

From the Principal's Desk

Good afternoon, Wolfpack Families! Just a few updates from me this week...

Upcoming Calendar Dates to Note:

- 10/29: Parent/Teacher Conference Registration will close at 11:59pm.
- 10/31: Red Ribbon Parade at 9:30am and NOON dismissal
- 11/1: SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STUDENTS (Parent/Teacher Conferences)

Arrival and Dismissal Reminders:

In the afternoon, please make a second line in the driveway. Doing so helps everyone merge more easily and then people are not trying to cut in front of each other. We are all busy, and everyone has places to go, however we NEED to keep everyone as safe as possible on the lot.

Good News from the Math Dept:

We are so happy to announce that we have hired a new math teacher, Mrs. Lisa Mallonee for grades 4-8! Mrs. Mallonee will begin this Thursday by shadowing Mrs. Foreman, Mr. Croughn, Mrs. Ellis, and Mr. McGarrity to become accustomed to the curriculum and the students. We ask for parents with children in grades 4 to 8 to please refer to the email that was sent earlier this week for more information.

Maryland Safe School Anonymous Reporting System:

The Safe Schools Maryland (SSMD) Anonymous Reporting System is a wonderful FREE tool available to report any school or student safety concerns, including mental health concerns. They offer a 30-minute presentation for parents about what SSMD is and how to properly use it. This results in more thorough and better reporting for all schools. If you would like to attend, please <u>click here</u> and choose the date that works best for you.

New Announcements

Family Bingo Night - November 10

Join us for a fun night of Family Bingo on November 10 at 6:00pm. Cost is \$10 per person. Pizzas can be prepurchased for \$10 (Cheese) and \$11 (Pepperoni). Extra bingo cards, dabbers, snacks, and drinks will be available for purchase. Every person needs a ticket to enter. Tickets are available until November 3rd. Purchase tickets here.

Coats for Kids

The Knights of Columbus (KOC), Father Burggraff Council #6021, is pleased to once again sponsor the "Coats for Kids" program at St. Joseph's Church and School and our local community. Every year the Knights purchase several dozen children's coats and donates them to local families in need. If any parishioner, school parent, or church/school staff member is aware of a child in need, please provide the child's size to Ms. Connie Savage in the church front office (410-256-1630) and a coat will be discreetly provided. All personal information will be held in strict confidence.

Important Dates

THURSDAY, 10/26

- RRW: Hat Decorating Contest for PreK to 5th Grade
- Chick-fil-a Lunch (pre-orders only)

FRIDAY, 10/27

- RRW: Dress Your Best for Success
- Pumpkin Patch (each student is welcome to choose a pumpkin at dismissal)

Trunk or Treat

MONDAY, 10/30

RRW: All Red Dress Down Day

TUESDAY, 10/31

- Half Day (Dismissal Times: PreK at 11:35, K at 11:45, Gr. 1-8 at 12)
- Black & Orange Dress Down Day
- Red Ribbon Parade 9:30am

WEDNESDAY, 11/1

- No School
- Parent/Teacher Conferences

THURSDAY, 11/2

• Chick-fil-a Lunch (pre-orders only)

SUNDAY, 11/5

• Faith Family Fellowship Mass 10:30am

MONDAY, 11/6

- Intent to Enroll/Re-registration for '24-25 Begins
- SAC's Project Comfort Blanket Drive Begins

TUESDAY, 11/7

• Pizza Lunch (pre-orders only)

WEDNESDAY, 11/8

• Subway Lunch (pre-orders only)

SAVE THE DATE

11/11: Open House for Prospective Families

11/22: Half Day

11/23-11/24: Thanksgiving Break

FULL YEAR CALENDAR

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		06,		BER	2	023
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Faith Family Fellow- ship Mass 10:30am	2 Intent to Return and New Sibling Applications Begins Scout's Uniform Day	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only)	Individual picture Makeup Subway Lunch (Pre-order only)	5 Spirit Wear Day Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only) Principals Scholar Dinner	School Closed AOB PD Day	7
School Mass & Faith and Blue Mass 10:30am	School Closed	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only) Wrapping Paper Sale Ends	Subway Lunch (Pre-order only) Cross Country Race@SJS	I2 Interims Home Email 3-8 Hard Copy Pre-K-2 Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	Intent to Return and New Sibling Applications Due	14
15	16 Winter Uniforms Begin AOB Tuition Assistance Applications open	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only)	Subway Lunch (Pre-order only) 2nd Grade Scarecrow Making Pre-K to Chapel Hill Farm	Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	20 Trunk or Treat Kindergarten to Jones Farm	21
22	23 Red Ribbon Week 10/23-10/31	24	25	26	27 _{Pumpkin Patch Day}	28
		Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only)	Subway Lunch (Pre-order only)	Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	Trunk or Treat Rain Date	
29	30 Red Ribbon Week —	31 Out of Uniform Black & Orange Noon Dismissal Red Ribbon Parade 9:30am				

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		<i>*</i> 0	All Saints Day School Closed Conferences	Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	Out of Uniform for Wrapping Paper Sale	4
5 Faith Family Fellow- ship Mass 10:30am	Re-Registration Begins	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only)	8 8th grade to place flags in cemetery after mass in honor of Veterans Day Subway Lunch (Pre-order only)	G Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	4 Th & 5 th Grades to Trinity Life Play Fall Bingo	Open House
School Mass 10:30am	13	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only)	Subway Lunch (Pre-order only) NJHS Food Drive	Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	17 HSPT Accommodations Due Re-Registration Due Hearing and Vision for all PK,1,4 & 8 and new K	18
PI	20 Hearing and Vision for all PK,1,4 & 8 and new K	21 Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only) Hearing and Vision for all PK,1,4 & 8 and new K	22 Spirit Wear Day Noon Dismissal T1 Ends Parent Access Closes	23 School Closed Thanksgiving	24 School Closed	25
26	27	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only) Giving Tuesday	Subway Lunch (Pre-order only) HSPT 8th Grade	Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)		

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Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Please have your child see Ms. Forline to get an entry form if he or she would like to submit an entry. Additional details are <u>posted on Ms. Forline's website</u>.

Battle of the Books - Now Open to 4th-8th Graders

Join our <u>Battle of the Books Club</u> to read and discuss exciting books with your friends! From November through April, students will read various books recommended by the BCPL and participate in fun and engaging activities to prepare for a battle against other schools in the late Spring. <u>Click here to register your child</u>. If registering more than one child, please register each child separately. Registration will close once maximum capacity is reached.

Wolfpack Athletics



It's going to be the best parents' night out all year!

The SJAA Bull Roast is coming in hot with Early Bird Special pricing! All tickets purchased before December 1 are only \$55. That includes all-you-can-eat pit beef, pit ham and pit turkey, shrimp cocktail, OPEN BAR, and more.

Saturday, February 3 at Columbus Gardens (across from SJS)

Support a great cause... all proceeds benefit the SJAA sports programs. There will be a liquor wheel, money wheel, 50/50 boards, raffles, and door prizes.

Snag your early bird tickets here

We have several sponsorship opportunities available starting at \$50. View sponsorships here.



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