



SJB News & Notes

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January 9, 2020

Principal's Corner

Happy New Year! We hope that you and your family had a very relaxing and fun Christmas vacation. We are ready to hit the ground running in 2020!

Please look for the Registration Packet that is coming home today in all Blue Folders. Should you have any questions relating to registration, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Next week we will begin our Winter round of NWEA testing. Please make sure that your child has a good night's sleep and eats a healthy breakfast before their tests. Your classroom teacher will notify you of your child's testing schedule.

Catholic Schools Week begins on January 26. See the article in today's newsletter with all of the details.

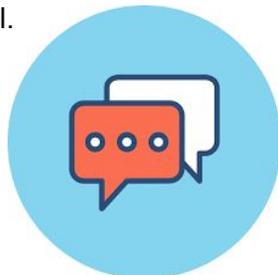
Blessings,
Dawn Biren

Your Input and Ideas Wanted!

We are just about half-way through this school year. We know that many of you may have questions about next school year and/or ideas of how to improve our school.

You are invited to "Coffee with the Principal" on Tuesday, January 21 from 8:30-9:30am. This will be an informal chat session where you can ask any questions you may have. We would also love to hear any ideas you have for enhancing or improving the programs offered here at school.

If you are unable to make this session, and would like to set up an individual time with Mrs. Biren, please email her at dbiren@sjb-school.org.



Enrollment for 2020-2021

All current families are receiving a Registration Packet in their Blue Folder today. Please review this information carefully. You will register for next year through your online TADS tuition payment account.

Please note, if you register by February 29, 2020, your non-refundable registration fee will be applied towards your 2020-2021 tuition account. After this date, it is a standard fee and will not be applied to your account.

If you have any questions relating to registration for next year, please contact Mrs. Biren.



Promote SJB

Coming home in today's Blue Folder is a SJB logo window cling for each family. We hope that you will proudly display this from your car window to help advertise our school in the greater community.

If you would like another window cling for a second vehicle, please stop by the office!

SJB Family STEM Night

As a reminder, our Family STEM Night is tomorrow, January 10, from 5-7pm. Join us for:

- STEM Lab Open House and Robots
- Chili and Mac 'n Cheese dinner
- LEGO League demonstrations
- Science Fair Information
- Catholic United Financial Raffle Kick-off

We can't wait to see you tomorrow evening!



Catholic Schools Week 2020

This is an exciting week for our students and staff. It is our time to celebrate everything that is wonderful about Catholic Education! The teachers have planned fun dress up days and activities for the students and greater community. For the K-4 field trip to roller skating, permission slips will be sent home next week.

Sunday, January 26: Kickoff Mass at 10am, KC Breakfast in the Community Room, & Book Fair.
Dress: Nicest Uniforms

Monday, January 27: All School Prayer Service in the morning and Student Talent Show in the afternoon.
Dress: Team/Jersey Day

Tuesday, January 28: All School Movie in the afternoon, Dress: Comfy Day (Pjs are acceptable)

Wednesday, January 29: K-4 Roller Skating,
Dress: Class Color Day

- Pre-K: Yellow
- K: Blue
- 1st: Green
- 2nd: Red
- 3rd: Orange
- 4th: Purple

Thursday, January 30: Grandfriend Bingo in the afternoon, Dress: Mismatch Day

Friday, January 31: Dress: Dress Your Best

- 10am: Mass with Guests/Family
- 11am: Picnic lunch in the church basement
- 11:40am: Recess
- 12:00pm: Activities in the classrooms
- 1:15pm: Concluding Prayer Service

Students are free to leave with their family/guests at the end of the prayer service. Students without guests will remain at school and go home at the normal time.



Financial Aid for 2020-2021

A quick reminder that the application process for both TADS (K-4) and Schulze Family Foundation (Pre-K) financial aid is currently open. Please see the December 5 newsletter for more details. The deadline for K-4 TADS in February.

[Financial Aid at SJB](#)

Science and STEM Fairs 2020

Today you should have received a packet in your Blue Folder regarding our Science/STEM Fair here at SJB and also the Regional Science Fair in Mankato and CSCOE STEM Fair in St. Paul.

This is a required project for our 3rd and 4th grade students, as it is part of their science curriculum. Second graders will work with Miss. Therres on their project, and our Pre-K through 1st graders are encouraged & invited to participate, but it is optional.

Our top three 3rd/4th grade projects will move onto the Big Bang STEM Fair for the Archdiocese on March 21. The top six 3rd/4th grade projects will move onto the Regional Science Fair in Mankato on April 25. Should you have any questions, please direct them to our Science Fair coordinators Mrs. Huneke and Miss Anderson.



Special Dates to Note

January 10 - Class Christmas Parties, Kick-off to Catholic Schools Raffle, Chili Cook-off, STEM Open House, Science Fair Kick-off

January 13 - Pre-K and K Open House from 5-7pm

January 17 & 20 - No School, Teacher In-Service and MLK Day

January 26 - Catholic Schools Week Mass at 10am

January 27-31 - Catholic Schools Week

February 14 & 17 - No School for Teacher In-Service and Presidents' Day Break