

# St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS.

DURKIN

November 1, 2023

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

On All Saints Day, "Please help me follow their footsteps, and yours, Jesus Christ. Please help me to conform myself to Your image, seeking Your will in all things, as the Saints did. Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to Your glory, and to the service of my neighbors. Amen." (praymorenovenas.com)

Dear SJR Families,

It was a pleasure to see you as you arrived for your child's conference. Thank you for all that you do for SJR and to support your child's education.

Please be sure to see the information about The Walkathon. It is truly a lovely afternoon and all of the pledges/sponsors that our student-walkers get fund our Health and Wellness Program for the year! Plan to join us if you can - families, siblings, grandparents are welcome to walk with us as we bring SJR to the neighborhood streets on the afternoon of Friday, November 10th.

I promised last week to share more about our safety initiatives. One program for students in grades 6-8 is called, "Safe2Say Something." "Safe2Say Something" (S2SS) is an anonymous reporting system. It's a multi-faceted program that teaches students, teachers and administrators how to recognize warning signs and signals within social media, especially, of individuals who may be a threat to themselves or others. Secondly, the program hopes to encourage individuals to Say Something to a trusted adult OR use its anonymous reporting system. Specifically, the program educates participants to:

- Recognize the signs and signals of at-risk behaviors especially within social media.
- Take every sign and signal seriously; act quickly to get help by talking to a trusted adult OR
- Report it anonymously through the S2SS Office of the Attorney General 24/7 Crisis Center, mobile app, or website.

Our 6th-8th graders will be participating in the training on Monday, November 13th. I will share some more information with the parents of those students shortly.

God bless you and I look forward to seeing you tomorrow morning! Mrs. Durkin

# SJR Home and School Annual Walkathon

November 10, 2023, at 1:15pm
All of the proceeds from the walkathon
go into our Health and Wellness Program

Children in grades Pre-k through 8th will assemble at 1:15pm in the schoolyard and then walk through Palomino Farms neighborhood.

Families and extended families are welcome to join in!
Please see the flyer below for more details.



# Home and School Information

The top ten sellers in our Cherrydale/Cookie Dough fundraiser will be having a Chick-fil-a lunch with Mrs. Durkin on Tuesday, November 7th!

Congratulations to Aiden D. (3rd), Ryan N. (1st),
Danny R. (5th), Quinn C. (3rd), Kara K. (K),
Sammy P. (4th), Walker H. (PK), Cecilia M. (PK),
Paulie K. (1st), and Vivienne H. (PK).
Thank you for your hard work!





Walkathon: Please plan to join us for The Walkathon on November 10th after lunch at 1:30. Please see the flyers below for more information. The Walkathon, in addition to being an awesome afternoon, is the way that we fund the Health and Wellness Program at SJR. Everything from the school nurse to the faculty trainings are paid for through this event. And this year, a generous donor has agreed to do a matching grant up to \$15,000!! So please plan to ask friends and family to sponsor your SJR walker. If each family is able to raise \$100, we would be just about at our goal! And we would be able to maximize the matching donation!



**Bingo:** It's never too early to start planning a fun evening for the ladies! Please see the information below for general information and for available sponsorships.



Thank you, HSA Board









# From Around the School

## **Service Corp:**

## Pie Sale for Thanksgiving:

Please see the attached flyer to order a Tastykake Pie for your child to have on the Thanksgiving Pie Day, 11/21. This Service Corp activity is not raising funds for a cause but just adding to the Thanksgiving spirit in school! Pies are \$2.00 each and orders are due on Monday. The form is at the end of this newsletter.

In anticipation of The Feast of All Souls, the Service Corp delivered plants and cards to parishioners who have lost loved ones this year. Within an hour, I had already received two phone calls by people overwhelmed by this thoughtful gesture. During this time, if you could keep Mrs. Barnes and her family in your prayers. Her father died recently. May he rest in peace.

If there is anyone who you would like to add to our school prayer list, please email Mrs. Durkin at jdurkin@att.net.

