

Good afternoon SJS Community,

Thank you to the SJS Parent Group for the yummy treats for Teacher Appreciation Week. We really felt the love and support. Thank you to the Vlahos and Buoniconti Families for their donations and Liz Drew for setting everything up. I am blessed school administrator to work with such an amazing group of teachers. They love your children, set rigorous standards, and strive to meet the needs of all students.

Good luck to the cast and crew of Beauty and the Beast, Jr. We were treated to an awesome school performance yesterday and were taught the Cup Dance on Monday. Thank you to the amazing Mrs. Palmer and all of her helpers. There are still few tickets (and I do mean a few) available for performances. Visit <https://www.onthestage.tickets/show/st-john-the-evangelist-school/>.

Congratulations again to all our students who celebrated their First Communion over the weekend. It was a beautiful Mass attended by lots of family and friends. Grade 2 then led our Ascension Thursday Mass and will crown Mary on Monday. A busy, awesome few days for a wonderful group of students.

Next week we will start our spring MAP testing. As a reminder, MAP is the standardized assessment that we give twice a year for students in Kindergarten through Grade 8. It is an adaptive test that provides us a wealth of important information. We use the data for teaching and learning as well as curriculum development. After the MAP is complete, we will celebrate our students who scored in the 99th percentile for achievement or growth in either math, reading, or language usage. As an FYI, we do retest some students if we feel their results are not representative – as we all know, sometimes we have off days. We love the spring MAP assessment as it shows how much our students have grown over the academic year. You will receive your child(ren)'s results at the end of the school year.

Three quick notes about drop off and pick up, fully realizing the issues that Canton is currently having with traffic and construction on Washington Street. For drop off, please do not park in the middle spots with the no parking sign. You can instead park on the side or in the back of the school, where there is plenty of parking available each day. Parking in these spots is a safety concern for families walking through the parking lot. Also, if you are walking your child to the front door, you must stay with them until they enter the building. Finally, I have also fielded numerous complaints from residents at the Canton

Housing Authority facility next door concerning SJS parents taking their parking spots and ensuing difficult conversations. Please be aware that those spots are not St. John School parking spaces.

One additional thank you – thank you Jen Millington for filling our front door planters – they add life to our school!

SJS Calendar

Friday May 10 and Saturday May 11 – Beauty and the Beast

Monday, May 13 (8:45 am) – May Crowning (Mary Garden)

Monday, May 13 (6:00 – 7:00 pm) – Middle School Transition Meeting

Friday, May 17 (5:30 – 8:00 pm) – Mother-Son Night

Thursday, May 23 (6:00 pm) – Graduation (St. Oscar Romero Church)

Creative Theater Club for Kindergarten/Prekindergarten

Mrs. Palmer is offering a 4 week after school drama club for students in Kindergarten and Prekindergarten. Students will meet May 21, May 28, June 4, and June 11 from 3:15 – 4:30. The club will culminate with a brief performance on June 11 at 4:30. The cost is \$40/child and will be billed through FACTS. Email Mrs. Sullivan if you would like to sign up your child. See flyer for details.

Student Services Update

[Click here](#) to read an exciting update concerning student services at St. John School.

Second Notices

Mother-Son Night

SJS Mother-Son Night will occur on Friday, May 17 from 5:30 – 8:00 in the back SJS parking lot. [Click here](#) for a flyer. Cost is \$25/son and should be paid via Venmo to @SJSCanton.

CORI Form for 2024-2025

[Click here](#) for the 2024-2025 CORI form. The original filled out form (including social security number information) must be returned to Mrs.

Sullivan. Parents must have an active CORI check each year to volunteer in any setting with children.

Canton Resident Busing Application

[Click here](#) for the Canton Public Schools busing application for Canton residents only.

The Pink Door semi-formal dress drive

Former SJS student Alivia Hennessey founded The Pink Door to provide underprivileged girls an opportunity to have a dress to attend semi-formal events. SJS is hosting a semi-formal dress drive over the next few weeks where families can donate gently used dresses. There will be a bin in our front entrance. [Click here](#) for details.

SJS Summer Camps

Registration for SJS Summer Camps is open. [Click here](#) for details and [click here](#) for a registration.

National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Tutoring

NJHS tutoring occurs every Thursday from 3:15 – 4:15 through May 30 and is open to students in Kindergarten to Grade 3. Pick up is at the Main Entrance.

Helpful Links

Ebackpack - [Click here](#)

2023-2024 Calendar - [Click here](#)

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Chris