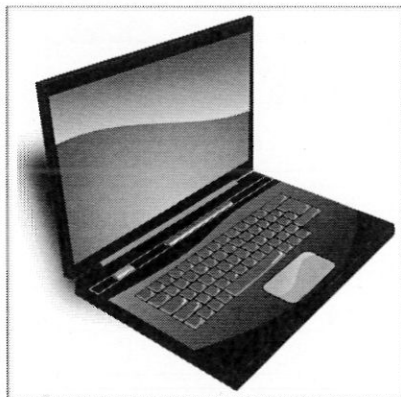
Meeting EITC Guidelines does not guarantee every family tuition assistance. Grants are based on the funding available and the family's ranking among all qualified applicants. We ask that you take advantage of this opportunity to receive tuition assistance. All awards will be applied towards school year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



AOP TECH PARENTS

Back to Basics: an EdTech Glossary



The ever changing technology field, combined with new concepts in education, create a field that is already packed with acronyms and abbreviations. Our hope is that over the next three months this Back to Basics section will help clarify some of the techno-speak that often dominates the Education Technology field and hopefully you might be hearing your children say at home! In our first edition of the series we will be focusing on popular EdTech terms!

•App - Short for “application”. A program or software to perform a specific function.

- Blended Learning - The mixing of traditional classroom learning and self guided online learning (in home and/or at school).
- Cloud Computing - Utilizing tools or apps that save virtually rather than to the local device/hard drive. Many of our schools utilize the G-Suite (formerly Google Apps for Education) as their cloud based solution.
- Digital Literacy - The skills necessary for finding, evaluation, using, sharing, and creating online content or using online tools. Parents can and should support this at home utilizing resources from [Common Sense Media](#).
- Flipped Classroom - Students interact with the bulk of a lecture or content at home (as homework) and in-class time is reformatted for active learning experiences.
- Gamification - The use of games or game design to drive a learning objective. Want to gamify your class? Try using Class Craft!
- Infographic - Short for “informational graphic” or visual representation of information.
- “Search Up” - A new term for what we often call “googling”. Students today are using this as a play on “looking up” information.
- Tags - Keywords associated with digital content and media across platforms. We see this most often in the form of hashtags (like #aoptech) on social media.
- URL - Stands for “uniform resource locators”; it is the web address of websites, etc. A URL bar is at the top of a browser screen.
- Virtual Classroom - an online space for students and educators to collaborate, like Google Classroom.
- Web vs. Internet - “Internet” is technically the hardware piece of online access that interconnects millions of computing devices. In contrast, “web” is the the digital content offered through the internet.

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