

From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster

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APPLE OF MY EYE: Congratulations to the following students who were recognized for doing something good: Nicole Chesla, Lauren Scott, Maggie Dixon, Matt Ferello and Ethan Edwards.



HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS: Important dates:

- **Mother/Daughter Tea: Sunday, November 15th**
- **Advertise Your Business in the SJR School Directory. See form in this week's communication. All forms are due by Friday, November 6th.**

WINTER UNIFORMS: The children will be required to wear their formal winter uniforms when they return to school on Monday, November 2nd. Please be sure that the children have the uniforms ready to wear.



TIME TO FALL BACK: Daylight Savings Time ends on Saturday, October 31st. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed. (Everyone should be well-rested returning to school on Monday! ☺)

From Our Director of Advancement: Kathy Williamson

New Family Open House & Early Childhood Enrollment

Our annual Fall Open House for new families will be held on **Sunday, November 8th from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm** and again on **Wednesday, November 11th from 9:00 am – 12:00 Noon**. Open enrollment for non-parishioners to register their children for Pre-K and Kindergarten will begin on **November 8th**. After this date, families may call the school to schedule an appointment to complete registration. Registration for new families with children in Grades 1st through 8th will begin in February.

Please share the invitation included in this week's communication envelop with your family and friends. We are the enthusiastic "voices" that bring new families to our school.

PARENT CONFERENCES: Parent Conferences for children in Pre-K through grade 6 will be held tomorrow Thursday October 29th and Friday, October 30th. Because of the conferences, we will dismiss tomorrow at 12noon. All buses will be available at dismissal. There is no school on Friday, October 30th so that the conferences may be completed.



A FEW GENTLE REMINDERS:

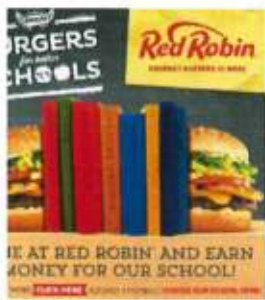
- Each year as families register/re-register, they are asked to sign a tuition contract. Stipulated in the contract is a statement saying that the family agrees to a minimum \$10 weekly donation to the parish they attend.
- In the coming weeks, the parishes will be sending out an YTD record of the Sunday offerings received. As a matter of justice, those families who do not live up to the signed agreement may be charged a higher tuition for the coming school year Please know, that EVERY child receives a substantial scholarship from the supporting parishes each year. Our tuition is not the actual "cost per pupil" for the operation of the school.
- No one is permitted to enter the school without going to the Office to sign in. Of late, we have had parents enter during dismissal and going to classrooms. This is not permitted. Should you need your child dismissed early, you are asked to notify the Office in advance.
- Please see form in this week's communication regarding families who may have a child ready to enter our PreK4 Program or a child who may be ready to enter our Kindergarten, who was not in this year's PreK4 Program for the school year 2016-2017. Also, please fill out the form if your child is presently in our PreK4 Program to let us know if your child will be returning or not returning to our Kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year. Please return the form by Monday, November 2nd to reserve a spot for your child for the school year 2016-2017.



SERVICE CORPS NEWS: Members of our Service Corps will be visiting the families in our parishes who have lost loved ones this past year. They will be sharing a sympathy card, a plant, and our promise of prayers.



YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST: It is time again for the yearbook cover contest! The deadline for cover submissions is Monday, November 9th. See flyer in this week's communication for more information.



RED ROBIN: Help our school raise money all year long with Burgers for Better Schools™! It's free to join and easy to participate. All you have to do is become a Red Robin Royalty member, select our school, and Red Robin will donate 1% of all purchases you make at participating locations. Learn more at redrobin.com/betterschools

SCRIP NEWS: Scrip cards for the new restaurant PJ's Pour House in Montgomeryville are available in \$25 denominations. These cards can be used in the new Montgomeryville restaurant or in any PJ Whelihan's restaurants. ****Bonus voucher offer - \$2 voucher for every \$25 purchase of Whelihan's scrip.****

Starting November 2nd, low denomination cards will be available by special order. These cards will only be offered for a limited time. They make great Christmas gifts!

