

St. Joseph/St. Robert School

Weekly Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS. DURKIN

March 29, 2023

During this busy week, let's remember, "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13

Dear SJR Families,

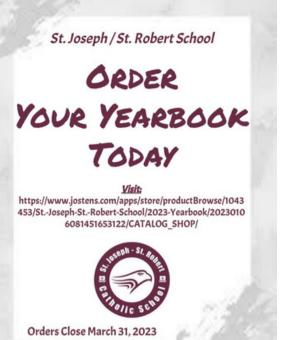
Last Friday the faculty and staff had the opportunity to gather for Mass and retreat with Dr. Sister Pat McCormack. We reflected on Mary as it was the day before the Feast of the Annunciation. One thing we considered was how time and time again when Mary was faced with uncertainty, hardship, and suffering she turned toward God with faith for guidance and direction. I have thought of this often in the past days. May we follow the example of the Blessed Mother during these difficult times.

This Sunday begins Holy Week and there are some special activities for the students. The Service Corp will be having an Easter egg hunt for the Pre-K, Kindergarten, and first grade on Tuesday. On Wednesday, all students will have the opportunity to engage in prayer and prayerful activities in preparation for Easter.

A reminder that Wednesday is a noon dismissal to begin the Easter break. All buses are available at dismissal as is the CARES program.

You and your family are in my prayers as we begin this Holy Week.

God bless you, Mrs. Durkin



Order Your Yearbook Now

Yearbook orders are due by Friday. Students love to share these beautiful memories with each other and with families. Sales have been slow. You should know that only the number of yearbooks that have been pre-ordered are available at the end of the year.



Thank you for your Generosity

SJR raised \$1,750 to donate to Our Mother of Consolation School Community. Thank you!



Come Play Pickleball!

You are welcome to come play/learn to play pickleball with Mrs. McReynolds on Friday, March 31st. Drop in between 4:00-6:00p.m. No experience necessary! This is for the grown ups only....







Home and School News

Celebrate spring by signing up to be involved with SJR R.A.C.E. night. This is a family-friendly fundraiser for St. Joseph/St. Robert School. You can get involved in a number of ways.

Register for the event: https://runsignup.com/sjr5k Current and former SJR students as well as siblings of current SJR students (ages 17 and under) can participate in any event for \$15. Children aged three and under can participate at no cost. Discount will be applied at checkout on RunSignup.

Volunteer before or during the event:

https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/PA/Warrington/SJ R5K

Become a sponsor: https://www.stjstr.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/02/Sponsorship-Form-2023.pdf

More info? https://www.stjstr.org/5k/

Other Upcoming Events:

<u>April 1st:</u> Sweetheart dance. <u>April 12th</u>: Phillies home opener picnic. <u>April 25th</u>: Last HSA meeting 7pm in the cafeteria

Look for a flyer sharing a special Earth Day Poster activity to come home with your child. It is also posted at the end of this newsletter.





Throughout the month of April, we are asking students to get outside and appreciate the beauty of our Earth! What better time to see all that our planet has to offer than during the spring season!

In honor of EARTH DAY this year, our activity for the students will be to make posters full of natural materials from the Earth. Seeds, pebbles, feathers, flowers, twigs, leaves, etc. are some examples of materials we find in nature that create a beautiful landscape. The children can create a picture out of their materials or create something abstract, so be creative! They can also use markers, paint, etc to enhance their posters if they wish to, and may use any size poster, too!

As always, our EARTH DAY activity is optional, but encouraged! Posters can be brought in starting the first week of April and will be accepted up until Earth Day on April 22. We'll be filling our 1st floor halls with the posters, so please include your name and grade on the front of the poster. If you have any questions, please contact Kristi Brennan at kris1481@aol.com.

*All students who participate will receive a dress down day (date TBD)!

*The class with the highest percentage participation wins a Rita's water ice day!







Join the EITC Program Today!

Learn how to redirect your state tax dollars to benefit students throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and receive a 90% Tax Credit!



Informational Webinar Dates:

Thursday, March 9 at 4:00 PM Tuesday, March 21 at 7:00 PM Wednesday, March 29 at 12:00 PM Wednesday, April 12 at 10:00 AM Tuesday, April 25 at 1:00 PM

Foundation

Click here to sign up for an upcoming webinar



Sjr will have a table in Valley Square for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1st. Come join in the fun and be sure to stop by the table to say, "Hello!"

A reminder, as we begin planning for next year, that joining the EITC program is a great way to support our school all while saving yourself taxes! Please join an informational webinar to find out more. Specific questions can be addressed to Kathy Williamson at school.

Please be sure to complete your enrollment paperwork before the end of March. We are busy preparing for the new school year!

Thank you!

I was asked to share the information below with our middle school families.

