## Saint James Catholic School Knightly News

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#### WELCOME to the SAINT JAMES INFIRMARY

It has been a crazy week at SJS due to the number of students and staff who have been absent due to illness. Today, 29% of the 4 y.o.-5<sup>th</sup> grade students were absent due to illness. We have had 4-5 staff members miss school due to illness as well. Some have been diagnosed with Influenza, some have not although they have the symptoms. We are taking extra special care to wipe down desks, doorknobs, sinks, drinking fountains and toilet facilities as well as reinforcing the best way to cough to avoid spreading illness. Even at Mass, we are fist or elbow bumping rather than shaking hands when greeting one another or during the sign of peace.

Hopefully, a 3-day weekend will help those plagued with this "crud" recover and keep it at bay so those who have managed to avoid it will be spared. To that end, we ask that parents practice preventative measures at home as well. Please follow the guidelines outlined on p. 11 in the Parent/Student Handbook which may be found at <a href="https://www.stjameswashington.org">https://www.stjameswashington.org</a> regarding sending children to school. The important thing is to NOT send a child back to school before they are completely recovered. The 24 hour rule is the best to follow (24 hours free from fever, fever reducing medication, diarrhea or vomiting or 24 hours on a prescribed antibiotic.)

#### REPORT CARDS WILL BE COMING HOME ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

The most anticipated event of the Saint James School academic year is just two weeks away and preparations are underway for a fantastic celebration!!! This year's theme is **GAME ON for CATHOLIC EDUCATION!!** The school will be decked out to resemble well known board/parlor games with many game-centered activities planned! All friends and families are welcome to join us any day for the fun, all of which is noted on the attached schedule of events. We would also like to extend special invitations to the following:

STUDENTS and FAMILIES

Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 27 with a 9 a.m. Mass followed by an all parish brunch. Students should wear their SJS Pride clothes and sit with their teachers at Mass.

SILVER ALUMNI

These are our alumni friends who are more "seasoned" than our younger ones. We are holding a **Breakfast & Bingo Event** on Thursday, January 31. Please join us for morning prayers at 8:15, followed by a lite breakfast and a rousing game of Bingo hosted by the 4<sup>th</sup> graders.

**SENIOR ALUMNI** 

These are the SJS alumni who are graduating high school this spring. These kids are invited to dine with our students at lunch on Thursday, January 31. Invitations will be mailed.

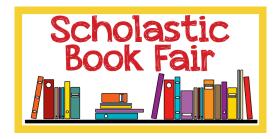
SPECIAL GUEST DAY

4 y.o. preschooler - 5<sup>th</sup> grade students may invite one guest to join us for Special Guest Day on Friday, February 1st. A reservation form needs to be returned in order to plan for your child's guest. This is attached to this newsletter. **ALL RESERVATIONS NEED TO BE MADE IN** 

ADVANCE.

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE COMPLETE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SCHEDULE ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER!

In addition to a jam-packed week of game themed activities, we also have our annual Catholic Schools Week Book Fair which will also be held January 27-February 1 in Tobin Hall. Make plans to visit between Mass and the brunch. The book fair is a great way to build up your child's personal library and help the Saint James School Library as well!



#### Check out next Friday's Washington Evening Journal for the Catholic Schools Week spread!!!



## Thank you to all who helped sponsor this page!



4 year-old preschoolers brainstorm what they already know and what they want to know about building bridges.

#### Mark Your Calendars

January 21 NO SCHOOL

**Professional Development** 

January 25

8:25 a.m. Mass Mrs. Kling's Family

January 27
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK MASS

MASS: 9 a.m. BRUNCH: 10:00 a.m.

January 27-February 1

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK (See attached schedule)

January 27-February 1 CSW BOOOK FAIR

January 30

12:55 Dismissal Professional Development

February 1

8:25 a.m. Mass Mrs. Sheetz's Family

Special Guest Day 9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Have you prayed about it as much as you've talked about it?
...Matthew 21:22

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK-JANUARY 27-FEBRUARY 1, 2019

LEARN...SERVE...LEAD...SUCCEED!!!

#### GAME ON for CATHOLIC EDUCATION!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27 OUR PARISH---HOW SWEET IT IS!!! Candyland

What we do: We celebrate our PARISH!

What time: Mass 9 a.m.
Brunch 10 a.m.

What to wear: Saint James Pride or Spirit Attire.

MONDAY, JANUARY 28 OUR GIFTS---SPREAD THE WORD!!! Scrabble

What we do: We celebrate our GIFTS!

Penny War Begins!!

Staff & students show off!! 1:30 p.m.

What to wear: Clothing with letters/words on it.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29 OUR COMMUNITY---TAKE A CHANCE!!! Monopoly

What we do: We celebrate our COMMUNITY!

Community Careers Chat 8:15 a.m. Community Friends Reading Relay 8:45 a.m.

What we wear: Dress up like Monopoly characters/game pieces or Money.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30 OUR SCHOOL---HOW WE ROLL!!! Yahtzee

What we do: We celebrate our STAFF & STUDENTS!

Staff Guess Who! Time TBA

What we wear: Black & white or dice designs.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31 OUR ALUMNI---THAT'S LIFE Life

What we do: We celebrate our ALUMNI

Silver Alumni

Prayers 8:15 a.m. Breakfast Bingo 8:45 a.m.

SJS/WHS Alumni

Meet & Greet 11:30 a.m.

Lunch 11:50 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

What to wear: What you want to be when you grow up.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1 OUR FAMILIES & FRIENDS---CLUED IN Clue

What we do: We celebrate our SPECIAL GUESTS

Mass Kdg.-5th 9:30 a.m. Book Fair 3 y.o. PreK 9:30 a.m. 4 y.o. PreK 10:30 a.m.

SPECIAL GUEST DAY 10:15 a.m.-12:35 p.m.

Classroom visits 10:15-11:00 a.m.

45 minutes of parent/guest friendly activities

Prayers in Tobin Hall 11:05 a.m.

Lunch/Recess/Book Fair 11:15 a.m.-12:35 p.m.

Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament 2:15 p.m. Cocoa & cookies Following

What to wear: Dress up OR wear SJS Pride attire.

Catholic Schools

# Special Guest Day

### Friday, February 1st, 2019 10:15 am - 12:30 pm

#### MENU

Glazed Chicken Breast
Rice Pilaf
Seasoned Green Beans
Peach Fluff
Wheat Dinner Roll with Butter
Double Chocolate Cookie

Cost: \$7.00 adult \$2.85/Non student 1 ticket punch/PK-5<sup>th</sup> SJS student Staff: one lunch punch

A – H Seating and 4-year PK Love-Smith: 11:15 – 11:50 J – Z family seating and (Mrs. Love-Smith 4-day PK): 11:55 – 12:30

## Return this reservation sheet NO LATER THAN: Friday, Jan. 25th, 2019

Please try to pay in advance. There will be a lunch sticker/badge in your childs classroom the day of lunch on Friday, February 1st. If you have not purchased prior to the lunch, you need to stop in the office to get a lunch sticker/badge that day. THANKS MUCH!

STUDENT NAME/GRADE:	
DEDUCT COST FROM STUDENT LUNCH: _	_
TOTAL \$ AMT. PAID	

In an effort to make the dinner preparation more manageable and also due to limited seating, we ask that EACH child only bring ONE guest for DINNER. We regret having to keep our numbers more conservative for the actual meal. Please come visit us anytime throughout the school year. We LOVE visitors!