Amazon - \$10	Outback - \$10
AMC theater - \$10	Panera - \$5
Applebees - \$10	Regal - \$10
Barnes & Noble - \$5	Stabucks - \$10
CVS - \$10	Target - \$10
Groupon - \$10	Walmart - \$10

Giuseppe's scrip cards are now available in \$25 denominations.
Whole Foods scrip cards are in stock while supplies last.

Black Friday is November 27. Scrip orders placed by November 16 will be guaranteed to arrive in time for your Black Friday shopping.















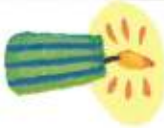
JUST A THOUGHT: *"Forming saints for this world and beyond"*, these words are part of the Mission statement of the Office of Catholic Education of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. They certainly speak to the importance of the Mission of Catholic Education. If we are called to "form saints each day/every day, all of our words and actions must be consistent with that goal. As we approach the great feast of All Saints Day, let's pray for their intercession to assist us in forming saints here on earth!



***SJR SCHOOL:
PROUD OF OUR PAST,
FOCUSED ON THE FUTURE,
MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE!***



NOVEMBER 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1  All Saints Day Daylight Savings Time ends	2  Winter uniforms begin	3  Election Day	4  Wendy's Wednesday Science Explorers	5  Young Rembrandts	6 First Friday - Mass 9am Hot Sandwich lunch	7
8 Early Childhood Open House 9am - 1pm Sacrament Sunday - 1pm @ St. Joseph church	9	10	11  Early Childhood Open House 9am - 12noon Wendy's Wednesday Science Explorers Veterans' Day!	12  Young Rembrandts	13 Mexican lunch	14
15  Mother/Daughter Tea	16	17  School pictures	18  Wendy's Wednesday Science Explorers	19  Young Rembrandts	20  Tea with Me 10am Pasta lunch	21
22	23	24  Grade 7 trip	25 12:00 dismissal CARES available in PM	26  Happy Thanksgiving!	27 School holiday!	28
29  First Sunday of Advent	30					



St. Joseph/St. Robert School

850 Euclid Avenue
Warrington, Pennsylvania 18976
Telephone: 215.343.5100
Facsimile: 215.343.7434

Mrs. Deborah Jaster, Principal

October, 2015

Dear Parents,

We are already making preparations for the upcoming academic year. To do so, ask that you consider informing us of your intentions for Kindergarten for the 2016 – 2017 school year.

Would you please indicate whether or not you intend to return your child to St. Joseph/St. Robert School for Kindergarten? Too, please indicate whether or not you have any child/ren you intend to register for Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten at St. Joseph/St. Robert School.

Thank you in advance!

Student Name

Returning or Entering SJR for
Kindergarten\ Pre-K

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

Student Name

Reason for leaving

All Prospective Families are cordially invited to visit:



St. Joseph/St. Robert School

- *Offering education to grades Pre-K through 8th
- *Options for five half day or full day Pre-K and Kindergarten
- *Faith based values integrated into education and activities
- *Challenging curriculum based on Common Core State Standards
- *Innovative use of technology including SMART Boards, Surface Tablets and iPads in all grades
- *Specialty teachers for weekly Spanish, Library, Technology, Art, Music & Physical Education in all grades

OPEN HOUSE & EARLY CHILDHOOD REGISTRATION

Sunday, November 8th 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. **Wednesday, November 11th 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon**



*** Registered Families of St. Robert Bellarmine Parish or St. Joseph Parish have priority registration beginning the week of Monday, November 2nd. Families can call the school to schedule an appointment (Monday – Friday) 9 am – 3 pm.**

Information/Enrollment Requirements: 215.343.5100 or [www. STJSTR.ORG](http://www.STJSTR.ORG)
850 Euclid Avenue Warrington Pennsylvania 18976

**Proud of Our Past, Focused on the Future,
Making a World of Difference!**



HSA Notes

Mother/Daughter Event

November 15. Tickets on sale until October 28. See Flyer below. Contact Janine Edwards 267-970-7156 or Kathleen Sigda 215-290-6934 with questions

Chick-Fil-A Calendars

See flyer below. Coupon calendars on sale until November 20. Contact Kelly Stefanik with questions.

