





#### November 4, 2022

### Friday Wrap-up



Dear Parents.

**New Personnel -** In the past few weeks, we have welcomed the following new team members! We are excited for welcome them to be a part of the SJRCS community.

- Mrs. Kendra Maurer has joined the Kindergarten team as an Instructional Assistant in K-A. Mr. Crone's class
- Ms. Brooke Markoe has joined the PREK-4 team, Mrs. Doughty's class, as an Instructional Assistant
- Mrs. Kelly Jones has joined the Cafeteria staff and the AfterCare team

Race for Recreation - Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!!! As a community. We raised over \$50,000 towards the upgrade of our playground! Did you know that the average playground costs roughly \$100,000?! The Advancement Office is busy writing grants to try and raise the remaining costs.

All of our students who received donations will be able to participate in our dress down day on December 16th! You can still donate until Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at <u>SJRCS.MyFunRun.Com</u>.

**Newsletter Library** - There is a new section on our SJRCS website called, Wildcat Wire - Weekly Newsletter. You can readily access all newsletters going forward from the Parent tab at https://www.sjrcs.org/parents . Emails announcing the weekly newsletter will continue to go out; however, they will now be linked to this location which should promote easier viewing access.

Blessings,

Dr. Annette Jones, Principal Mrs. Christina Dabulskis, Assistant Principal Mrs. Kelly Weeks, Assistant Principal

#### **Key Dates**

(Note: dates are subject to change)

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11 (Fri) Veteran's Day 14 (Mon) Story Time for Tots (8:30 - 9:30 AM) 17 (Thurs) Mass (10:00 AM) 18 (Fri) Reconciliation; grades 3-8 7th & 8th Grade Dance 18 (Fri) 22 (Wed) T1 Ends 23-25 (W-F) **School Closed Thanksgiving Break No Wildcat Care** 28-Dec 9 Secret Santa Shop

20 (Tue)

December 03 (Sat) Breakfast with St. Nick Cafeteria (8:00 AM) 05 (Mon) Christmas Program Grades 1-3 (7:00-8:00) 06 (Tue) Christmas Program Grades 4-8 Band, Bells and Chorus (7:00 -8:00 PM) 08 (Thu)

Mass (10:00 AM) 09 (Fri) Christmas Program PK3, PK4 & K (9::00-10:00 AM)

12 (Mon) Story Time for Tots (8:30 - 9:30)

> 16 (Fri) Race for Recreation Out of Uniform Day (only for those who raised money)

19 (Mon) **Christmas Parties** PK3 & PK4 (10:15 -11:15 AM);

> K & Grades 1-8 (1:30 - 2:30)**Noon Dismissal**

(No Wildcat Care) 21-Jan 2 **School Closed** 

**Christmas Break** No Wildcat Care

#### **Veterans Day**

We would like to honor all the veterans in our school community and their families with a slide show to be displayed on social media. Please email .jpeg photos of your military veterans to Mrs. Lara Schumacher at LSchumacher@sircs.org by Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

Another way to show appreciation to our veterans is by decorating a star in their honor that will be displayed in our lobby. If you would like to participate, please see the attached flier and template at the end of this document.

#### Wildcat Pop-up Shop

St. John Regional Catholic School is offering a spirit wear pop-up shop for those of us that would like to see the Wildcat under the tree this Christmas season. SJRCS has partnered with locally owned business Faithful By Design Tees to offer some new SJRCS swag for the holidays. Are you looking for a Maryland approved design? We have it! Wildcat on items? We have it here! A portion of all sales will donated back to the school. https://modernspiritwear.com/collections/sjrcs

Pop-Up Shop has extended its deadline and will close today on Friday,11/4/22. Please don't miss out on these fun limited-edition items!

#### Seventh & Eighth Grade Dance

We are pleased to be returning our school dances back to the calendar. On Friday, November 18th, we will be hosting our first dance in McElroy Hall from 7 PM until 9 PM.

Each student that attends needs to have a permission slip returned to the office. Please send it back to the office by Wednesday, November 16th. It is going home with your students tomorrow in paper form and is available electronically here, <u>Dance Permission Slip</u>.

There is a \$10 ticket fee to attend the dance. The link to pay through MySchoolBucks is here: My School Bucks.

We will need parent chaperones to attend the dance as well. All volunteers must be Virtus trained. Please sign up through the Sign Up Genius; <u>Signup Genius</u>.

