

# From the Principal's Desk

WOW!! The school year is so close to the end, I cannot believe how fast this month has gone by! Please read the following carefully so that you are aware of all of the wonderful end-of-year events taking place on our campus.

### **Race for Education:**

We cannot thank you enough for the incredible support leading up to and on Race Day! Your generosity and enthusiasm blew us away. We are truly blessed to have such an amazing community rallying behind our school! It was a blast to see students from our "A" Homerooms out of uniform today- what a fun reward! Kudos to our **Top Earning Homeroom Classes**: **KA**, **4A**, **and 8B!** Congrats to our **Top Earning Students** as well! Because of all of you we did not only reach our goal, but we surpassed it which means that Mrs. Trimble and I will officially be turned into human ice cream sundaes next Wednesday, 5/28!!

### Final Mass of the School Year:

We will be having our final Mass of this school year on Wednesday, 5/28. We hope that you can join us!

### Awards Ceremony:

This Annual Ceremony will take place on Wednesday, 5/28 at 1pm in the Church. Grades 3-8 will be in attendance and all are welcome to join.

### Information from Mrs. Grace:

Read <u>here</u> for a summer opportunity about Building Executive Functioning Skills at Home. Thank you to Mrs. Grace for sharing this with us!

### Parish News/Updates:

- Please keep Mrs. Sherrie Palmateer and her husband in your prayers as she takes some time off to care for him. Due to her absence, IGNITE Summer Camp has been cancelled and Deacon Tim will be leading this year's Vacation Bible School.
- Church renovations will begin on June 9th and are expected to take approximately 15 weeks. Mass will be held in the Parish Center during this time.
- Help me in wishing Father Ned all the best as his time here at S. Joe's coming to an end. He will head off for sabbatical on July 1st.
- We welcome our newest Associate Pastor, Father Jun Guamil, who will join Father Felix and Father Jesse shortly.
- Save the date! Join us for a Parish/Campus Clean Up on June 14th from 9-11am

### Key Dates for the 2025-2026 School Year:

Please <u>click here</u> to see all of our key dates for the 2025-2026 School Year.

### UPDATED Shadow Day Policy Per the AOB:

There are no excused absences. Students who shadow in 7th grade are considered unexcused. When students shadow in 8th grade, they are unexcused as well, but it is noted that they are absent due to participating in a shadow day. It is too late in the year to update our SJS Student & Parent Handbook, but we will be sure to include this updated policy in next year's handbook.

### Upcoming Dates:

Thursday, 5/22 - Last Hot Lunch (Pre-orders only) Friday, 5/23 - Club Photo Day, HALF DAY (PreK @ 11:35 am, K @ 11:45 am, Gr 1-8 @ 12:00 pm) Monday, 5/26 - School Closed Tuesday, 5/27- School Closed

Wednesday, 5/28 - Last School Mass of '24-'25 school year, 8th Grade Retreat (in-house) in the morning, Awards Ceremony in the Church at 1pm (Gr 3-8)

**Thursday, 5/29 -** 8th Grade at Hershey Park, Used Uniform Sale, Mix and Match Uniforms Begins (No mismatched shoes/socks are allowed)

**Friday, 5/30** - Kindergarten Orientation at 8:15am, PreK Closing Ceremony at 9am followed by PreK Picnic, 8th Grade Luncheon and Drive Around (More details coming soon)

# **New Announcements**



# Free School Supplies for LIFE Sweepstakes

You read that right! 1st Day School Supplies is giving one lucky family FREE school supplies for life! To enter, just order your kit by May 31st and you will be automatically entered to win. <u>Order yours today!</u>



# **Nominate Us**

Nominate SJS-Fullerton in The Daily Record's Reader Rankings Awards for 2025. These awards celebrate and recognize the best our community has to offer. Nominations end May 31st and voting begins July 1st.<u>Nominate</u> <u>SJS HERE</u> as **Best Private School** (Elementary/Middle School)! One vote per day per email address.

# **Race for Education 2025**



# **Sponsors and In-Kind Donors**

This year's RFE was an astounding success! We appreciate the support from our students, families, and generous sponsors listed below. Thank you for your continued partnership! We had a wonderful day—despite a bit of rain—and are thrilled to share that we surpassed our fundraising goal of \$65,000! Go Wolfpack!!

