



St. Joseph Catholic School

"Nurturing the Mind, Body, and Spirit"

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April 20, 2018 Newsletter

INCLUDED IN PACKET

- Newsletter – 2 pages, e-mailed & website
- PE Uniforms order form for 18/19 - Grs. 2-7 - packet
- Gr. 5 - Letter concerning required vaccines - in packet - details in newsletter
- SVD Scholarship Application - Grs. 4-7 - packet

COMING NEXT WEEK

04/21/18 – Saturday:

- SJS Fun Run - 9:00am
- SJS 5K Run - 10:00am

04/22/18 – Sunday:

04/23/2018 - Monday:

- Wear your SJS Pridewear
- Fun Run FREE Dress Day - must have coupon
- ISTEP+ Testing
- Swimming Permission slips are due

04/24/18 - Tuesday:

- Part 2 ISTEP+ Testing

04/18/18 - Wednesday:

- Part 2 ISTEP+ Testing
- Menu change - we are serving Chili Cheese Dogs instead of chicken nuggets
- Early Dismissal - 2:30PM
- Summer Reading Presentation - Adams Public Library - Grs. K-3 - 9:15am

04/19/18 - Thursday:

- Part 2 ISTEP+ Testing
- Wear Comfy Clothes - please refer to Mr. Kieffer's column
- Mandatory Meeting for 8th grade students & parents - DC trip papers will be signed - 6:30pm

04/20/17: Friday:

- All-School Mass - dress nice
- PE uniform order and money due
- Part 2 ISTEP+ Testing

From the desk of Mr. Kieffer:

MUSIC TEACHER NEEDED

The music position has been posted on the diocesan website for some time, but I have avoided confusing the Parish Music Director position at the parish with our need for a school music teacher. Our opening will begin to appear next weekend in the bulletin. If you know of someone who would be interested in teaching at St. Joe, please let them know of our full-time music position.

SCHOOL SAFETY

We constantly look to improve school safety. With each drill that is practice, we find ways to tweak current procedures. Throughout the school year, we practice fire and tornado drills, as we have always done, but we also practice other crisis drills as well. We practice reunification procedures, lock-downs, lock-outs, and reverse drills, where we try to get students back in the school as quickly as possible. When drills are conducted they include the school, preschool, and daycare students. We take your child's safety very seriously, but it is a never ending battle to stay in front of every scenario possible, but we try to envision how we would respond to a threat, however unlikely, and what is needed to increase student safety. Because of this, we are working to secure funding through a school safety grant to make upgrades to our school intercom/bell system, cameras, and doors. Our goal is to make improvements that will allow us to notify first responders in a more timely fashion, lock down the classrooms in an emergency more quickly, and to allow access to our camera system by first-responders should the need arise.

OOPS

4th grader, Janessa Lengerich was omitted from our distinction honor roll list. We apologize for the error. Congratulations, Janessa!

MILLENNIUM MADNESS WINNER

04/16/18 - #996: Congratulations to Wayne & Karen Porter. They won \$200 in cash. The winning ticket was sold by Hope Wellman.

CRIMINAL CHECKS AND RE-CHECKS

If you are planning to join your child on a field trip, you **MUST** have a check on file in the office. If you have any questions concerning your check you may email Debbie Myers at dsmyers@sjdecatur.org

SJS INFORMATION CENTER

“Bellmont Girls Youth Volleyball Camp”:

WHO: Girls in grades K-4

WHEN: Saturdays: Apr. 28, May 5, 12, 19

TIME: 9:00-10:30am

WHERE: BHS Main Gym

Youth volleyball athletes will get to spend time with Belmont volleyball players and coaches while learning the skills of passing, setting, hitting and serving. Girls will be instructed in the fundamentals of these skills while creating a fun and enjoyable atmosphere.

Forms are available in the SJS Information Center.

St Joe HASA Fun Run April 21st at 9:00am

5k April 21st at 10:00am

Early Registration Due Monday April 9th

Volunteers needed for race day. If you are able to help please contact Erika at 724-2765

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Save the Date
July 23 thru July 26

Details will be coming home in a couple of weeks.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SCHOLARSHIP

SVD is once again giving scholarships to students entering grades 4-7 for the 18/19 school year. An application is in your packet. Please return them by April 26. Members of SVD will review them on April 27th.

GR. 5 - REQUIRED VACCINES

In the fall of 2010, the Indiana State Board of Health required additional vaccines for all students entering grade 6. More details are on the form which is included in your packet. Students must have this required vaccine before they can enter the 6th grade (August 10, 2018) or show documentation that they have received the vaccine.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

APRIL 16 through MAY 4 - ISTEP+ TESTING

Please check with your child's teacher on days that they will be testing before making appointments during the testing window.

Save the date - The 2018 St Joe HASA Fun Run will be Saturday, April 21st. Fun Run at 9am. 5k at 10 am.

April 26, 2018 - 6:30pm

Mandatory Meeting for 8th parents and students. DC trip papers will be signed and details about the trip will be discussed.

May 22, 2018 - 8th Grade Graduation Mass - 6:30pm

May 23, 2018 - Last day of school for students - 8th grade attends all day

May 23, 2018 - Awards presented at Mass - 8:05am