Additionally, please review the rules pertaining to Middle School Dances in the handbook, listed here: <u>SJRCS</u> <u>Dress Code</u>

If you have any questions, please contact Lara Schumacher at LSchumacher@sircs.org.

#### **Gala Planning Meeting**

Save the date! We will be holding our annual Gala on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> in McElroy Hall. The Gala Committee will be holding its first meeting on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> after drop-off in the conference room. If you would like to join the committee please contact the Chair, Mrs. Allison Dunn at Allison.Newhouse@gmail.com.

#### **SJRCS Golf Hat**



Hats will be available for pick up on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at Pick-Up starting at 2 PM. Mrs. Schumacher will have a table in the lower parking lot for those that wish to pick up their hats. If you would like to make other arrangements, please contact her at <u>LSchumacher@sircs.org</u>.

Couldn't make the Golf Tournament? But would like the Sweet Callaway SJRCS hat in Navy? Purchase your own for \$35 here! Purchase Golf Hats Link

#### **Become a Sponsor**

Please consider becoming a School Sponsor! Sponsors receive many recognitions and tickets to our many events throughout the year. All of these donations are put directly into The Fund for St. John. It is our annual fund that bridges the gap between our tuition and the actual cost of educating our students! Learn more about your sponsorship opportunities here: <a href="https://www.sjrcs.org/makeagifttoday">https://www.sjrcs.org/makeagifttoday</a>. For any additional questions, please contact our Advancement Director, Lara Schumacher at <a href="LSchumacher@sjrcs.org">LSchumacher@sjrcs.org</a>

## Thank you to our sponsors!



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#### H.S.A. Happenings



Time to deck the halls! Make your home extra festive and support our school this year by purchasing some beautiful holiday greenery! Please see the following link for order form: https://content.myconnectsuite.com/api/documents/008da6604d7b4783ab6cc09e83c9aea3.pdf

#### Breakfast with Santa - December 3rd

Tickets are on sale now for Breakfast with Santa, December 3<sup>rd.</sup> Don't miss the opportunity to kick off the Holiday season with a delicious breakfast, crafts, games, and lots of Christmas fun! Doors open at 8am, breakfast starts at 8:30, and if the kids are good, Santa will stop by for a visit and pictures from 9-10:30. *Thank you to Whelan Photography and Knights of Columbus #14011 for supporting this event!* Order forms will be sent in the Friday Folder and posted online. Please return your form and check payable to "SJRCS HSA" to the front office or student's teacher by November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Space is limited so get your ticket ASAP! We have many volunteer opportunities for this magical event (volunteers earn tuition credit). To volunteer or for questions please contact Lori Salvatore, <a href="mailto:loribsalvatore@gmail.com">loribsalvatore@gmail.com</a>.

#### Father-Daughter Dance, Save the Date!

"Daddy and Me, Under the Sea!" Our father-daughter dance will be on Saturday, February, 11<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-9pm. Please mark your calendars now so you don't miss out on this popular event. More information to come later. Please see the flier below:



# **Veterans Day**

#### Dear SJRCS Families:

Veterans Day will be observed next Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Each year, the president of the United States signs a proclamation declaring November Military Family Month, a time our nation will honor the commitment and sacrifices made by the families of our nation's service members.

We are asking each SJRCS family, in honor of our Veterans living and deceased, to decorate at least one star in honor of a Veteran in their family or community. If you would like to decorate more than one star, that would be awesome! Attached is a template for your use in decorating. Please include the Veteran's name and branch of service, please also indicate your students name/class on the back if you would like your STAR returned.

Please cut the star shape out after decorating and send STARS to school as soon as possible or no later than Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> for display in our front foyer.

#### **Did you Know:**

World War 1 – known at the time as "The Great War" – officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied Nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1928, is generally regarded as the end of "the war to end all wars" and is why we celebrate Veterans Day on November 11<sup>th</sup> each year.

The tradition of placing a STAR in the window dates back to World War 1. In 1917 Army Captain Robert L. Queissner designed and patented a simple flag with a blue star to reflect the World War 1 service of two sons. The appeal of this flag quickly caught on. When World War 1 began claiming the lives of many young Americans, a new flag developed.

Red Stars honor living, retired and former military personnel.

White Stars honor deceased military personnel.

Blue Stars honor active military personnel.



## Take A Veteran To School Day









Parents Name(s)

Parents email: Parents telephone:

Student Name(s): Homeroom:

Allergies? Special Requests?

Number of Tickets:

Adults X \$13.00 =

Children (2 and up) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$8.00 = \_\_\_\_ Children (under 2) \_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_