



# St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS.  
DURKIN

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The mission of schools is to develop a sense of truth, of what is good and beautiful. And this takes place through a rich path made up of many ingredients. True education enables us to love life and opens us to the fullness of life.

— Pope Francis

Dear SJR Families,

At SJR, the safety and well-being of every student is our top priority. Next week, I will be presenting the state-mandated Safe2Say training for our 6th through 8th graders. This program equips students with the tools to report concerns safely and responsibly, helping us maintain a secure and supportive school environment for everyone.

As the seasons change, it finally feels like fall is here! Summer uniforms can still be worn through the end of October, but remember they are always optional. If a chilly day arrives, your child is welcome to wear their winter uniform. Winter uniforms will be required starting November 3rd, so now is a great time to make sure everything is ready.

There's a lot going on through our HSA – please be sure to read about it. Don't forget to register for Trunk or Treat – it will be here before you know it! And keep an eye out for information about Boo Grams—a sweet SJR tradition that delivers fun treats to students just before Halloween.

I'm so grateful for all that you do to support our school.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Durkin





## School News

### Our Music Program

Students interested in joining the school band or orchestra may still enroll throughout the month of October. As a reminder, participation in band instrument instrumental music is available to students in grades 4-8, and orchestra instrument participation is available for students in grades 3-8. If you are interested in joining this wonderful program, please refer to the Northeastern Music enrollment link below. Thank you!

[Northeastern Music Programs | Home](#)

**Please note that our Christmas Band Concert is scheduled for December 9<sup>th</sup>.**



### Parent-Teacher Conferences

You should have received an email with the link to a sign up genius to select a time to meet with your child's teacher on either October 30<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup>. School will dismiss at noon on the 30<sup>th</sup> and there is no school for students on the 31<sup>st</sup> to allow for this important opportunity. Please note that this meeting is on-site in your child's classroom and children are not included in the discussion.

### Responsible Use of Technology Forms

All students are required to have signed Responsible Use of Technology form. Parents of children in Pre-K can sign the forms for their child....it's important that we are all operating with the same expectations around this important issue. I will be reaching out to families who have not returned the forms over the next week so that all students are able to continue to use the technology uninterrupted. The policy was sent home. The signature pages are included below. Please take care of this.

Next year, the policy and signatures will be included in our FACTS online enrollment packets. However, I appreciate your cooperation this year.

Winter Uniforms are required when student return to school on Monday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. You can choose to have your child wear it earlier should we get a cold snap.





**From the Director of Enrollment  
Mrs. Kathy Williamson**

I am excited to continue to promote our core school mission, “Focused on Faith and Learning”. I value “spreading the word” to the community related to our students’ many service projects, academic achievements, and school events.

Please Like, Comment, and Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram

Instagram - @sjrschool and @sjr\_homeandschool

Facebook - St. Joseph/St. Robert School, SJR Home and School Association

*Please like and share our social media platforms with family and friends!*

It’s hard to believe, but we are already gearing up for our Fall Open House for new families interested in joining SJR for the 2026 - 2027 school year. They are invited to join us on Sunday, October 19th, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon for a fantastic opportunity to explore all that our school has to offer.

Please share with family and friends. They can call the school at 215.343.5100 to RSVP or register online at [www.stjstr.org](http://www.stjstr.org). We look forward to welcoming everyone and sharing the joy of our community.



## HSA News

### Cherrydale Fundraiser

We raised a total of \$17,555.80 for SJR!! We're working now on ordering the Chrome books, Smartboard, and other tech and will keep you posted. Congratulations to our highest seller: Eleanor R. in kindergarten!

Thank you to our top ten individual sellers who will have a Chick-fil-a lunch with Mrs. Durkin! Eleanor R, Ryan N. Aiden D., Wade R., Autumn L., Quinn C., Nicholas C., Caitlin A., Charlotte M., and Clinton S. I'm working on the schedule and will let you know the big day!

Thank you also to our top five families - I'm thrilled to invite these students to join me for lunch, too! I'll be scheduling that and letting you know.

The Hare Family, the Gower Family, The McCardle Family, The Smart Family, and the Cooper-Koper Family!

### Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 17 - Please see the flyer below to join in the fun! This year, there is no charge if you are decorating a trunk. There will be a small fee to trick or treat - \$3 for one child, \$5 for two or more. Here is the link to RSVP: <https://forms.gle/SfJrM7NSuGG4u2jR7>

### Halloween Dance - Grades 4-6

The Halloween Dance will be on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> for those who are current SJR students in grades 4-6. Please see the flyer below.

