

From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster

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APPLE OF MY EYE: Congratulations to the “Apple of My Eye” winners for the week! These children are celebrated for being “caught doing something good”: Chris Slubowski, Jake Zook, Billy Stefanik, Caoimhe O’Neill and Ava Szymanski.



HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS: We have some important dates in the month of September! Don't forget to mark your calendar for:

- **Friday, September 23rd:** Covered Dish Dinner for families in Pre-K through Grade 1 hosted by Grade 2 families.
- **Friday, October 14th:** Bingo Bonanza! Tickets are available now!
- **Halloween Costume Party for 5th & 6th grade**~see flyer in this week's

e-folder.

- **School Directory** - all ads and moneys are due by **this Friday 9/23** if you are taking out an ad. Thank you in advance for all your continued support!
- **Hot Lunch** - for those of you who are new (and those who are not so new), please be advised that snacks are available to be purchased for .50 on the days Hot Lunch is offered.
- We want to thank everyone who came out for our Movie Night this past weekend. It was a great event. The weather couldn't be more perfect and the kids had a blast. A special "shout out" to all of those who helped in anyway. From the set up all the way through to the clean up. **THANK YOU THANK YOU!!!!!!**

FROM OUR ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR:

“Open Gym & Play” – Resuming in October - Join the Fun

“Open Gym & Play”, a playgroup for young children to come together to play, and make new friends will begin October 17th. All children ages 6 and under are welcome, accompanied by an adult. Families do not have to be members of the school or parish to participate. Last year the group averaged 20-25 children and 15-20 adults each week. The playgroup will gather on Mondays from 12:00 Noon – 1:30 pm at St. Robert Bellarmine Gym, on October 17th and 24th. Please spread the word & invite your friends.





HELP WANTED: St. Joseph Parish in Warrington is looking for a full-time maintenance person/facilities manager. Please send your resume to sjc18976@verizon.net. Subject: Attention Search Committee



Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge results are in!

SJR students read 252,736 minutes that beats last years total of 200,384 minutes!!!!

Overall top winning class with the most minutes read goes to Grade 5 with 49,294 minutes! They will receive a pizza or make your own ice cream sundae party in the Library!

Congratulations to our grade winners! Each winner receives a gift voucher to spend at our Scholastic Book Fair coming this winter!

K- Madeline Mooney

Gr-5 Kaitlin Sigda

Gr-1 Luke Ewald

Gr-6 Gianna Speranza

Gr-2 Daniel Shaeffer

Gr-7 Haley Stefanik

Gr-3 Nicholas Sheldon

Gr-8 Julia Fellmeth

Gr-4 Molly Zook

SERVICE CORPS NEWS:

- October 1st- Car Wash at Pep boys (tentative)
- October 3rd- Collecting gently used coats and shoes until October 26th
- October 7th- Installation Mass
- October 13th- Service Corps Meeting
- October 18th and 19th- Making cards for All Saints Day
- October 20th and 21st – Bake Sale – Cupcakes for Cure
- October 27th – Flowers for All Saint's Day

JUST A THOUGHT: During last week's Home and School meeting, I had the opportunity to share our school's results on last spring's Terra Nova tests. In addition, I showed a comparison of our students' results with those of the Archdiocese and also the Catholic elementary schools of Bucks County. I am very happy – and proud! – to report that our students did beautifully!

At the end of my presentation, I showed a short video on "Grit" by Angela Duckworth. Studies show that Grit is an important factor in determining not only success in school but in life. Much is being written about Grit these days, but one mnemonic may prove helpful for all of us:

**Give it your all.
Redo if necessary.
Ignore giving up.
Take time to do it right.**





Please return completed form by **October 7th**, attention: Kathleen Sigda c/o Kaitlin Sigda 5th grade

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

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

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_____ Help during event Saturday, October 29th at 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

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Shadow Days

Beginning September 19!
Call today to schedule:
215-357-8810, ext. 193



Open House

October 2, 2016
1 to 3 p.m.



Free HSPT

Review Sessions

October 13 & 27, 2016
4 to 6 p.m.



Entrance/ Scholarship Examination

November 5, 2016
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Make-up date: Nov. 7, 8 a.m.



RSVP by September 22nd for CFGP's

Women in Philanthropy Forum

Join CFGP for an afternoon of networking and personal accounts from some of the industry's most influential philanthropists and leaders. CFGP's Women in Philanthropy Forum will feature panel discussions and a Q&A with community leaders Barbara Henkels, Sandra Baldino and Betsy Courtney.

Thursday, September 29th

11 AM - 1 PM

St. Joseph's University, Haub Conference Center
5600 City Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19131

This event is free of charge
Lunch will be served

Parking located at Hawks Landing Parking Garage
54th and City Avenues

RSVP by clicking the Eventbrite link below, or contact us at
215-587-5650 or RSVP@catholicfoundationphila.org

Due to scheduling conflicts, Patricia Holloway will not be featured at CFGP's Women in Philanthropy Forum. We apologize for any inconvenience.