

Good afternoon SJS Community,

Happy Advent! This week we have been celebrating hope and starting to prepare for Christmas. Also, did you know that today was day 60? It represents 1/3 of the school year!

We have a few Advent/Christmas events coming up at SJS over the next three weeks. Here is a quick peak.

Christmas Shoppe – Thursday, December 9 (see below for details)

Christmas Tree Class Decorating Contest – Week of December 13

SJS Drama presents *Elf* – Week of December 13 (see below for details)

Donation Dress Down Day for St. Vincent de Paul – Friday, December 17 (see below for details)

Ugly Sweater Dress Down Day – Tuesday, December 21

Green and Red/Santa's Workshop Dress Down Day – Wednesday, December 22

Also, if you have a family Christmas Card, SJS would love a copy to hang in our Main Office. Each year we love seeing all of our amazing family's cards!

We are doing an awesome job with our Cash Calendar Drive, raising over \$10,000 so far. Please remember that calendars are on sale and are \$10. They can be purchased through Venmo (@SJScanton) or with a check.

[Click here](#) for more information.

[Click here](#) for a calendar.

[Click here](#) for a list of exciting student prizes.

SJS Calendar

Monday, December 6 – Picture Retake Day

Tuesday, December 7 – Open House

Thursday, December 9 – Christmas Shoppe

Friday, December 10 – Half Day (NO AFTERCARE)

Thank you

-Thank you to the Kubiak family for our beautiful Christmas-decorated planters in front of the school.

Christmas Shoppe

The SJS Christmas Shoppe is back in person on Thursday, December 9! This is a wonderful way for your child to shop for gifts for those special people in their lives. Please see the attached for more details – students will also be bringing home envelopes and lists on Monday.

Elf

The SJS Drama Club will present *Elf* on Friday, December 17 and Saturday, December 18 at 7:00 pm and Saturday, December 19 at 2:00 pm. Ticket sales are live and you can purchase at <https://bpt.me/531347>. Performances are limited to 200 people and Friday night is already sold out so order quickly. Please see attached for a flyer. All students in grades kindergarten and above will be treated to a school performance during the week of December 13.

St. Vincent de Paul Donation Dress Down Day

Each year at St. John School, our students make a Christmas donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help a wonderful organization serve those in need. In the past this was a food drive but the pandemic has pushed us to have a donation dress down day. This year the St. Vincent de Paul Donation Dress Down Day will be held on Friday, December 17. Students can bring in a few dollars as a donation to dress down. In addition, families can donate on December 17 through our Venmo account (@SJScanton - please list St. Vincent in memo).

Second Notices

Reenrollment

Reenrollment is now open for all students and you should have received an email earlier this week. Reenrollment can be done through the Family Portal (www.factsmgt.com). After logging in, click on Apply/Enroll in the left menu and then click on the Enrollment/Reenrollment link. You will also pay the \$300 seat deposit at this time.

Preschool Open House and Enrollment

We are holding a preschool Open House on Tuesday December 7. They are by appointment only. Please feel free to share the attached. Preschool enrollment is open for new students for the 2022-2023 school year. [Click here](#) to apply and share.

December Mass Schedule

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.

Helpful Links

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

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

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

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