

St. John the Evangelist
Regional Catholic School
Monthly Newsletter

October 2023



Principal's Message:

We have been in school a month already and time is truly flying. The year has gotten off to a great start. All of our new students and their families have been a welcome addition to our school. I truly want to thank all the faculty, staff, students and parents for their support.

The Month of Mary:

We honor Mary, our heavenly mother, in a special way during the month of October. After lunch, the students pray a decade of the rosary.

Powerschool:

All of our attendance reports are being generated through power school. All the grades are entered now on power school as well.

Also, our report cards are generated through power school.

Enclosed please find the conduct rubrics we will use to justify the conduct grade your child will receive. We had to receive special permission as well as submit the rubrics to the superintendent for approval. We feel that conduct grades are just as important as the subject grades. **VERY IMPORTANT:** You are able to access your child's grades from home. (Grades K-8) All students in Grades K-8 can go on Power School and log into their account using the login information from last year. New parents have received the access numbers about a month ago.

The teachers have 5 days from the day of the test/assignment to post the grades. If your child's tuition becomes delinquent, access to the parent portal will be temporarily terminated until the balance is brought up to date.



Project Wisdom:

Working in conjunction with our character development program, the students hear an inspirational message each morning that will help them to make choices and move their lives in a positive direction. Each message ends with the sentence- "Have a good day or not the choice is yours." We hope this project will continue to motivate the students to make right choices and to treat others as they want to be treated.

Student Council Elections:

We are very proud of all the students who so willingly ran for student council offices.

The results of the elections are as follows:

President: Chase Goletz

Vice President: Willow Lisac

Secretary: (Grade 8): Melina Miller

Treasurer (Grade 8): Gabby Ross

Sergeant-at-Arms (Grade 8): Payton Upton

Treasurer (Grade 7): Andi Zehala

Sergeant-at-Arms (Grade 7): Imari Wilson

Representative (Grade 4): Kamora Bass

Representative(Grade 5): Abby Lipscomb

Representative (Grade 6): Lilley Murtha

Newspaper Co-Editors: Michaela Buchheit/Rachel

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Anti-Bullying Policy:

We have an anti-bullying policy in conjunction with the diocese. Copies of the policy are in the office.

Father/Daughter - Mother/Son Dances:

Father/Daughter dance will be held on Friday, November 17th and the Mother/Son dance will be held on Saturday, November 18th. See insert with more information.

Digital Report Cards:

We are sending report cards digitally instead of paper copies. If you do not have an account set-up thru Power School, please contact Mrs. Hearn. (Grades K-8) Please sign-up by October 20th.

Leo Club:

The SJE Leo Club will have their first meeting on Wednesday, October 11, 2023. Leo Club will meet the second Wednesday of each month. The club is open to students in Grades 6-8. The meetings are held from 2:30-3:30. Thank you to Ms. Hanula, Mrs. Poninsky, and Mrs. Victor for helping with this club. The Leo Club will be collecting old glasses (prescription glasses, reading glasses, and sunglasses) for the Blind Association during the school year.



Religious Event

Oct. 3 – Gr. 5&8 see presentation of “Know Him:
Stunned Disciples at Geibel
Oct. 4- All Schools Mass-Greensburg Gr. 7-8
Oct. 19 – 9:00 a.m. Mass Grade 7
Oct. 26 – 9:00 a.m. Mass Grade 7

Secular Events

Oct. 2 - 2:30-4:30- Girl Scout Meeting
Oct. 4 - 6:30 p.m. Core Team Meeting
Oct. 5 - 12:30 p.m. Early Dismissal - Teacher’s Meeting
Oct. 5 - **\$2.00 Dress Down Day-Pittsburgh Sports Day**
Oct. 9 – 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Choir Practice
Oct. 11 – 2:30-3:30 Leo Club
Oct. 11 – Preschool and Grade K go to Duda’s Farms
Oct. 13 – Conference slips sent home
Oct. 16 - 2:30-4:30- Girl Scout Meeting
Oct. 17 –Picture Retake Day & Pre-3 Pictures
Oct. 23-31 Red Ribbon Week
Oct. 23 - **\$2.00 Dress Down Day**
Oct. 25- Haunted House /Pumpkin Patch
Oct. 27 – 1:00 p.m. Halloween Parade – Dress Down
Oct. 30 – 2:30-3:30 Choir Practice
Oct. 30 - 2:30-4:30- Girl Scout Meeting

Yearbook Ads

Our eighth grade class, along with Mrs. Amy Palya always create a memorable yearbook. On the enclosed flier is the information you will need to know to place an ad.

