

Good morning St. John School,

Happy last Friday in July. I hope each of you are staying cool in this oppressive heat (or are somewhere that is nice and cool and fun). We are now one month away from teachers reporting back to SJS for the school year. Next week is when we start to open SJS back up (although the school is 90% clean and teachers have already been setting up their rooms).

Our new field is about 95% complete and looks awesome. I will send out a more informative email and thank you when we finish it. There are lots of thank yous owed.

You are going to start to hear from me more - you can expect at least a weekly email from here out. The week of August 7 you will get our big summer email with information on lunch, aftercare, Student Handbook, etc. In the meantime, I have a few small updates today. Also, please remember I am always available via email to answer questions.

Open Positions

We are currently searching for a part time Spanish teacher. We are also looking for a long-term sub for Mrs. McMillan from August 28 – November 10. If you have any leads, please let me know.

Open Seats

We still have a few open seats. One in Kindergarten and two in Grade 4. We also have one Tuesday/Thursday slots open in our preschool. Please share and let me know of any leads.

Middle School Social Studies Two Week Substitute

Mrs. Ross will be taking a two week leave at the beginning of the school year to recover from surgery. In her place, we have the return of Mrs. Julie Billingsley! Mrs. Billingsley has graciously agreed to teach middle school social studies for a few weeks. It will be wonderful to welcome her back into the building.

New Parent Orientation

We will be holding a New Parent Orientation on Wednesday, August 23 at 6:00 in the Gym. This will be about an hour, and you will have an opportunity to ask any

lingering questions and get one last tour of the building. If you are new to SJS, this is a nice opportunity to meet other new parents.

Student Orientations

Two other dates important dates for some families. Grade 6 Orientation will be on Tuesday, August 29 (Noon – 2:30 pm). Mrs. Bowers will be reaching out with details. Preschool/Prekindergarten Visit Days are Wednesday and Thursday, August 30 and 31. Mrs. O’Sullivan and Mrs. Brooks will be reaching out with more details.

Summer Meet Ups

Room Parents will be reaching out to schedule some meet and greets in August. This is a great opportunity to ease into the school year.

SJS Calendar

Wednesday, August 30 – First Day of School for Kindergarten – Grade 8

Tuesday, September 5 – First Day of School for PS and PK

Second Notices

CORI and VIRTUS

Please send in your CORI forms for the 2023-2024 school year. Also, if you want to volunteer you must have completed VIRTUS (www.virtusonline.org).

Helpful Links

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

2023-2024 School Calendar - [Click here](#)

Chris