



St. James School Friday Fodder

MAY 19, 2017

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CALENDAR UPDATE

5.22 Spirit Wear Day!

~Bowling Field Trip, Gr. 5-8
~Field Trip, Gr. 3

5.23 Altar Server Training, 4:00-5:00

5.24 Altar Server Training, 4:00-5:00
~New Family Welcome Night (K-8), 7:00, Library

5.25 Field Trip, Gr. 1
~Creative Learning Fair, 7:00, PC

5.26 NO CLASSES, SIP DAY



St. James School is now tweeting! **You can follow Mrs. Pappas on Twitter St James School AH@SJS_Principal**



From the Principal

REMINDERS

May 25- Creative Learning Fair, 7:00-8:00, PC
May 26 –Staff Development, **No Classes**
May 29- Memorial Day, **No Classes**
May 30- Awards Assembly, 2:30, Church

NEW INFORMATION:

SMART Tuition is going paperless!

This means that if you are used to getting a paper invoice, it'll instead be sent electronically to your email. This is another reason why it's so **important to complete the Tuition Agreement Form AND go to SMART Tuition to (re)enroll your family with SMART.** **Many families have still not completed this online enrollment step. It's a quick process that allows you to confirm your contact info (and email address!!) as well as payment plan/method, child's grade, etc. PLEASE remember that for enrollment to be considered complete we need the signed Tuition Agreement AND the completed SMART online enrollment.

To RE-ENROLL go to www.enrollwithsmart.com today! The Tuition Agreement can be found in the Digital Backpack/Administration on the SJS website.

This is especially important for those families who wish the 12 month payment plan, as those invoices go out the 1st week of June. There is significant work that needs to be done on the office end after you have completed the family payment information so please do this ASAP. Thank you for your cooperation!

~Mark your calendars for **a week from Monday, May 29**, and join the **St. James School** contingent as we participate in the **Arlington Heights Memorial Day parade!** Walk or ride your bike, decked out in red, white, and blue for this fun event!

~Thank you to the following families for serving at this past Sunday's 10:00 Mass:

- **Long Family-greeters**
- **Rzaca Family – gift bearers**
- **John & Cecelia Whelan & Victoria Rzaca – readers**

Sunday Mass Volunteer Service will resume in the fall. Signup through *iVolunteer*



Like our official Facebook page! [Saint James School Arlington Heights](#)

Weekend Masses at St. James Church

Saturday-5:00 pm-PC

**Sunday-7:00-Ch
8:30-Ch
10:00-PC
11:30-PC
5:00**



**Children's Rosary Group- every Monday at 3:45 in the church
NEXT ROSARY IS MONDAY, 5.22—
WHAT A PERFECT DAY TO HONOR MARY!!**



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Thursday,
8:00am - 8:00pm
In the church

will resume in August for the 2017-2018 year, September through May.

~A **new service opportunity** will begin this summer called **Backstretch Buddies**. Every Thursday a group from St. James will be go to the back of the tracks at Arlington Park to visit with the families and kids living there. The purpose is to offer them support and foster relationships. This would be a great opportunity for the SJS kids to gain service hours and stay involved over the summer.

~At the end of the school year, it is astounding to see the amount of school **supplies in good condition thrown away. St. James will be collecting these materials** in order to help supply the kids at the back of the tracks as well as at St. Malachy's this summer during the mission trip. Please remember to place these donations in the boxes located in each classroom during the last week of school.

SCHOOL SUPPLY KIT ORDERS are now being accepted! You can find the lists and order forms for 2017-2018 in the Fodder listing and on the SJS website in the [Digital Backpack/ Administration](#). **Paper order forms are due on or before 6.1 and online orders on or before 6.25. THIS DEADLINE IS FIRM.**

~**Got2 Run for Education** is sponsoring their annual walk / run event right here in **Arlington Heights on May 20**. There is a 2.62 mile walk/run and an 8k run. There will be t-shirts, awards and lots of fun for all in the event. The sponsors of this organization want to promote physical fitness and activity – so any participants who **sign up and select St. James School will help the school automatically earn \$10 in donations for every participant**. More information is with the Fodder listing.

~Feel free to contact me via email, jpappas@stjameschoolah.org , or phone, 224.345.7145, should you have questions or concerns!

Please see the electronic Fodder for more information on

- ~School Supply Kit Orders
- ~Memorial Day Parade Invitation
- ~Backstretch Buddies
- ~Got2Run for Education Information
- ~AHPD Sports Camps

- ~Creative Learning Fair
- ~Farewell Sister Faustina
- ~Gently Used School Supply Collection
- ~Cub/Tiger Scouts information Event
- ~Improv Class-Salt Creek



Sandwich Ministry

~ **Thank you for your generosity to the Sandwich Ministry this year!**

Thank you very much, St. James School Community! Through your wonderful generosity and the service of our 8th grade class, almost 700 lunches were collected for Sandwich Ministry this year!



Lunches were delivered to the following local social service organizations:

**YOU ARE
INVITED!!**
Read all about it
in the Fodder
Listing



**St. James School
All-Class Reunion
and 90th
Anniversary
Celebration**

**Saturday June 10,
2017**

Save the date for an all-class reunion and 90th anniversary celebration on Saturday, June 10, 2017. Join us as we celebrate all that makes St. James School so special. More details to come!

SJS Alumni!