Please support those who have supported us. •

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- Kona Ice
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- <u>The Go-Kart Track</u>
- Bengie's Drive-In Theatre
- Mrs. Ashby & Mrs. Trimble
- The Thomas Family
- The Isom Family
- The Sullivan Family
- The Spilker Family
- The Desai Family

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### **Hot Lunch Reminder**



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\* \* HASA's USED UNIFORM SALE \* \* \* THURSDAY, May 29, 2025 6:30 PM ST. JOSEPH PARISH CENTER Only cash & check will be accepted for payment

Selling Uniforms?



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# **Used Uniform Sale**

The HASA Used Uniform Sale will take place on Thursday, May 29th. Sellers can drop off their tagged items on May 29th from 8-10 am in the Parish Center. Pleased see the selling quidelines here. All items should be labeled with the student's name, homeroom, item size, and price. Shopping will take place on May 29th from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Parish Center. Please bring a shopping bag. Only cash and check will be accepted for payment.



# Lilo & Stitch Movie Day

Grab your friends after our Half Day/Field Day on June 4th and come see a private screening of Lilo & Stitch at Horizon Fallston. Tickets are \$10 per person. PURCHASE TICKETS HERE. Doors open at 1:15 pm.

### **Order Your Yearbook**

Order your 2024-2025 school yearbook and customize 2 pages at no charge! Each vearbook is \$40.00. Additional pages can be customized for just \$1.99 for each additional 2 pages. Upload photos from your phone, computer, Facebook, Instagram, etc.



Order yours today! Our schools' passcode is 1014879532772250. Accepting orders through June 30th.

# **Reminders from Nurse Mary**

### Parents/Guardians of Current 5th Grade Students:

Upon your child entering 6th grade in the 2025-2026 school year, we will be requiring an updated physical exam, completed within one year before school starts in the fall. This is to ensure that I am up to date on any medical concerns or new medications your child may be taking, all for the continued safety of your child. View a copy of the Maryland Schools Record of Physical Examination Form from the <u>Finalsite</u> <u>Parent Portal HERE</u>.

### Parents/Guardians of Current 6th Grade Students:

In 2014, new immunization requirements were mandated for students entering 7th grade. These new requirements are in addition to the existing school immunization requirements. All current 6th-grade students are <u>required</u> to submit an updated immunization record reflecting that the following immunizations have been administered *before* entering 7th grade 2025-2026:

- One (1) Tdap vaccination
- One (1) Meningococcal vaccination

Please contact your child's physician to verify if any vaccinations are missing and obtain an updated immunization (reflecting the above have been given) record to provide to the school. It is very likely your child has already been given these vaccines, as physicians have been aware of the changes for some time. Most students have their original immunization records on file from when they first entered St. Joseph's. This early notification of requirements affords you plenty of time to verify, confirm, and provide the school with the updated immunization record to aid in a smooth return to school in the Fall.

According to Maryland School Immunization Regulations (COMAR 10.06.04), students must be immunized according to the Maryland Recommended Childhood Immunization Schedule to be allowed in school. A child will have up to 20 days from the start of school (2025-2026 school year) to show proof of vaccinations, after which exclusion from school can be enforced.

I will send a reminder home in early May to those who have not sent in an updated immunization record. It can be sent in over the summer in preparation for the beginning of school in late August. If you have any questions, please contact me at 410-256-8026.

Thank you,

Mary Konopacki RN, BSN mkonopacki@stjoeschool.org 410-256-8026

# **Important Dates**

#### THURSDAY, 5/22

• Chick-fil-A Hot Lunch (pre-orders only) \*Last Hot Lunch of the Year

#### **FRIDAY**, 5/23

- Club Photo Day
- HALF DAY (PreK @ 11:35 am, K @ 11:45 am, Gr 1-8 @ 12:00 pm)

#### **MONDAY**, 5/26

School Closed

### TUESDAY, 5/27

School Closed

#### WEDNESDAY, 5/28

- Last School Mass of '24-'25 School Year
- RFE Reward: Human Ice Cream Sundaes with Mrs. Ashby and Mrs. Trimble
- 8th Grade Retreat (in-house)
- Awards Ceremony in the Church at 1pm

### THURSDAY, 5/29

- Used Uniform Sale in the Parish Center (Drop off labeled items 8-10am, Shop 6:30-8pm)\*Cash or Check ONLY
- 8th Grade at Hershey Park
- Mix and Match Uniforms Begins (No mismatched shoes/socks are allowed)

### **FRIDAY**, 5/30

- Kindergarten Orientation at 8:15 am
- Pre-K Closing Ceremony at 9:00 am followed by Pre-K Picnic
- 8th Grade Luncheon and Drive Around

#### Looking Ahead:

June 14th 9-11am - Parish/Campus Clean Up Day June 30th - <u>Yearbook Orders Due</u>

2024-2025 Key Dates

2025-2026 Key Dates NEW!!

