

Good afternoon SJS Community,

November is always an interesting month at St. John School with so many interruptions. However, we still get in a lot of academics learning and fun celebrations. This week we are celebrating the Veterans in our school community. Our Hallway of Heroes is a stunning depiction of service. Please spend some time on the first floor checking out these photos and stories before or after conferences. This week we also celebrated Drawing God Day. We listened to a reading of the book on Monday and then each student "drew God." These pictures are up at the Main Entrance and will bring a lot of joy to your hearts.

Report cards for Kindergarten through Grade 8 are now available online in FACTS. Preschool and prekindergarten teachers sent home physical checklists this week as well. Please remember that Parent-Teacher Conferences will occur tomorrow. The doors to the Main Entrance and Gym Entrance will be open from 8:15 to just before 7:00.

-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.

We will also have gently used uniforms for pick up at the Main Entrance.

Two quick reminders

-Students need to bring a coat every day to school. There will be days they will not be allowed to go to recess unless they have one.

-There is no parking in the section in front of the school at drop off.

There are cones leading the way in and out but parking is not allowed as it becomes too congested.

## **SJS Calendar**

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.*

Wednesday, November 22 - Friday, November 24 – NO SCHOOL

### **St. Oscar Romero Christmas Cantata**

The St. Oscar Romero Christmas Cantata with Nativity Pageant will be held on Saturday, December 16 at 7:00 pm. The Cantata is a multimedia event telling the story of Christ's birth including narrated nativity tableaux, a supplemental slideshow, a sing-along, a Christmas tree lighting, and hot chocolate and cookies! The Cantata is open to children in grades 1-6. You do not have to be a parish member to participate. [Click here](#) for more information and to sign up your child to take part in the Nativity Pageant.

### *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 30<sup>th</sup>
- 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](mailto:kerriburkeesq@gmail.com)) or Liz Drew ([liz.drew2@gmail.com](mailto:liz.drew2@gmail.com))
- [Click here](#) for an electronic calendar
- [Click here](#) for a Cash Calendar FAQ
- [Click here](#) for a list of student incentives

Happy SELLING and as always, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

#### *Reenrollment for PS and PK*

Reenrollment for our current PS and PK students is open and is due Wednesday, November 15 through FACTS. Enrollment for new preschool and kindergarten students for the 2024-2025 school year is also open.

*SJS Drama Presents Mary Poppins, Jr.*

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 supercalifragilisticexpialidocious performance.

*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](#)

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