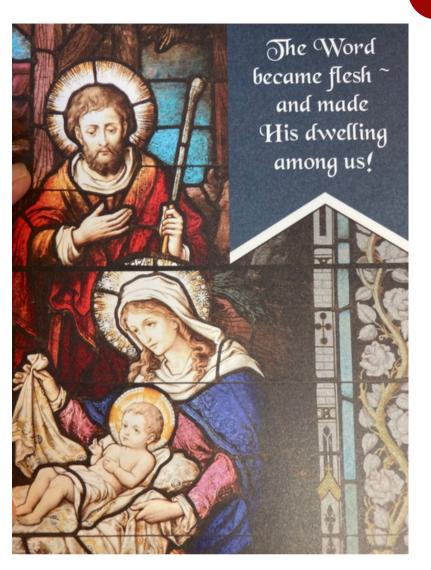
Congratulations to Lilliana and Hannah who guessed the number of candies in the Service Corp jack-o-lantern and ghost!

# Pumpkins in the Lab:

There were pumpkins outside the library in the newsletter last week....this week, the 7th & 8th grade students were busy in the lab preparing pumpkins for use in an experiment. They learned about chemical reactions by watching a heat-producing mixture bubble and overflow from the jack-o-lantern!

The 6th graders carved pumpkins to be able to clean and plant the pumpkin seeds.

# **Parish News**



# St. Joseph's Parish

St. Joseph Parish is selling Christmas cards (pictured here). For \$15 you get a package of 25 high quality Christmas cards to share the spirit of the season. You can send the money to school with your child in a labeled envelope and we'll be happy to send them home.

# St. Robert's Parish

Please Join us for Family Fellowship after all the Masses next weekend November 4th and 5th. Enjoy refreshments, donuts and coffee and learn more about the Knights of Columbus.



Thank you to our Apples this week: Kieran, Paul Maddie, Jack, and Dominic. Thanks for all the large and small ways you contribute to our school community!



# From the Director of Advancement

SJR's first Admissions Open House for the 2024 - 2025 school year is Sunday, November 5th. The response by the community has been excellent. Thank you to the parents and students who will be serving as guides or ambassadors. The best way to learn about SJR is by talking to its faculty, staff, parents, and students. It's great that each group will be represented on Sunday. Thank you!



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# **CYO News**

Registration for basketball is closed. Tryouts for grades 5-8 will be in early November, more information regarding specific dates/times will be provided shortly. The season for grades 3/4 begins in mid/late December.

#### SJR Home and School Annual Walkathon

# November 10, 2023, at 1:15pm

It is that time of year again for our Annual Walkathon, a major fundraiser for our Home and School Association, and a fun tradition for our students. As most of you know, the Home and School Association is a wonderful partnership of administration, faculty, and school families that helps provide enrichment to the SJR experience.

All of the proceeds from the walkathon go into our Health and Wellness

Program. This helps pay for our school nurse and also other medical supplies
that may be needed at school.

Children in grades Pre-k through 8<sup>th</sup> will assemble at 1:15pm in the schoolyard and then walk through Palomino Farms neighborhood. We will have the teachers and police officers on the route to help endure everyone stays the course and stays safe. We welcome family members to join us this year.

In addition to a fun day for our school community, we have some incentives to encourage you to participate in our fundraising efforts:

\$25 raised will earn a Dress Down Day on a future date determined \$150 raised will earn your family an SJR Lands' End Large Canvas Tote The highest money raised for a classroom as a whole will win a pizza party

Please use the attached form to record pledges. We will also be emailing our a link for the website that you can log onto and share with family members for other pledge options. Pledge money can be returned to Debby Perks c/o Luke Perks 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. All money is due by November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

If you have any questions, please contact Debby Perks at 267-231-3342 or debbynix23@gmail.com

We hope that everyone is able to support this year's Walkathon in some way. We look forward to a safe, sunny and successful outing.

# St. Joseph/St. Robert Walkathon Sponsor Sheet Friday November 10, 2023

Last Name:		Grades:
Securing Sponsors: Start t think would like to Sponso		sor sheet to anyone that you in:
WHO you are		
WHAT the Walkatho	on is	
WHERE the route is	located	
WHEN you are parti	cipating	
WHAT this project S	upports	
	rade. If you collect \$25.00 y. \$150.00 will earn you S. will earn a pizza part for	each child in your family
Name of Sponsor	Address	Total Amount

# **Permission Slip**

# Walkathon for Health and Wellness

Dear Parents and Students,

It is time for our Annual Walkathon for Health and Wellness.

Date: Friday, November 10th, 2023 at 1:15pm

Who: Grades Pre-k - 8th

Time: 1:15pm

Place: Residential area surrounding school. Starts in parking lot.