If you have SJS alum, please encourage them to register their contact information online: <http://stjameschoolah.org/saint-james-school-alumni-program/> and visit the SJS alumni Facebook site @www.facebook.com/stjameschoolalum

- Catholic Charities in Des Plaines (catholiccharities.net)
- Journeys-The Road Home in Palatine (journeystheroadhome.org)

and also to the west side of Chicago

- Grace House (slministries.org/gh)
- St. Leonard House (slministries.org/slh)
- Marillac Social Center (marillacstvincent.org)
- Deborah's Place (deborahsplace.org)
- Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity
- and a park (many homeless people do not seek assistance at agencies)

Thank you, God Bless You, and see you next year!

Thank you to Mrs. Whelan and Mr. Smith for organizing these efforts throughout the year and helping us to fulfill some of the Corporal Works of Mercy: feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty.



Bible Study

All **students in fifth grade** are invited to join the **upper level Bible Study group** which meets Wednesday mornings before school at 8:00 in the Library.



Curriculum Corner

The **Battle of the Books** is an enriching activity for students in grades 3-8.

An incentive for reading all 10 challenge books is that a student can put his/her name in a raffle to take a day off of being a student and fill the role of a staff member.



Last Friday the following students enjoyed taking a special role for the day:

- Mathias Anderson & Allie Long were "Pastor for a Day"
- Victoria Gauza & Isabella Redel were "Principal for a Day"

The school calendar is available on the homepage of the SJS website <http://stjamesschoolah.org/>

Updates with the most current information may be found on this calendar.

- Matthew Banholzer & Caroline Hartman were "Asst. Principal for a Day" Thank you to Mrs. Dufern and the entire library volunteer team who work so hard with our children! Congratulations to all of the students who read all 10 of the grade level challenge books!

In other Library news, **congratulations to Mrs. Dillon whose grant proposal was accepted by SCIRA (Suburban Council of The Illinois Reading Association).**



SCIRA funded a grant to increase the nonfiction offerings to benefit our students. Students will now have the opportunity to read 80+ new and engaging nonfiction texts. These high interest texts carry a wealth of information enabling readers to build their background knowledge as well as expose them to current information while connecting them to the world around them. We appreciate SCIRA's interest in our school and giving our students the opportunity to read more nonfiction texts.

Thank you, Mrs. Dillon and SCIRA!!



Altar Server News

Students from Grade 4 through Grade 12 who have received their First Holy Communion are **invited to join our Altar Serving Team.**

An orientation and training session will be held at St. James Church, on **Tuesday, May 23, or Wednesday, May 24, from 4 PM – 5 PM.** You must attend one session on either day. See further details in the Fodder listing.



Parents' Club

@SJSParentsClub is tweeting again!
Follow us and stay in the loop!!



SPIRIT WEAR

Outgrown your current Spirit Wear? Don't forget that SJS Spirit Wear is available year-round! Click here to visit our [School Crush Spirit Shop!](#)

Send in your **BOX TOPS** before Memorial Day weekend!
That will be the final collection for this school year.



UNIFORM EXCHANGE

If you are in need of a few uniform items, please reach out to our Uniform Exchange chairperson, Jill Justiniani. There is inventory available in many sizes at absolutely no charge. Jill can be reached via text at: 708-421-1399. Let her know what you're looking for and if items are available she is able to route them to you.

SJS GARDEN FLAG

If you'd like to add a little school spirit to your home and garden, please contact Gina Zebron @ gzebron@sbcglobal.net to purchase one of our Bulldogs Garden Flags. Flags are just \$20.

THANKS to all who attended our last Parents' Club meeting of the school year. We are excited to welcome Christine Chodil and Kristen Wentink as new members of our Parents' Club Board. These dedicated SJS parents, willing to share their time and talent, are taking over for Carol Mysza and Abbie Papanicholas who have left big shoes to fill! Carol and Abbie, Thank you for all you've done in your roles with SJS Parents' Club. We appreciate you more than you'll ever know!

BULLDOG RAFFLE

Congratulations to the following winners for the final drawing of the school year!

Weekly \$25 winners: The Culver Family, Pam Carlson, The Pukala Family, Audrey Perkins and the Culver Family (Yes, families have the chance to win more than once in a month!)

Monthly \$100 winner: Gail Madden

Parents' Club is thankful for the generous support of school families and staff. The raffle has given out a total of \$1,675 in cash prizes from October 2016 to May 2017 along with a \$1,000 tuition voucher, laser tag party, bowling party, lunch from Jimmy Johns and much more! Parents' Club is so thankful to have had net revenue this year of \$3,709.40 and we look forward to another great raffle in the fall!

If you have any questions regarding the Bulldog raffle, contact Jacalyn Derengowski at jjderengowski@yahoo.com

Parents' Club is currently looking to **fill a few committee chair positions for next school year.** If you're available to help and would like to learn more, please contact Carol Mysza at cmysza@yahoo.com.



- Magazine Drive
- Shoparoo

Your comments, questions or suggestions are always welcome: sjsparentsclub@stjameschoolah.org



Cub Scout News

Cub Scouts - ALL PACK - Scout Olympic Event - Sunday, May 21, from 1pm-3pm, at Frontier Park!!

Current Kindergartners and their families are encouraged to attend our ALL-PACK CUB SCOUT event on Sunday, May 21, from 1pm-3pm at Frontier Park (under the pavilion). If your Kindergartner has been thinking about joining St. James Cub Scout Pack 266, this event is for you! Leaders and current scouts will be available to answer your questions. Watermelon, lemonade and loads of fun will be available!

*This activity does involve parent participation and the whole family is welcome to attend. **Please RSVP to Peter McLeod pmcleod@hawk.iit.edu with number of guests.**

See the flyer in the Fodder listing for more details. If you cannot attend but wish to join the Cub Scouts, please contact Peter McLeod. The PACK is looking forward to welcoming lots of new TIGER SCOUTS! GO SJS SCOUTS!!