Family Directory

If you do not want any or all of your information to be part of the directory, please let the school office know by November 6.

If you have not paid your HSA dues and would like a family directory, please send your \$20 dues in by November 6 c/o HSA membership.

Box Tops

Don't forget to clip your boxtops and send them to Suzanne Sorge c/o Matthew grade 3. Every family who sends in 350 will receive a dress down day and the family who sends in the most boxtops will receive 3 dress down days at the end of the school year.

Advertise Your Business in the St. Joseph/St. Roberts School Directory!!

The ads were a great success last year and really helped with the expenses for the printing of the directory. As you know our directory is given to each member of the Home & School Association, which means that your ad will be seen by over 200 parish families. Wouldn't it be better for school families to hire someone they know and can trust for repairs such as plumbing and electric, rather than to look up a stranger in the yellow pages?

DEADLINE FOR ALL ADS IS FRIDAY, November 6, 2015

Return bottom section to Suzanne Sorge, c/o Matthew grade 3

I would like to include an ad in the 2015-2016 School Directory.

PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

EMAIL _____

ELECTRONIC COPY AVAILABLE YES NO

WAS AD IN LAST YEAR'S DIRECTORY? YES NO

FULL PAGE AD-----\$50.00

HALF PAGE AD-----\$25.00

QUARTER PAGE AD/BUSINESS CARD -----\$10.00

*Please make all checks payable to St. Joseph/St. Roberts Home & School Association.
Please do not fold or staple ads.*



Please return completed form by Wednesday, October 28th attn: Janine Edwards

/o Jake Edwards 4th grade

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Yes, we love to be a help! (Please select when you are available)

Set up in hall Saturday, November 14th after 5 p.m. mass

Set up in hall Sunday morning, November 15th

Help during event Sunday, November 15 at 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Clean up after event Sunday, November 15 at 2:30 p.m.

Areas in need of help (please indicate your preference)

Kitchen

Pictures (help with Props)

Crafts and Activities

Decorations



Please return completed form & money or check payable to SJR HSA by Wednesday, October 28th attn: Kathleen Sigda c/o Kaitlin Sigda 4th grade

Family Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Yes, we love to attend! No, sorry....can't make it.

Number Attending: _____

Name of daughter(s):	Grade(s):	Food Allergies?
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Included are drinks, sandwiches, fruit, vegetables, and snacks



**ATTENTION ALL SJR STUDENTS -
OUR 5TH ANNUAL YEARBOOK COVER
CONTEST IS BACK!!**

**ENTER *YOUR* ARTWORK IN THE YEARBOOK
COVER CONTEST!**

DEADLINE IS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH!

THIS YEAR'S THEME IS:

"World Meeting of Families"

HELPFUL HINTS-BE **creative AND **COLORFUL!** PAPER SIZE**

8.5 BY 11" -

**PORTRAIT ORIENTATION. PLEASE DO NOT USE COLORED
PAPER OR LINED NOTEBOOK PAPER.**

OUR **OVERALL WINNER WILL BE FEATURED ON THE
FRONT **COVER** & **CLASS WINNERS** WILL BE FEATURED
ON **BACK COVER** OF THE YEARBOOK!!!!**

Service Corps- November

Toys for Tots- all month long (Please bring in new toys and place them in the baskets at the end of hall) – Toys will be given to St Robert's Parish

Making Christmas bags on the 4th and 5th

Neshaminy Manor the 9th – Bingo at 6:15 to 7:45 and 10th – Arts and crafts at 6:15 to 7:20

