Good afternoon SJS Community,

Today represents the End of Term 1 – day 45! This means we are a quarter of the way through the school year. This year, as with many others, seems to have flown by. We have had many exciting events and our students have grown academically, socially, and spiritually. Next week, report cards for Kindergarten through Grade 8 will be available online in FACTS on Wednesday afternoon. Preschool and prekindergarten teachers will send home physical checklists next week. Parent-Teacher Conferences will then occur on Thursday (see below for sign-ups). We will also have gently used uniforms for pick up at the Main Entrance.

We had a wonderful week celebrating Halloween and All Saints Day. There were lots of amazing costumes in school on Tuesday (include our faculty Barbies) and then we celebrated Mass and the Litany of Saints together on Wednesday. These are two of our favorite days each year.

Students should make sure they are properly dressed for school in the winter – this includes a coat and possibly a hat and gloves. There will be days soon, and throughout the winter, that students will be required to have a coat to go outside (including middle school students). On these days, students without a coat will have recess in the Main Office.

Reenrollment for our current PS and PK students opened on Wednesday and is due Wednesday, November 15 through FACTS. Enrollment for new preschool and kindergarten students for the 2024-2025 school year is also open. If you have a child that is eligible for one of these grades next year, please reach out to me or Mrs. Sullivan. Also, please spread the word as we anticipate numerous Kindergarten openings.

SJS Calendar

Sunday, November 5 (9:00 am – noon) – Fill a Truck Event (front parking lot)

Week of November 6 - Hallway of Heroes

Tuesday, November 7 – No Canton Buses

Wednesday, November 8 - Report Cards available in FACTS

Thursday, November 9 - Parent-Teacher Conferences (NO SCHOOL)

Friday, November 10 - NO SCHOOL

Thursday, November 16 - Picture Retake Day

Friday, November 17 – Half Day

Friday, November 17 & Saturday November 18 - SJS Drama Presents *Mary Poppins, Jr.*

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SJS Drama will present Mary Poppins, Jr. on Friday, November 17 & Saturday November 18 at 7:00 pm. Tickets are on sale now at https://our.show/sjscanton-mpj. Our students will also see a production on Thursday, November 16. See attached for a flyer. Come and see a supercalifragilistic expialidocious performance.

Second Notices

SJS SpiritWear

The SJS SpiritWear store is now open! It will be open until November 12 to ensure that all orders are received in time for Christmas. There are some new items, including new basketball gear. Visit https://sjsholiday2023.itemorder.com/shop/home/ to check it out and place an order.

SJS Calendar Drive

The SJS Cash Calendar Drive is live. As a reminder:

- -Calendars will be sold through November 30th
- -Our goal is for each student to sell at least 10 Calendars
- -Each calendar is \$10 payable by Venmo (@SJScanton) or check (made payable to St. John School)
- -If you have any questions, please reach out to Kerri Burke (kerriburkeesq@gmail.com) or Liz Drew (liz.drew2@gmail.com)
- Click here for an electronic calendar

- Click here for a Cash Calendar FAQ
- <u>Click here</u> for a list of student incentives Happy SELLING and as always, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Hallway of Heroes

Our annual *Hallway of Heroes* tribute will be up on the First Floor next week. There is still time to send in a photograph of family members who serve or have served in the military in uniform if possible. This memorial to our heroes means a great deal to our school community. Please check it out at Parent-Teacher Conferences.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-Teacher Conferences will occur on Thursday, November 9.

- -For PS-grade 3, please click here for a sign up.
- -For grades 4 and 5, please click here for a sign up.
- -For our middle school, each teacher will have a table in the gym. They will be available from 8:15-noon, 1:00-4:30, and 5:30-7:00.

Protect the Protectors Clothing Drive for Veterans Association Grade 8 is partnering with Grades 2 and 3 to sponsor a clothing drive for the Veterans Association, which supports the struggling veterans in our area. They are collecting socks, hats, blankets, gloves, and hand/foot warmers. The drive will run through November 17. There are boxes for donations in the Main Entrance and the Gym Entrance. Please consider donating to this organization to support their work.

National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Tutoring

NJHS tutoring is offered every Thursday from 3:15 – 4:15. These sessions are open to Kindergarten to Grade 2 students. There is no need to sign up, just make sure your child's teacher knows they are going. Pick up is at the Main Entrance at 4:15.

Helpful Links

Ebackpack - https://www.sjscanton.org/e-backpack 2023-2024 Calendar - Click here

Chris