# Please return form to school no later than November 9th, 2023

Waiver: In consideration of the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of the Pennsylvania committee walkathon for Health and Wellness and in consultation of your permitting me to participate in the Walkathon for Health and Wellness, on behalf of myself waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages, especially against the Walkathon Committee, as well as any other person or organization connected with the Walkathon, for any and all injuries arising out of the Walkathon.

Signature of Parent or Guardian	
Names/Grades of Students participating in the Walkathon	

ANY STUDENT NOT RECEIVING WRITTEN PERMISSION FOR THIS WALKATHON WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO LEAVE THE SCHOOL PROPERTY.







# SJR THANKSGIVING PIE DAY Tuesday, November 21, 2023







Tastykake Flavors	Quantity	\$2 each
Apple		
Cherry		
Lemon		
Pumpkin		
Tasty Klair		

Total: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please send cash or check made payable to SJR

%: MRS EWALD (PIE DAY)

\*\*PIE ORDERS ARE DUE BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6.\*\*\*\*



# Elementary Drawing Classes for Kids



Young Rembrandts



# **ALL NEW LESSONS EVERY SESSION!**

# Join us at St Joseph St Roberts School

Make this a memorable time by signing up your elementary child in a Young Rembrandts drawing class. Your child will learn about design, composition and illustration using our unique step-by-step drawing method. Besides strengthening your child's drawing and coloring skills, he or she will also learn about art history as we present lessons featuring a master artist. Don't miss out, enroll now!





# Classes

Thursday 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM 11/16/2023 - 01/25/2024 (No class 11/23, 12/21, 12/28)



\$140.00 (8 Week Session)







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# ST. JOSEPH /ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

## HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Our next Bingo Bonanza Ladies Night Out fundraiser is scheduled for Friday, January 19, 2024. We have bingo rounds that are in need of a sponsor.



If you have a business or are employed by someone who might

be interested in supporting our school, please consider being a sponsor. Your sponsorship will be recognized throughout the evening and in our event program. We hope that you are able to help us fund this event. Your sponsorship or donation is tax-deductible.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and please join us for a fun night on January 19th.

Please contact me with any questions.

Gina Smart (ginasmart@aol.com)

## SPONSORSHIP FORM

Please return this form by November 2	0, 2023			
I would like to sponsor a round of Bingo (\$250)				
I would like to donate \$ to be app	olied towards a Bingo round			
I would like to donate items to be used in Raffle Baskets (i.e. gift cards, products, etc)				
Sponsor Information				
Contact Name	Address			
Company Name	Phone #			
Email				

Checks can be made payable to SJR HSA and return this form to St. Joseph / St. Robert School

(Attn: Bingo Bonanza Gina Smart)

850 Euclid Avenue Warrington, PA 18976

# THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS





















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HOLIDAY MARKET

Free family holiday event. Start your holiday shopping early. All leashed pets welcome!

# SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4 9:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

WARMINSTER COMMUNITY PARK 1100 VETERANS WAY, WARMINSTER, PA 18974



PROCEEDS BENEFIT BEN WILSON SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER PLEASE CONTACT AMANDA GERSHANICK AT 215-284-7238 OR AMANDA@BWSAC.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION

# JUST A FEW OF THE VENDORS

- Andley Farm
- Bake Ability
- · Baked by Michela
- Bewitched Candles
- Champagne on a Wednesday
- Climbina Branches
- Dianne Lynn Desians
- Dream Out Loud
- Four Seasons Decor
- Franks Fine Swine & Beef
- Gin Blossom Designs
- · Hilltown Crafts Co.
- Hungry Moon Foods
- · Jake's One Stop Shop
- Kindness Kookies
- · LaMarco Candle Company
- · Live Hot Sauce
- · Nancy's Paws For All, Too
  - Tybuk Farm Maple Syrup
  - Sweeetheat Sauces
  - The Fresh Soap
- Tresfes, LLC
- Saint Rocco's Treats
- · Simply Slates by Cheryl
- Val's Crafty Corner and many more ...

#### **FOOD VENDORS**

- Rooster & the Chick LLC
- Local Harvest Pizza
- Humpty's Dumplings
- Blue Wren Coffee House

# **ANIMAL RESCUES**

- Jax's Labrador
- Wags Rescue & Referral
- Home At Last

# LIVE HOLIDAY MUSIC

Jammin' Joe & KenTones

#### ENTERTAINMENT

- Action Karate
- Bonnies Balloon Twisting
- Laura's Face Painting
- Petting Zoo
- •The Real Pet Santa benefits Horsham Dog Park