#### **FULL-YEAR CALENDAR**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-ender only) Grade 3 to DC 3" Holy Communion Rehearsal Spm	2 May the Pack be with you Spirit Wear Day (Regular Spirit Wear may also be worn)	3 I" Holy Comm- union 10om 6 12pm Youth Bowl
ч	5	6 Subway Lunch (Pre-order only) Teacher Appreciation Day	7 Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only) Grade 4 to Annapolis Grade 1 to TimberNook School Nurse's Day	8 Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	9 May Crowning 9am. "Step up to Middle School" (during lunch & recess for 6r.5)	10
School Mass 10:30am Mother's Day	12 School In Session K to Goucher 8th Grade Finals Begin_	13 Subway Lunch (Pre-order only) Spring Concert Ipm Concert & HASA Meeting 6pm	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only) Volunteer Mass & Brunch	IS Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pne-ender enly) Spirit Wear Day Battle of the Books 6:00pm PC →	16 Race for Education	Band® Hershey Park
18	I Makeup hot lunch for Grs. 1 & 4 (Pizza) and Grs.3 & 5 (Chick-Fil- A) Finals Begin for Grades 4-7	20 Subway Lunch (Pre-order only)	21 Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only)	22 Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only) LAST HOT LUNCH Grade 5 to Philadelphia	23 <sup>Club Photo Day</sup> No Finals Today Noon Dismissal	24
25	26 School Closed Memorial Day	27 School Closed	28 Last PreK & 8th Grade Mass 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat Awards Ceremony 1pm Church	29 8th Grade to Hershey Used Uniform Sale Mix & Match Begins Ascension of Jesus	30 K-Orientation 8:15am PreK Closing Ceremony Sam (RC Home) 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Luncheon & Drive Around	31





For rising 9th-12th graders (17 & under)

Confirmation registration is available online. Program begins in September.

> Visit our Confirmation page for more information

Contact: 410-256-1630 or confirmation@stjoefullerton.org

# **Confirmation Registration is Open**

Confirmation registration is now available for rising 9th-12th graders. Program beings in September. <u>Visit our webpage to register</u> and for more information.

If you have any questions, you may email Rick Urbanski, Confirmation Coordinator, at <u>Confirmation@stjoefullerton.org</u>

# Pentecost Celebration

St. Joseph Church & School

Sunday, June 8th at 12:30pm Mass Come celebrate the universality of our Catholic Faith.



Feel free to wear the dress of your cultural heritage.

Join us in the Parish Hall after Mass to Taste & See the World

Taste Please bring a dish (main, side or dessert) that represents your cultural heritage. All dishes can be dropped off in the Parish Hall before 12:30pm Mass.

Please label the dish and country it represents. Hot dishes should be in an aluminum pan that can be placed in a chafing dish. Hotdogs & hamburgers will be provided

See We are inviting you to bring artistic items from your country of origin to share with the community. Tables will be provided!

Come Holy Spirit!

# Pentecost Celebration

Pentecost Celebration will be Sunday, June 8th at the 12:30 pm Mass with a Taste of the World celebration following Mass in the Parish Hall.

### **Volunteers Needed**

St. Joseph Cemetery is in need of volunteers for the Summer. Contact the Parish Office if you are interested 410-256-1630.



### ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY

St. Joseph Cemetery is currently in need of volunteers for the summer to help with the grass maintenance.

If you would like to volunteer or learn more information, please call T.J. Froemsdorf at 410-256-1630.

Thank you.



## **Vacation Bible School**

New theme! Open to students entering kindergarten through 5th grade. Join us June 23-26th from 9 am-12 pm. Cost is \$35. <u>REGISTER ONLINE HERE!</u> Limited space available. *All students who were previously registered for the initial theme remain registered.* Questions? Email Erica Stemski.

## **Wolfpack Athletics**





# Registration is OPEN for the '25 Summer Soccer Clinic!

Registration for Summer Soccer Clinic is now open! *Please note that year's clinic will be limited to only rising Pre-K through 5th graders due to the refurbishment of the upper soccer field.* <u>REGISTER HERE!</u> Participants can look forward to soccer training, games, drills, and free nightly snowballs. The clinic will take place on Tuesday, July 8th through Friday, July 11th. Registration will be live until June 8th or until spots are full. Questions? <u>Email Clinic</u> <u>Director Melissa Miller.</u>



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