

Good afternoon SJS Community,

What a Catholic Schools Week we had!

-We started off on Saturday with an awesome SJS Parent Group sponsored Music Bingo. Everyone had an amazing time. Thank you to Emily Peixoto for organizing.

-On Monday, Student Council started us off with what they love about SJS. Students then got a fun gift (inspirational pencil and little Jesus) as well as a Hoodsie (thank you Duganiero/Citrano Families). We then had an amazing Talent Show. Thank you to Student Council, Mrs. Novogratz and Mrs. Fleming for organizing. It takes a lot of courage to get up and perform in front of the school. Everyone was amazing. Special thanks for our classes – PK, Kindergarten, and Garde 1 for bringing the whole class talent.

-On Tuesday we had a fantastic day of Color Wars. Thank you to Mrs. Palmer and Mr. Francis for organizing. Congratulations to Grade 4 for winning a \$500 donation to the St. Anthony's Food Pantry. Our classes also learned about and thanked community organizations. We finished the day with an SJS Parent Group meeting – thank you to everyone who attended. Some awesome Gala plans were discussed – be on the lookout!

-On Wednesday we celebrated our parishes. Thank you to Grade 4 for leading Mass. At Mass, we awarded our 2025 McLellan Awards to two phenomenal Grade 6 students. Congratulations to Ava Novogratz and Sophia Celia. Grade 2 experienced their First Reconciliation – a huge step in their faith journeys. Congratulations to the 22 sacramental participants. We finished up the day with our Spelling Bee which was a battle. Congratulations to Nathan Parillon for winning. Our top three, Nathan as well as Ryan Roberts and James Ross all move forward to the Regional Spelling Bee in March.

-On Thursday, we dressed as and thanked our parents. Thank you for being so awesome – as the gift said – YOU ROCK! We were also able to get through over 130 calls home to thank mom and dad – always a highlight of the week.

-Today we finished the week thanking our teachers. Students did a great job dressing as a teacher and showing their appreciation. Teachers got an extended lunch – thank you SJS Parent Group for the lunch as well as helping with the student's extra recess. Teachers also had a fun game of gift card roulette. We also were able to offer applications for induction to the National Junior Honor Society to 20 students, who each had a 90% or above average in middle school.

And to top it all off – Report Cards are now available online for all students. Congratulations to our Middle School Honor Roll students – see attached.

Have an awesome weekend.

## **SJS Calendar**

Friday, February 7 (9:00 am) – Mass (hosted by Grade 3)

Friday, February 7 (3:15 – 5:00 pm) – Teddy Bear Tea

Wednesday, February 12 – No PM Buses

Wednesday, February 12 & Thursday, February 13 (7:00 pm) – SJS Drama's *Frozen, Kids*

### **SJS Drama Club's Production of *Frozen, Kids***

We will have two public performances of *Frozen, Kids* – Wednesday, February 13 and Thursday, February 14 at 7:00 pm. There are no physical or online tickets sold for these shows. It is general admission with a suggested donation of \$5 per person at the door. There will be a donation bucket and Venmo is always an option.

### *Second Notices*

#### *Teddy Bear Tea*

Our Teddy Bear Tea Party will take place on Friday, February 7 from 3:15 – 5:00 in the Gym. [Click here](#) for details.

#### *SJS Summer 2025 Camps*

St. John School Summer Camp registration is open for the weeks of June 16 and June 23 as well as June 12 and 13 and a special Step into Kindergarten Camp on June 30 – July 2. [Click here](#) to learn more and [click here](#) for sign up.

#### *Financial Aid for the 2025-2026 School Year*

The financial aid application for the 2025-2026 school year is open through FACTS (<https://factsmgt.com/aid>). Financial Aid applications are due March 15, and we will make decisions in early April.

#### *National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Tutoring*

NJHS tutoring is offered every Thursday from 3:15–4:15 and is open to Kindergarten to Grade 2 students. Pick up is at 4:15.

#### *Helpful Links*

Ebackpack - [Click here](#)

2024-2025 Calendar - [Click here](#)

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