Meeting for making Christmas posters and teams on the 19th -

Posters due on December 3rd

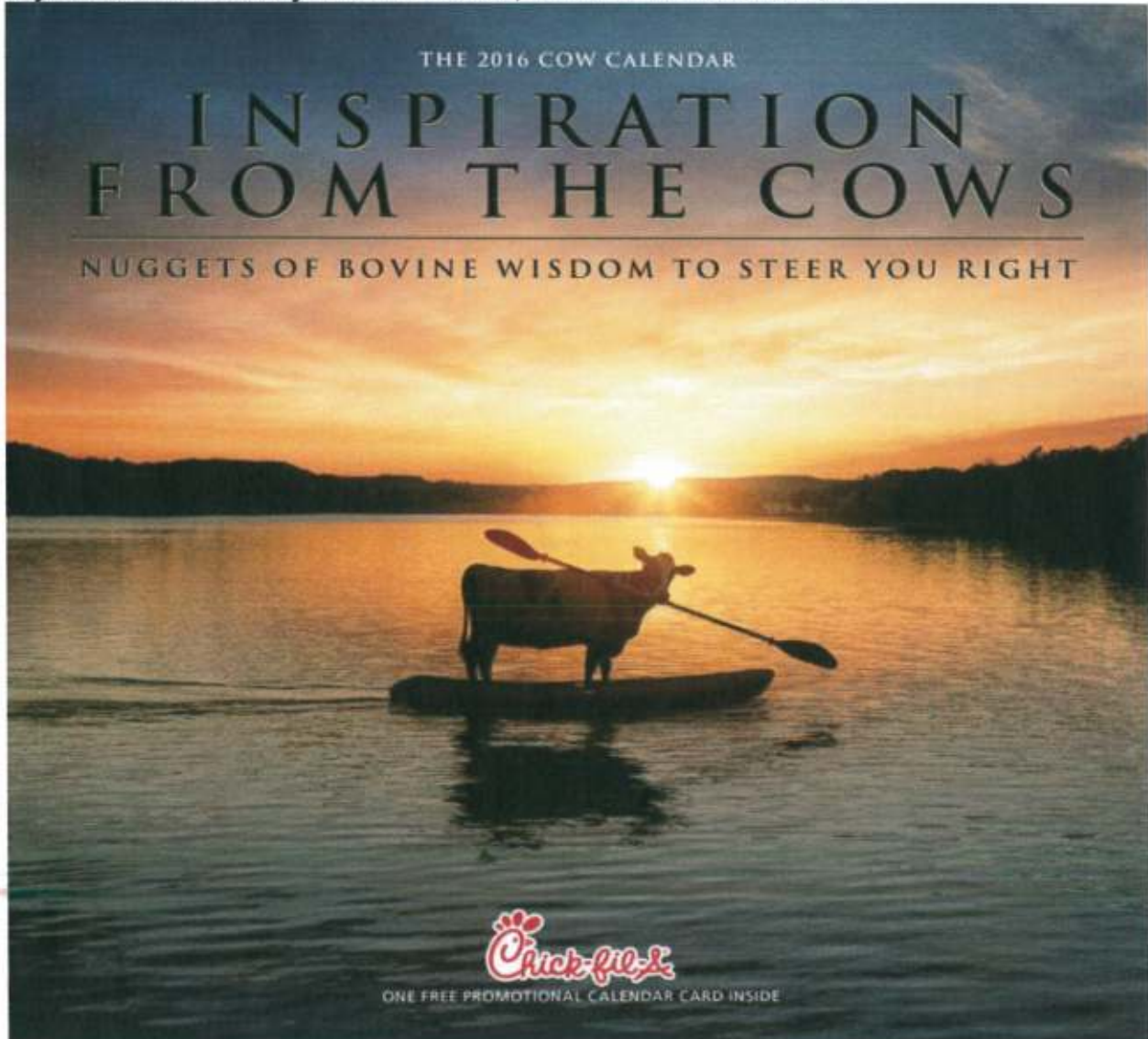
Hand out posters on the 23rd

Pie Day for \$1.50 on the 24th

Chick-fil-A 2016 Cow Calendars on sale NOW!!

Includes a digital offer card with new monthly FREE food or drink offer EVERY MONTH!

If you redeem every month's offer, card is worth over \$30!



These make GREAT Christmas gifts!

2016 Chick-fil-A Calendar Sale

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of Calendars ordered _____ x \$9 each = _____

(make checks payable to SJR HSA)

Send home with student (name): _____

Please return order form and payment to Kelly Stefanik c/o Haley - 6. You can e-mail Kelly @ kelly.stefanik@gmail.com if you have any questions. Calendar sales are due by November 20.