Good afternoon SJS Community,

October is the Month of the Rosary and next week we will pray the Rosary with our school community. Praying the Rosary allows us to be with Mary (our intercessor) and to celebrate and learn about the mysteries of Jesus. We will start on Monday morning with some conversation about the Rosary and then each day we will pray a decade together. If your child has a Rosary, please send it with them. We love to see the many different Rosaries that each child brings – each one having a special meaning and story. I know that the Rosaries I have in my office (and at home) each have a distinct history and story that is very meaningful to me and my family. They were given to me by special people in my lives or represent a special place I want to remember.

The SJS Parent Group has released a survey for parents. The survey is an opportunity to let the Parent Group know more about yourself and how you might want to be involved at SJS. There are many service opportunities at SJS, and we are always looking for people with special talents. Access the survey at <u>https://forms.gle/pzyon2aR766XQpTE8</u>.

Next two weeks, Student Council will be selling bracelets for Breast Cancer Awareness Month to raise money for the Breast Cancer Research Foundation. The bracelets are two dollars each and will be sold throughout the school day and after school. Students will be allowed to wear these bracelets for the rest of October. Please join Student Council in supporting this organization and their research efforts.

SJS Calendar

Tuesday, October 17 (3:15 – 5:00) – Superhero Party

Friday, October 27 – Grandparents Day and HALF DAY

Saturday, October 28 - Trunk O Treat

Tuesday – October 31 – Halloween Dress Up & Last day for Warm Weather Uniforms

Wednesday, November 1 (9:00 am) – All School Mass (All Saints Day)

Friday, November 3 – End of Term 1

November Lunches

Lunch ordering for November is open through FACTS. Orders must be in by Friday, October 27 at noon. NOTE - We have shifted pizza to Tuesday on three of the weeks which lack Friday school days.

Halloween

All students are welcome to dress up in Halloween costumes on Tuesday, October 31. Costumes need to be school appropriate (no masks or weapons). Teachers may send out more specific details about the day.

Warm Weather Uniforms

The last day for warm weather uniforms is Tuesday, October 31. That basically means no shorts starting on November 1. It is also that time of year when students need to start brining jackets for outdoor recess.

Second Notices

Enrollment for the 2024-2025 School Year

Enrollment for new preschool and kindergarten students for the 2024-2025 school year is open. If you have a child that is eligible for one of these grades next year, please reach out to me or Mrs. Sullivan.

Superhero Party

Our annual Superhero Party hosted by Grade 8 and Ms. McGrath will return on Tuesday, October 17 from 3:15 – 5:00. PK through Grade 3 students are invited to this fun-filled fabulous event. <u>Click here</u> for a sign up. This is a major fundraiser for our Grade 8 students.

Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day will occur on Friday, October 27. Preschool through Grade 3 is at 9:30 and Grade 4 through Grade 8 is at 10:30. This is a half day and early dismissals are very welcome. <u>Click here</u> for an official invite. <u>Click here</u> for an FAQ.

Trunk O Treat

The SJS Parent Group will host its annual Trunk O Treat event on Saturday, October 28 in the front parking lot. <u>Click here</u> for details.

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 - <u>https://www.sjscanton.org/e-backpack</u> 2023-2024 Calendar - <u>Click here</u>

Chris