# Saint John the Evangelist School

# Weekly e-Bulletin

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

The mission of St. John the Evangelist School is to integrate Catholic philosophy with academic excellence.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families and Friends,

"Spring flew swiftly by, and summer came...The great trees, which had looked bare in the earlier months, had now burst into strong life and health; and stretching forth their green arms over the thirsty ground, converted open spots into choice nooks, where was a deep and pleasant shade from which to look upon the wide prospect, steeped in sunshine, which lay stretched out beyond. It was the prime and vigour of the year; all things were glad and flourishing."

—Charles Dickens, Oliver Twist

As I read this excerpt from Oliver Twist, it made me think of all the growth I have seen in your children this year. They have grown in knowledge, character, and confidence. As we come down the stretch of this school year, let's all work together to make the most of these final days.

#### Some Reminders:

- If you have a child in Junior Kindergarten and you have older children in school and you want then to attend the graduation ceremony, we will need a note from you requesting they attend. Please note that these children will attend the ceremony only and will return to school afterward.
- If you child wants to participate in the Talent Show, please see the announcement and permission slip below.
- I will not be in school next week. My youngest daughter is getting married out of town. If you have any concerns, please see Mrs. Sloan.

I wish you all a happy and relaxing Memorial Day weekend.

Sincerely, Margaret Durney Principal

## WEEKLY SCHOOL CALENDAR

Thurs., 5/24, NO SCHOOL FOR JUNIOR K through Grade 3, El Golfo Fundraiser

Fri., 5/25, School closed, Pastor's Day

Mon., 5/28, School closed, Memorial Day

Weds., 5/30, Last Day of School for JrK

Thurs., 5/31, JrK Graduation

Fri., 6/1, 9:30am Liturgy, 12:30pm Dismissal, Faculty Meeting

# TALENT SHOW - PERMISSION SLIPS DUE

The Talent Show is right around the corner! Students will be sharing an incredible variety of talents on Wednesday, June 13 at 10:45am. **If your child wants to participate, however, he/she must turn in the attached permission slip by Tuesday, May 29!** See attached for more details on rehearsals, logistics, etc.

## HOT LUNCH PROGRAM SEEKS VOLUNTEERS!

Our Hot Lunch program needs you!!! We are looking for volunteers for next year's Hot Lunch program. Several of our long-term volunteers will be leaving SJE in June when their children graduate. For those who are not familiar with our program, here are a few details: There are four Hot Lunch teams. Each team rotates through the schedule. Due to holiday's, snow days, 12:30 dismissals, etc, each team serves hot lunch a little less than once a month. Duties include setting up, preparing fruits/vegetables, serving lunch to the students and teachers, and cleaning up. The hours are roughly 11:00am - 12:30pm. The Hot Lunch program depends on our parent volunteers, so please consider volunteering. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Kristin Dukes at krisdukes03@gmail.com.

#### SJE CYO 2018 FALL SOCCER REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Registration for 7U-14U (Grades 1-8) is now open. Register EARLY and SAVE! Early bird registration rates are available until **May 24**th.

Please see the attached flyer for details and click here to visit the SJE CYO website

Click to register online in Sports Pilot

Questions? Contact Carolyn Yong at sjesoccer@gmail.com

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SJE VBS Campers! Step Right Up!!!! Join us for the week of July 23rd, 2018 for our annual extravaganza of learning and love. Put on your marching boots and join in the Our Father parade!! In the grandstand, meet Rinaldo the Ringmaster and Henry the Hippo. Learn the meaning of the Our Father, the perfect prayer given to us by Jesus, the perfect teacher. Fun is just around the block! You'll be dancing in the streets with sensational skits and Bible stories, games, creative crafts, and Hit Parade music.

Hold onto your balloon for the time of your life!

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP, PLEASE VISIT OUR VBS WEBSITE: HTTPS://JES.EJOINME.ORG/2018VBS

#### RESTAURANT FUNDRAISERS: SAVE THESE DATES!

Plan to join your SJE friends for two more restaurant fundraisers!