All eighth grade students are required to solicit at least one full page ad for the yearbook.

All ads are due by December 1st. Please mark your envelope: “Ad Information: Attention Office”

Halloween

Grade 8 will sponsor a Haunted House/Pumpkin Patch on Wednesday, October 25th. The cost is \$1.00. Halloween will be celebrated on Friday, October 27th. The parade will begin at 1:00 and will be held outside (weather permitting). This will be a free DRESS DOWN DAY. We ask that no “devil” costumes be worn. **The Home and School Association provides the treats for Halloween. We respectfully request that no extra treats be sent in. Thank you!**

Picture Retakes

Picture retakes will be taken on Tuesday, October 17th. A flier will be sent home closer to the date. Any child who was absent on picture day will have their picture taken on that day. Pre-3 will also have their pictures taken on this day. If you want your child’s picture retaken, you must bring in your packet you received from Lifetouch.



Boys Basketball and Cheerleading

All registration forms are due for Boys’ Basketball and Girls’ Cheerleading by October 13th. If you need the registration forms, please let the office know and we will send it home for you.

Core Team Ticket:

The Core Team is sponsoring a ticket containing gift cards and merchandise.

The tickets will be available in the office or from any team member the first week of October. The cost of the ticket is \$5.00. There are two numbers on the ticket.

Many thanks to all who purchased gift cards, donated merchandise and money. Because of your generosity, we will make 100% profit on this fundraiser.

School Calendar

We are still taking orders for our School Calendar. The deadline is approaching...please send in your order form by October 31st. (See the enclosed form for information). Also we are still in need of advertisements for our calendar. Please see the enclosed form. **We will only order enough calendars to fill the requests.**



All Schools Mass:

Our junior high students along with all class representatives will be attending Mass with the Bishop at the Cathedral in Greensburg on Wednesday, October 4th at 10:00 a.m.

Olweus Training:

We will continue to have our Olweus Sessions this year. Olweus is a way for our school and our students to address and recognize all aspects of bullying.

Thank you:

*To all the Core Team Members for their help during Grandparents Day.

*Tiffany Miller for the bags of mints for the office.

Field Trip:

Students in Grade 3s 5-8 will experience a very unique presentation entitled “Know Him: Stunned Disciples at Geibel High School on Tuesday, October 3rd from 9:00-11:00. The students will be bussed there. All are welcome.

New Medical Policy:

The Uniontown District has a new medical policy for us to be able to give over the counter medication, cough drops, as well as mints, we must have a doctor’s note stating what needs to be given. Thank you for your cooperation.

WELLNESS CORNER:

October's Nutritional Tip: Banana Bread

Ingredients:

2 eggs	1/2 tsp. Salt
1 3/4 c. sifted flour	1/3 c. vegetable oil
2 tsp. baking powder	2/3 c. sugar
1/4 tsp. baking soda	1 c. mashed bananas

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Beat eggs well in a small bowl.
3. In a medium-size bowl, sift together the flour, baking powder, and salt.
4. In a large bowl, add the vegetable oil. Add the sugar a little bit at a time, and continue beating until the mixture is fluffy.
5. Add the eggs to the mixture in the large bowl and beat well.
6. Add some of the flour mixture to the large bowl and beat well. Then add some of the mashed bananas and beat some more. Continue adding flour, then bananas, then flour, then bananas, until everything is mixed in.
7. Pour mixture into the baking pan. Bake for 70 minutes.
8. Flip your banana bread out of the pan, let it cool for a bit, and cut it into slices to eat and share!

Serves 16



