



St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS. DURKIN
December 10, 2025

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,

As we continue our journey through Advent, our school is filled with excitement and joyful preparation. Our Christmas Band Concert last night was a lovely celebration of the season and a testament to our student musicians' hard work! Students are also busy preparing for our Christmas Pageant on Thursday, December 16th at 6:30 p.m. in church. It's always a beautiful tradition for our community, and we look forward to celebrating the true meaning of Christmas together before our break. Please look for communication with additional details about the event.

A special thank you to our HSA volunteers who are working so hard to make Christmas magical for our students. Ornament making, the Tree Lighting, and the Little Elf Shop are all beloved traditions that simply wouldn't be possible without the dedication of so many. Thank you for bringing such joy to our school.

And of course, a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful faculty, who guide, support, and inspire our students each day—especially during this busy season!

Thank you for your ongoing support and for the many ways you help make SJR a warm, faith-filled place for our students to grow. May this week bring us all moments of peace, hope, and anticipation as we look toward Christmas.

Wishing you a blessed week,
Mrs. Durkin





School News

Enrollment for 2026-27 is open for those who are entering Pre-K or Kindergarten next year. Enrollment for grades 1-8 opens in January. Please see Mrs. Williamson's information below.

Christmas Pageant:

Dec. 18th SJR's Christmas Pageant in St. Robert's Church at 6:30p.m. All students have been practicing during Music class and are expected to attend. It's a beautiful way to begin the final week of Advent.

Get the Scoop on Kindergarten at St. Joseph/St. Robert School. Learn what makes our half-day & full-day Kindergarten so special. Join us for one of our final Kindergarten sessions on December 15th from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Parents with children in our Pre-K or those new to our community are welcome to join us! See the flyer for more information.

Yearbook Cover Design Contest!

The yearbook club has planned a contest to create the cover for this year's yearbook. All students are welcome to create a submission. See below for the guidelines and deadline! If you have any questions, you can reach out to Mrs. Rosenello at kathleenrosenello@gmail.com

Drama Club

Parents are reminded to check the Band app for all drama club information. <https://band.us/n/aaa9b2kcgeR8U>

Please see the flyer/order form below for the Drama Club's "Spoonful of Sugar" fundraiser.



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

Pre-K and Kindergarten Enrollment for 2026-27 is Now Open

As we prepare for the 2025–2026 school year, we kindly encourage our current school families with a child entering preschool or Kindergarten next year to complete the enrollment process.

This secures your child’s place at SJR. Current families have priority enrollment now through December. Beginning in January, we will open registration to new families outside our school community.

To begin the enrollment process, please go to your family portal in FACTS and select “Enrollment/Re-Enrollment” on the left side.

- Type in your username and password. If you have forgotten your username or password, please click on the link provided
- Go to left-side Navigation Menu
- Click on Apply/Enroll
- Click on Enrollment/Reenrollment

The process should take approximately 15 minutes to complete. Your information will be saved if you need to quit and come back later. If you have any questions, please contact me at kwilliamso@stjstr.org

As always, 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!



HSA News

Little Elf Shop

Please see the flyer below to get more information about this shopping opportunity for the children. There is also a copy of the order form should you need it. If you are available to volunteer, please let us know.

Christmas Gifts for Specialists and Support Staff

It is our HSA's tradition to share a gift with teachers and staff who do not have a homeroom. Please see the flyer below.

Mark Your Calendar!

We've added our Mother-Son bowling event to the calendar! It will be on March 15th from 3:00-5:00p.m. at Thunderbird Lanes.





Get the scoop on Kindergarten

St. Joseph St. Robert School

Thinking of kindergarten for your child?
Come see what makes our half-day & full-day so special!
We invite you to get the inside scoop on kindergarten
meet our teachers • explore our classrooms • experience the joy of learning



Wednesday, December 3rd - 10:30AM-11:30AM

Thursday, December 11th - 10:30AM-11:30AM

Monday, December 15th - 10:30AM-11:30AM



Register now online at www.stjstr.org
or call 215-343-5100
850 Euclid Ave. Warrington, PA 18976





APPRECIATION & *gratitude*

15 AMAZING SPECIALISTS & SUPPORT STAFF
ASSIST SJR TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR
CHILDREN'S LIVES. THE HSA IS COLLECTING MONEY 
AS A THANK YOU TO THOSE STAFF MEMBERS.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Monsignor Beisel | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Jacobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. McReynolds | <input type="checkbox"/> Father Pawelko |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Crumlish | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Jacobsen | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. McWilliams | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Sorge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Durkin | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Koper | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Moyer | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Williamson |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Ewald | <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Macrone | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pena | |

Please Consider Donating 

Venmo: @sjr-hsa

OR

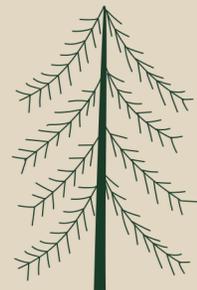
Send Cash: Carla c/o Nicholas Shoemaker, 1st Grade 



Donations will be collected through 12/12/2025



Thank You!



