



SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Bulletin

August 31, 2018

Upcoming Events



Monday, September 3
Labor Day/No School

Thursday, September 6
Back to School Night 7-9 pm

Friday, September 7
Mass with Rosary
Back to School Picnic 3:30-5:30

September 10-20
Scantron Testing

Friday, September 14
Fall Portraits

Thursday, September 20
Dress Down Day
SCA Election Speeches

Friday, September 21
SCA Election
Early Dismissal 11:30 am

Wednesday, September 26
K-4 Think Stretch Assembly 8:30

Friday, September 28
Mass with Student of the Month
Early Dismissal 11:30 am
NO Extended Day

Friday, October 5
Mass with Rosary
Monday October 8
Columbus Day-NO School

Friday, October 12
Interims
Race For Education

Please check the school website for the complete calendar.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Greetings SJES Families....

WELCOME BACK. It brings me great joy to see many familiar faces as well as our new students and families. A special note to gratitude goes to our faculty, staff, extended day, and maintenance department for all of your preparations and hard work. There were roughly fifty wonderful men and women that helped us get off to a fantastic start and the best is yet to come.

The Preschool staff has added their final touches to our new building and they wait with baited breath for our little preschoolers to begin next week, what a moment it will be! Bishop Burbidge attended the Diocesan Deacon Picnic last weekend and I am told he had an opportunity to tour our beautiful preschool. It is a time of celebration and we will host a Preschool Dedication Ceremony on Thursday, September 20th immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass to mark this historic event. We are blessed and it is a great time to be a St. John Eagle. To remain informed, please continue to check our school calendar on the website (sjesva.org) for Early Dismissals, Holidays, Upcoming Events, etc. We encourage you to remain actively involved in your children's education. Please check homework online daily and if applicable, your child's agenda. For new families, there is a "homework" tab on our website and our uniform guidelines can also be found under "Resources".

If possible, please join us for our **Back to School Night on Thursday, September 6th at 7:00 pm.** This is a great opportunity to learn more about our school, classroom instruction, and various opportunities that are available at St. John the Evangelist School. Our first PTO Event, The Back to School Picnic, will take place the following day from 3:30-5:30 pm. The cost is only \$7 per family and there will be many activities to keep the little ones entertained. In closing, we are very grateful for the personal and financial sacrifices your family has made to attend St. John the Evangelist. Our faculty and staff look forward to forming a strong partnership with you for the betterment of our students and the Catholic faith. May we continue to grow in God's grace and wisdom.

God bless,

Mr. Temple Macdonald





School and Club News

Power School Updates: Emergency Care and Photo, Press, Audio and Electronic Media Release For Minors

It is now time to update your child's Emergency Care Form and Photo, Press, Audio and Electronic Media Release for Minors forms. Both of these forms are mandatory diocesan forms that have to be updated yearly and the Emergency Care Form is a vital part of our crisis plan. Please take the time to log into PowerSchool and update both forms online. The website to access this information is arlingtondiocese.powerschool.com

If you do not have PowerSchool login information, please email Melissa Quarry at mquarry@sjesva.org.

Handbook/Handbook Agreement

Please review the attached 2018-2019 Elementary School Parent/Student Handbook. The Agreement Form (the last page of the handbook) should be signed by all parents and all middle school students before August 27. This is also a diocesan requirement. [2018-2019 Elementary School Parent/Student Handbook](#)

Extended Day

Extended Day information is attached. Since all students must sign into Extended Day if not picked up in carpool, we ask that ALL families complete this form as well. [Extended Day 2018-2019](#)

Pickup Authorization

Please complete the attached Pick Up Authorization. Please note, any person not listed on the form will not be permitted to pick-up your child without written permission. [Pick up Authorization](#)

Background Checks – Policies for School Parent Volunteers

As part of the diocesan initiative to maintain a safe environment for our children, all volunteers with “substantial contact” with children are required to complete a background check prior to working in the school and to complete VIRTUS training. This includes parents who wish to attend field trips or volunteer in support of classroom activities. Parents are encouraged to complete this paperwork promptly and those who have not yet completed the background check process may request a packet of forms from the school office.

Notes from the Nurse



Immunizations

Virginia law requires that new students and students enrolling in kindergarten provide updated documentation of the Commonwealth of Virginia School Health Form signed by a health care official. Additionally, in accordance with the immunization requirements for the State of Virginia, all 6th grade students must receive a Tdap booster before returning to school in the fall. Please be aware that providing documentation of immunization is a necessary condition for enrollment. Should you have any questions about immunization requirements, please contact our school nurse, Mrs. Catts mcatts@sjesva.org.



