

Good afternoon SJS Community,

At St. John School, the 100th day of school is always an important one that we celebrate, particularly at the kindergarten level, usually in February. Did you know we are over halfway there? Tuesday was Day 50! The school year continues to roll along, right into Thanksgiving next week.

Thank you to all our parents who attended Parent-Teacher conferences last week and to our teachers who spent all of Friday having great conversations with parents. Parent-Teacher conference days at SJS are both awesome and exhausting! They allow for a stronger teacher-parent-school relationship, which is what this school is built on.

As a reminder, preschool and kindergarten enrollment is open for new students for the 2022-2023 school year. [Click here](#) to apply and share. We do have a few open seats in preschool and possibly in kindergarteten.

As the weather gets colder, I want to offer two reminders to parents.

- We will go outside for recess unless it is excessively cold (I have a nice little chart in my office with temperature and wind chill) so please have your child(ren) bring appropriate outside clothes – coat, hat, gloves.
- Per the SJS Dress Code, only SJS jackets, sweatshirt, and fleeces are allowed in school. No other outerwear is permissible in the building.

While we are excited to see many of our younger students start the vaccination process, it is still important to remember that we are not yet through the pandemic. We need to continue to be vigilant in our everyday actions and decisions. With this in mind, we will not have a whole school Christmas Concert this year. The complexities of bringing together our students and families in the Church is too much. We have a half day scheduled for Thursday, December 23 for the Christmas Concert. We will now cancel school for that day. So, no school on Thursday, December 23, which means Christmas Vacation starts a day early.

SJS Calendar

Wednesday, November 24 – Friday, November 26 – NO SCHOOL

Monday, December 6 – Picture Retake Day

Thursday, December 9 – Christmas Shoppe

Friday, December 10 – Half Day (NO AFTERCARE)

Thank you

December Lunch

The December lunch order form is attached. Please use the form attached and email to sjslunch@sjscanton.org before Thursday, December 2 at noon.

December Mass Schedule

Grades 6 – Thursday, December 2

Grade 2 and 3 – Tuesday, December 7

Grades 1 and 7 - Wednesday, December 8

Grades K and 8– Thursday, December 9

Grades 4 and 5 - Tuesday, December 14

Picture Retake Day

Picture retakes are for students who were absent and anyone who is unhappy with their original package. Unwanted packages will need to be brought on Picture Retake Day in exchange for a retake.

Second Notices

Calendar Drive

The SJS Parent Group's 2nd annual Cash Calendar Drive is open! [Click here](#) for more information. Calendars are \$10 and can be purchased through Venmo (@SJScanton) or with a check. [Click here](#) for a calendar and [click here](#) for a list of exciting student prizes.

Helpful Links

Ebackpack - <https://www.sjscanton.org/e-backpack>

Service Hours Tracker - <https://tinyurl.com/SJSService21-22>

Virtus Training – to www.virtusonline.org

2021-2022 School Calendar - [Click here](#)

Chris