SJR Yearbook Contest

- **Grades Pre-kthrough 8th
grade**
- **Must be submitted by
January 9th 2026**
- **Theme- 100 years of SJR**

Yearbook Cover Contest

RULES

1

No computer generated covers

2

All covers must be in portrait form

3

Must have St. Joseph-St. Robert School written out (not SJR)

4

Theme- 100 years- this must be included in some way

5

No misspellings

6

No names included on cover (your name will go on a separate submission page)

7

No late entries will be accepted

STJR'S ANNUAL Little Elf Shop

TUESDAY DECEMBER 16

- Students are able to shop independently
- Gifts for mom, dad, grandpa, grandma, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, teachers, and even pets
- Gifts priced from \$0.25 - \$15, with most between \$3 - \$8
- Parents can buy gift certificates online for students to use when shopping (great for younger students)
- Anyone interested in volunteering please contact Kathleen Rosenello at kathleenrosenello@gmail.com

Please visit the link below for more information:

[HTTPS://MYSCHOOL.HOLIDAYSHOP.ORG/STJSRCATH](https://myschool.holidayshop.org/stjsrcath)



My Shopping List



STUDENT: _____

GRADE: _____ TEACHER: _____

	NAME	OVER \$8.00	\$8.00 \$6.00	\$6.00 \$4.00	\$4.00 \$2.00	\$2.00 UNDER
MOM						
DAD						
SISTERS & BROTHERS						
GRANDMAS & GRANDPAS						
AUNTS, UNCLES, & COUSINS						
TEACHERS & FRIENDS						
PETS						
TOTALS						

CASH GIFT CERTIFICATE CODE: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

IF YOUR SCHOOL ACCEPTS CHECKS, PLEASE MAKE PAYABLE ONLY TO YOUR SCHOOL.

SJR DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS:

A SPOONFUL OF SUGAR

HOT CHOCOLATE SPOONS!



**They are for sale, Chocolate Spoons:
\$6 each or 4 for \$20 - Orders due by Friday
December 5th.**

Spoonful of Sugar Order Form



Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate to warm the body and help the medicine go down. Simply dip the spoon in hot milk, water, or other beverage of choice. Stir and Enjoy.



The SJR drama club would love your support to assist with the costs of this year's theater production of Mary Poppins, Jr. The drama club members will be selling "A Spoonful of Sugar" hot chocolate spoons in preparation for the show on Saturday, April 11th at 2pm. We are excited to watch the magic unfold.



Chocolate Spoons are \$6.00 each or (4) for \$ 20.00. They make great holiday stuffers, family gifts, or the perfect treat on a cold winter day.



Orders are due by Friday, December 5th to Anne Keegan c/o Kara Keegan grade 2 and will be sent home with your child on Wednesday, December 17th.



Payments through Venmo, check, (SJR HSA)and reference Chocolate Spoon Drama Club or cash c/o Kara Keegan grade 2.

Spoonful of Sugar Order Form



SJR-HSA Treasurer
@SJR-HSA



venmo

Scan this code to pay

First and Last Name: _____

Student Grade: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Please send all forms to Anne Keegan c/o Kara Keegan Grade 2.

Orders and payments are due by December 5th. (\$6 each or 4 for \$ 20)

Payment Type: (Venmo or Check made out to SJR HSA- Drama Club) (Cash c/o Kara Keegan Grade 2) Amount Enclosed.

Venmo _____ Check _____ Cash _____

OF SPOONS AND VARIETIES (Milk or Dark Chocolate- All include Marshmallow)

Total# of Milk Chocolate _____

of Milk Chocolate with marshmallow _____

of Milk Chocolate with holiday sprinkles _____

of Milk Chocolate with peppermint _____

Total# of Dark Chocolate _____

of dark chocolate with marshmallow _____

dark chocolate with holiday sprinkles _____

of dark chocolate with peppermint _____