

Good morning SJS Community,

What an amazing Catholic Schools Week we just had! One of the themes that I spoke to students about all week is being well rounded. We are proud that at SJS, we produce students who are faith filled, rigorous learners who persevere and grow. These students also try and excel at many different things – they sing, they build, they play basketball, they read, they spell, they play instrument, they dance, they learn Spanish, they tell jokes, they have fun. I think we also should know that well roundedness is a hallmark of SJS as well. The last five days demonstrate this idea.

-We started on Monday with compliment circles at our AM assembly. Students then received a nice inspirational notebook and a hoodsie treat. This was followed by an amazing Talent Show. We had almost 30 acts perform – lots of singing and dancing and other awesome talents.

-On Tuesday we celebrated amazing community organizations with baskets and cards and gifts. We also crowned a Geography Bee champion – Congrats to Will H!

-On Wednesday we gave parents a new SJS sticker and made them some cards. We also made lots of calls home to thank moms and dads. Exactly half of our students were able to call home – lots of smiles and giggles.

-On Thursday we celebrated St. Oscar Romero parish and showed our pride as a parish elementary school. We also had a fantastic Grade 1 ukulele concert. This was followed by our Spelling Bee – Congrats to our champion – Grace C.

-On Friday we celebrated our teachers. Thank you to the SJS Parent Group for the awesome lunch. Our teachers also led our whole school at Mass where we also got to experience the Blessing of the Throats for the Feast of St. Blaise. At Mass we also awarded the Rev. Michael McLellan Scholarship to two amazing sixth graders – Congrats to Abby Gallagher and Dio Vessiropoulos.

Today we also sent out our Term 2 Report Cards and released our Middle School Honor Roll (see attached). The end of Term 2 is also time for us to invite select middle school students to apply for the National Junior Honor Society. Today a staggering 27 students were invited to apply to join our NJHS, the largest number we have ever seen.

As you can tell, this was one fabulous, fun filled week!

## **SJS Calendar**

Friday, February 10 – No PM Buses, Teddy Bear Tea (3:15 – 5:00)

Tuesday, February 14 – Donation Dress Down Day (American Heart Association)

Thursday, February 16 (7:00 pm) – Aristocats Drama Production (\$5 donation at the door)

## **March Lunch Ordering**

March lunch ordering is open on FACTS. Orders must be placed by Friday, February 24 at noon.

## **Grade 8 Hilliard Candy Bar Sales**

Grade 8 will be selling Hilliard's candy bars again starting next week as a fundraiser for their trip to New York City.

## *Second Notices*

### *SJS Summer Camps*

St. John School will be offering Summer Camps for the weeks of June 19 and June 26. These camps will be supervised by our teachers and are limited to SJS students (current and incoming). [Click here](#) for more information and [click here](#) for a registration.

### *Financial Aid Applications for 2023-2024*

The financial aid application for the 2023-2024 school year is open through FACTS - <https://factsmgt.com/aid>. Financial Aid applications are due March 10, and decisions will be made in early April.

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

NJHS tutoring occurs on Thursdays from 3:15 – 4:15 and is open to students in Kindergarten - Grade 3. This is an opportunity for younger students to get extra support and to get to know an older student.

## *Helpful Links*

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

*Service Hour Tracking Information* - [click here](#)

*Tuition for 2023-2024* - [click here](#)

*2022-2023 School Calendar* - [click here](#)

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