

St. John the Evangelist Regional  
Catholic School  
Monthly School Newsletter  
February 2019



Principal's Message:

A wonderful, fun and exciting Catholic Schools Week is planned. Please join us when your schedule permits.

St. John the Evangelist Regional Catholic School is a family centered school. A huge thank you to all our loyal, supportive parents who place such a high value on Catholic Education.

Registration/Financial Aid

All of you will receive a registration as well as a financial aid packet on Catholic Schools Sunday. This year you can use your 2017 tax information so that you don't have to wait to apply for aid. But you need to include your 2018 W-2's.

It is very important that you apply for aid as soon as possible to maximize the aid you receive. Your child must be registered in order to apply for aid. \*March 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for applying for aid.

The Community Foundation of Fayette County will accept applications for tuition assistance for our parents. You will receive the application as soon as we receive it. Please apply!!!!

Character Development

As we continue our character development program, the third nine weeks will be concentrating on the value of honesty. We will continue to incorporate respect, responsibility, compassion and caring into the curriculum as well as the everyday life of the students.

Please encourage these values at home. Expect the most of your child and he/she will undoubtedly meet or exceed your expectations.



Valentine's Day

The teachers will have a small Valentine exchange in their rooms at 1:30 on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. The Home and School Association will supply the treats. Mr. & Mrs. Shumar are packing the bags. We thank them in advance. Also, thank you to Mr. Shumar for shopping for the Valentine treats. We are respectfully requesting that no extra treats be sent in! This is in keeping with our character development program, self-discipline, self-control and fairness to all.

**Students may dress-up in red on this day.**



Spaghetti Dinner

Our annual spaghetti dinner will be held on Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. Please see the enclosed flier regarding lunch that day.

Much help is needed both the night before as well as the day of the event. Many of you signed up to help at the spaghetti dinner at the Meet and Greet Night. If you can spare a few hours and have not previously signed up, please contact one of the following or fill out the enclosed form and return to the school office: Any questions call Kelly Fisher 724-984-6174 or Kristen Shumar 412-691-2267.

**\*\*Every family is required to buy/sell at least 10 tickets for the spaghetti dinner. This is the second of three mandatory fundraisers.**

**\*\*Please see the enclosed form for ordering information.**

Deficiencies

Deficiencies will be mailed on Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please review these deficiencies with your child(ren). Also, please contact the teacher(s) who issued the deficiency to try and rectify the problem.

It is so important that the school and home work together to help the children.



### Religious Dates:

Feb. 11 – 9:00 a.m. School Mass (Grade 8)

### Secular Events:

Jan. 31 – 9:30 a.m. Journey Through the Human Body

Feb. 1 – 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Family Night Bingo

Feb. 4-8 Dibels Testing Grades K-3

Feb. 4 – 2:30-3:30 Choir Practice

Feb. 6 - ALL MARATHON MAILERS DUE

Feb. 6 - 6:30 p.m. Core Team Meeting

7:15 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner Meeting

Feb. 6 - Bake Sale – Team Chris

Dress-Down Day \$1.00

Feb. 9 – P.J.A.S Competition at California University

Feb. 14- 1:30 p.m. Valentine Exchange – Students dress up in red.

Feb. 18 – NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day

Feb. 19 – 6:00 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner Prep Work

Feb. 20 – Spaghetti Dinner- Bag lunches available (see flier)

Feb. 21 – Money due to be eligible for the \$25.00 cash box (marathon)

Feb. 22 - Deficiencies will be mailed

Feb. 22 - 1:40 - \$25.00 Cash Box

### WMBS



Our children will be featured on WMBS beginning January 27, 2019. They will be promoting our school for Catholic Schools Week. Thanks to Michelle Hudock for all of her hard work on this project.

### JBALL



JBall has started on Saturday mornings for children in Grades K-3. Thank you to Mr. Justin Goletz. Mrs. Lauren Goletz, Mr. Eric Budner and Ms. Kim Paull for donating their time to help with this activity.

### Open House

We will be having an open house for any new or Prospective families on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-2:00. Please spread the word and encourage any new or prospective families to attend.

### PJAS Competition

The seventh and eight grade students will be competing in the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science competition which will be held on Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at California University. We wish them the best of luck.

Mrs. Chris Rozak is to be commended for her tireless work with these students.



### Marathon

The school marathon will be held on Friday, April 26, 2019 at Hutchinson Park. You will receive your marathon mailers on Catholic School Sunday.

Please return them to the school office by Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> so we can send them at a bulk rate. A special thank-you to Ms. Paull for her excellent work this year on the marathon. Many thanks to all of your prayers, support and cooperation.

### Boxtops

Many thanks to Michelle Hudock for taking care of this fundraiser, as well as to those who have sent the boxtops in. We received a check for \$233.50! Please continue to save them and submit to the school office.

### Lunch Program Policy

Since we are part of the National School Lunch Program, we need to have the following policy: Parents who choose the school lunch program are to pay for lunches in a timely fashion (ie. Weekly, monthly) by cash or check. Parents/guardians will be contacted when their child/ren have a balance owed to the school, so the parents can pay the unpaid balance. Students will continue to receive a regular school lunch even if there is no money in their lunch account, up to a total of \$20.00. When the amount owed reaches \$20.00, students will be given an alternate lunch (cheese sandwich) until the balance is owed has been paid. Students will not be able to purchase ala cart items from the cafeteria if their outstanding balance is over \$20.00

Parents are eligible to apply for free/reduced lunches at the beginning of the school year.



### Thank you to:

- Amy Palya and Cathy Poninsky for the donation of Marathon Prizes.
- Mark Doorley for the marathon prizes.
- Senora Bryan for the donation of Hot Dogs and the faculty for the donation of Pop for family night bingo.
- Pizza Wagon for the donation of Pizzas and for The Clemmer family for picking them up.

### Sports Tickets

If your child(ren) is (are) participating in Sports this year, you will find the sports tickets enclosed. They are due back on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please return them to the school office.

### Parent Envelopes

In order to keep costs to a minimum, we would greatly appreciate EVERY family returning the white parent envelope each month. Thank you for your cooperation!!

### Safe2Say

The Office of the Attorney General has launched a Safe2Say Something Program. This program allows an individual to submit secure and anonymous safety concerns to help identify and intervene upon at-risk individuals before they hurt themselves or others. Our 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders have received training for this during the month of January. Grade 7 will receive training in February

### Wellness Corner



### February Recipe:

#### Incredible Edible Veggie Bowls

- 1 green, yellow, or red pepper, washed
  - 1 bunch of celery, washed
  - 1 carrot, washed and peeled
  - Your favorite salad dressing
1. Cut the pepper in half. Clean out the seeds from the inside. Now you have two pieces. One will be your pepper shaped bowl.
  2. Cut the other half of the pepper into skinny pieces.

3. Cut the carrot into skinny sticks about 4" long.
4. Cut the celery into skinny sticks so each one is about 4" long.
5. Put a little salad dressing in the bottom of your pepper bowl.
6. Put celery sticks, carrot sticks, and pepper slices into the pepper bowl.
7. Now you've got a portable veggie treat! You can pull out the veggies and eat them with a little dressing. Then when you're finished with the veggies, it's time to eat the bowl!

### February Safety Tips: Signs of Dehydration

In addition to being thirsty, here are some signs of dehydration: feeling lightheaded, dizzy, or tired, rapid heartbeat, and dry lips and mouth.