Cafeteria

Campus Cuisine offers lunch service for St. John the Evangelist Catholic School. They provide specialties from local restaurants which includes the following restaurants: Subway, Chick-fil-a, Ledo's Pizza and Pasta, Panera Bread and Dominos. You will need to set up your child(ren) with campus cuisine to place orders and for those who have used this program in the past you will need to go in and update your child's information. All orders/changes need to be placed by 12:00pm the day before. Specific details are attached and the new access code is provided. Our cafeteria also offers chocolate milk, 2% white milk and apple juice and water. The order form is attached. We also offer ice cream daily in our cafeteria which ranges from \$.50-\$2.00 which can be purchased daily. Money for ice cream is the only cash accepted in the cafeteria. Also, we feel it is important for all students to eat a well-rounded meal at lunchtime. If your child forgets a lunch and does not remember until lunch time, he/she will be provided with a Forgotten Lunch. A Forgotten Lunch contains: Milk or Water, Peanut Butter and Jelly or Cheese Sandwich, Single serving of Applesauce or Fruit cup and a String Cheese stick. We will notify you that your child received a "Forgotten Lunch" notice. Please have your child return the notice to the school office, along with the **\$4.00** payment. [Campus Cuisine 2018-2019](#) [Milk-Water-Juice Order Form](#)



2018 Fall Clubs



Tennis: Open to boys and girls 5th-8th Grade. Practices start after Labor Day. Contact Mrs. Chapman cchapman@sjesva.org for more information. Tennis will practice on Mondays and Thursdays. The last day for sign up is Friday, September 7th.



Little Flowers Girls Club: Open to girls K-8th Grade. Meetings will be every other Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 pm in the Art Room. First meeting will be Wednesday, September 26th. Contact Mrs. Worley for more information kworley@sjesva.org.



Cross Country: Open to girls and boys grades 3-8 of any level. The team will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:20-4:15 pm until the championship meet on Saturday, November 3rd. Practice will begin next Tuesday, September 4th. Contact Mr. Hechinger for more information rhechinger@sjesva.org



Mass Club: Please consider joining SJS at the daily 6:30 am morning Mass followed by breakfast! For more information please contact Mrs. Evans jevans@sjesva.org



Spanish Club: Will meet on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:00 pm starting in October. Open to middle school students. For more information contact Mrs. Cutting lcutting@sjesva.org



Math Madness: Open to 4th and 5th grade students. Meets on Thursdays from 3:30-4:00 pm in the library. Contact Mrs. Hammelman lhammelman@sjesva.org or Mrs. Brueckl dbrueckl@sjesva.org for information.



Usher Club: Open to students in 5-7 Grade. Students serve as ushers during school Masses. Forms are due by Tuesday, September 11. The first meeting will be on that day at 3:30 pm in the 3rd Grade classroom. Contact Mrs. Evans for more information jevans@sjesva.org.



Third Grade Book Club: Will meet on Tuesdays from 3:20-4:00 pm in the library. Contact Mrs. Hammelman lhammelman@sjesva.org for information.



Middle School Battle of the Books Club: Will meet at lunch on Tuesdays in the library with Mrs. Hammelman. Please contact lhammelman@sjesva.org for information.



Elementary Battle of the Books (4th and 5th Grade) Will meet on Wednesdays during lunch with Mrs. Hammelman lhammelman@sjesva.org and Mrs. Hunt chunt@sjesva.org.

All participants must have a signed Parental Consent Form on file with the club coordinator.

PTO Newsletter

Saint John the Evangelist School Families:

We hope that your families had a relaxing & joyful summer! The PTO calendar has been created for the 2018-19 school year & will soon be available under the PTO tab on school website. We are excited to kick off our school year with the Back to School picnic on September 7 at 3:30pm.

A bit about myself & the board...

Stephanie Lynch-President:

This is my second year serving as SJES PTO president. I am in my sixth year teaching at St. John Preschool and have been in the St. John parish since 2005. My husband, Sean, and I have four children. Riley is in 9th grade at FHS. Coin will begin 7th grade, Alina 4th & Cullen will join the Preschool in September.

Margherita Warhurst-Vice President:

Margherita is extremely involved in TORCH and Girl Scouts. She volunteers regularly in both of her daughter's classes. Gabriella is entering fourth grade and Gretel will start 2nd. She has graciously stepped up to complete the PTO family for 2018-19.

Katie Auer-Secretary:

Katie is beginning her third year teaching at St. John Preschool. She has two daughters that will be joining SJES this year. Samantha will begin 2nd grade & Charlotte will be in Kindergarten. Katie is a member of the staff Health & Wellness committee. She is extremely creative & we are thrilled that she stepped up for SJES.

Grace Barkovic-Treasurer:

Grace will return this year as PTO Treasurer. She has two children; Lana will be in 7th grade & Conlan will be in 1st. Thank you Grace for all of your hard work & dedication.



Important School Events

2018-2019

Parents Back to School Night

Thursday, September 6 7-9PM

Back to School Picnic

Friday, September 7 3:30-5:30

Octoberfest

Friday, September 28 4-9PM

Saturday, September 29 4-9PM

Race for Education

Friday, October 12 8:30-11:30

Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 26 5:30-8PM

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 15th 8:30-11:00AM

Bingo/Chili Cookoff

Friday, January 25, 2019 5:00-9:30PM

Movie Night 3rd-5th

Friday, April 12 3:15-5:30

Spring Gala

Saturday, May 18 6-10PM

Welcome back to St. John the Evangelist School!
Celebrate the new school year with a fantastically fun kick-off
event!
It's going to be a great year!

WELCOME BACK PICNIC

Join us on Friday September 7th 3:30-5:30pm
SJES Recess Field

Cost is \$7 per family

Inflatable Obstacle Course

Bounce House Hot Dogs

Desserts Popcorn

K-5 Families: Please bring a side item

6-8 Families: Please bring a dessert

Enjoy an afternoon with SJES friends-both old and new!

We hope to see you there!