Come to El Golfo's Kids' Karaoke night on **Thursday, May 24th, from 6-10pm**. El Golfo offers delicious Tex Mex and Latin American cuisine and they will donate 20% of your bill to SJE! Karaoke (which starts at 7pm) was a great hit with last year's attendees! Kick off the Memorial Day weekend with an excellent dinner and tons of fun up on stage! See attached flyer.

Then grab some Chipotle for dinner on **June 12 between 4-8pm** at the Wheaton Mall (just outside of Costco). Chipotle donates an amazing 50% of our bills (with attached flyer at purchase) to our school! Make sure to take advantage of this generous school support!

# SJE NIGHT WITH THE BOWIE BAYSOX

Join your SJE friends for a great day of baseball with the Bowie Baysox on **Sunday, June 3rd**, at 1:35pm. The first 1000 adults will receive a Maryland Flag Baysox logo hat & there will be a Helicopter Candy Drop onto the field after the game (for kids 12 and under). Save the date and keep an eye out for the order form, which is attached and will also be sent home soon! Tickets are \$10, with \$5 going to support SJE!

# CAMP WHISPERING OAK: GIRLS K-5

Do you have a daughter in grades Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade? Check out this fun outdoor introduction to scouting (**no experience or scout membership required**) in beautiful Brookeville, MD on June 18-22. Camp days run 9am – 4pm. Only \$45 per camper! Free transportation with pick up near St. John's! Registration opens April 9<sup>th</sup>: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/cb\_camp">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/cb\_camp</a> See attached flyer or contact Marie Schech at mbcsmks@earthlink.net.

#### **LUNCH DUTY**

Sign up, swap spots, manage your lunch duties – all in one place! Do you have an odd day off, or an extra hour to spare? Check out the calendar and see if there's an opening. \$10 toward your HSA fundraising after satisfying the minimum number days, fun for you and the kids, and a nice break for our beloved teachers. http://signup.com/go/JeHSgeA

#### CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

For the protection of all of our children, SJE policy follows the Archdiocese of Washington Child Protection Program, VIRTUS. Parents and guardians must be cleared through VIRTUS in order to fulfill their Lunch & Recess Duty requirement, serve as chaperones on field trips, attend class parties and functions at school, and volunteer for extracurricular activities such as Scouting and CYO.

If you are a new parent or a returning parent who hasn't completed VIRTUS, please see the instructions here: <a href="http://www.sjte.org/pdf/hsavirtus201617.pdf">http://www.sjte.org/pdf/hsavirtus201617.pdf</a>

You may also contact Sister Roberta Harding, SJE's Child Protection Compliance Coordinator, at hardingr@sjeparish.org.

#### **FACEBOOK**

Check out the latest and greatest happenings at SJE by following our Facebook page. It will be updated with all the daily activities here at school and gives you a chance to share our wonderful school.

https://www.facebook.com/stjohnstheevangelistschool

You can also follow SJE on Instagram: @sjteschool

#### PARISH / COMMUNITY NEWS

# ANN WATSON NALLS MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Bring your friends and family to a great day of golf with the entire St. John the Evangelist parish community on **Friday, June 1**. This year marks the 19th anniversary of the tournament that benefits the families of St. John's. Anyone is welcome to play regardless of skill level! Come out and enjoy the FUN! The money raised through the golf tournament supports both the St. John the Evangelist parish community and the St John the Evangelist CYO Program. See attached flyer for details.

# RESCHEDULED: PARISH PICNIC AT HISTORIC CHURCH

Due to heavy rains last week, the Parish Picnic has been rescheduled. Come and celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Historic Church on Saturday, June 30, 2018 starting at 1:00 PM on site at Rosensteel Avenue in Forest Glen. The road between the Historic Church and the Knights of Columbus facility will be blocked off to through traffic that day. We will have great food and lots of activities. The Carroll Chapel replica and the Historic Church will be open for visits – come and learn more about our Parish history and the history of the Catholic Church in America. Docents will be available to describe the displays and answer questions. The Picnic will be hosted by the Parish and the Rosensteel Council of the Knights of Columbus. Food, drinks, and ice cream will be provided. We ask that each family bring a dessert to share. An outdoor Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 4:30 PM.

Please click here for the parish website: WWW.SJEPARISH.ORG

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