### Haunted Hayride - Grade 7&8 on Sat., Oct. 25

Please see the flyer below for information about how your child can join in the fun.



*Congratulations!*  
*to our Service Corp Homeroom Reps and our Service Corp Officers.... Carleigh, Kelsey, Brynn, Vincent, and Adrian!*



*and to our Patron Award Winners.... Benjamin, Alex, Danny, and Isabella (not pictured.)*

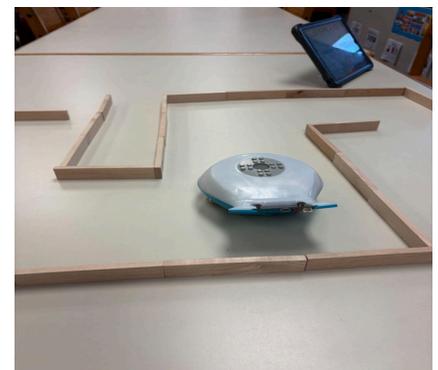
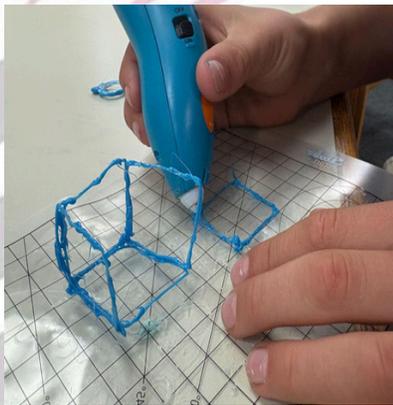




## *We had a FABulous time at St. Joseph/St. Robert School!*

The Act 89, Mobile Fab Lab, Powered by the Bucks IU, rolled into St. Joseph/St. Robert Catholic School this past week. And while the leaves and temperatures have started to fall, engagement and creativity have never been higher!

Students in 1st through 8th grades visited the Lab, exploring both computer science as well as digital fabrication. Many grades were able to come to the lab multiple times throughout the week. The 8th graders made tiles using lasers, sculpted with 3D pens and explored several types of robots as they practiced their coding skills. The 7th grade designed game controllers and simulated a rescue mission on Mars! Other grades developed programming skills while learning about such concepts as compare and contrast, place value and engineering. A special thank you to the Principal, Mrs. Durkin, and her amazing staff for helping to organize and support such an engaging week of fun and learning!



## **Week of: September 29th**



[www.BucksIU.org/FabLab](http://www.BucksIU.org/FabLab)



# SJR's Annual 7th & 8th Grade

## HAUNTED HAYRIDE

Saturday October 25th

7:30-10 PM

Winding Brook Farm  
3014 Bristol Rd  
Warrington, PA

Wagon leaves promptly at 8:00 PM

**\$25 per student\***

\*Includes Pizza and Drinks before hayride and S'mores after hayride

Discounted Rate for Cornwalk and Haymaze of Horror!  
If you would like to add these attractions, please include an additional  
\$18 to ticket price.

Please send payment to school  
via Danny Rosenello Grade 7 or VENMO  
@kathleen-rosenello  
by Friday 10/18



# SJR's 2025 TRUNK OR TREAT



Join us for a spooktacular evening of family fun!

 Friday, October 17, 2025

 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

 SJR Parking Lot

## Event Highlights:

- Trick-or-treating from decorated trunks
- Costume contest (prizes for best costumes!)
- Games & activities for kids



**Bring the whole family and plenty of Halloween spirit!**

Admission: \$3 for one child and \$5 for two or more siblings

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/L4MNeEwPoDkCiLhV7>

**Our Friends at Bravo Dance Studio asked us to share....**



**bdc** BRAVO  
DANCE CENTER

**YOU ASKED – WE LISTENED!**

**ADDITIONAL LATER CLASS  
TIMES ADDED FOR OUR  
YOUNGER DANCERS!**

**NEW CLASS  
ALERT!**

**WEDNESDAY, 5:00–5:45 PM  
MINI ACRO (AGES 6–8) WITH MS. EMMA**

**THURSDAY, 5:45–6:30 PM  
BALLET/MUSICAL THEATER 1 (AGES 5–7) WITH MS. OLIVIA**

**REGISTER TODAY!**

ARCHBISHOP WOOD PRESENTS

FIRST ANNUAL  
**FOOD TRUCK  
& FAMILY FESTIVAL**

Inflatables, games, raffles,  
music, and more!

**SATURDAY**

**11**

**11:00AM - 4:00PM**

**OCTOBER**

655 YORK RD,  
WARMINSTER

**FREE ENTRY!**

