



SJB News & Notes

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

It's been a fantastic first week of the brand new school year! I love seeing our hallways filled with students smiles, energy, and laughter. Despite the little hiccup at the beginning of the week, things have gone smoothly and students have adjusted well to their classroom routines. It is truly wonderful to have the joyful noise of children back in the building!

Our first day was extra special as Fr. Mike blessed our new playground, shared a prayer with students and staff, and thanked the generous donors who made it possible.

We will kick off our Marathon 2026 on Thursday afternoon with an all school assembly, sharing some of the new and fun prizes and incentives that students can earn through their fundraising. Each student's goal this year is \$300 to help our school reach the goal of \$33,000. The Marathon will be held on Friday, Oct. 2.

Our Marathon is about more than just fundraising—it's about service. On Marathon day, students participate in service projects that teach them how their time and talents make a real difference for our school and community. Please check your child's backpack this afternoon for details on how to start seeking pledges!

May you all enjoy the long holiday weekend, relaxing and making memories with friends and family!

~ Mrs. McSweeney

"The joy of the Lord is my strength" (Nehemiah 8:10)

TREASURY OF CATHOLIC PRAYERS

We are excited to share that Archbishop Bernard Hebda has gifted a copy of the new *Treasury of Catholic Prayers* to support our students in their prayer life, sacramental growth, and love for the Catholic faith. Designed as a personal devotional and lifelong companion, this special resource contains required archdiocesan prayers, sacred art, personal prayers, litanies, and Mass and Reconciliation responses. Every student in grades 2–4 received a complimentary copy this week, and students will take their prayer books with them as they advance from grade to grade. Each year, rising second graders will receive a copies. Additional copies for families wishing to purchase extra books will soon be available through an online store at a nominal cost.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



9/8	Zachary	K
9/9	Brock	PreK
9/14	Lorna	Preschool
9/19	Aidan	3rd
9/21	Miles	K
9/21	Ethan	K
9/23	Sydney	K
9/30	Reese L.	1st

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There are two volunteer projects available at school. The first project involves creating short readers using the school's printer, while the second involves organizing Social Studies Weekly newspapers (take home). Both projects are great opportunities for families to get involved and start logging volunteer hours.

PICTURE DAY IS COMING!

Thursday, September 10th & Friday, September 11th are Picture Days! This year, all ordering will be done online; no forms will be sent home.

Please be sure to order your child's photos online using the link below:

<https://calgarophoto.orderschoolpix.com/119663/>

For Picture Day, students may “dress their best” or wear their school uniform—whichever you prefer!

Preschool Families: If your child attends preschool on Monday/Wednesday/Friday, the photographer will be here Friday morning to take their picture.

We can't wait to capture those smiles! 📷



**WE'VE GOT THE SPIRIT,
YES WE DO!**

Did you know that we have an online Spirit Wear store?

Use this [link](#) to order your SJB gear today and show off your school pride!

WHAT'S COMING UP?

9/4	NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY WEEKEND
9/7	NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY WEEKEND
9/10	FIRST MARATHON COLLECTION DAY
9/10	PICTURE DAY
9/11	PICTURE DAY
9/14	VIKING FREE DRESS DAY
9/16	PARENT BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
9/17	SECOND MARATHON COLLECTION DAY

St. John the Baptist Catholic School is an enduring community welcoming students to be known and loved, to excel academically, thrive spiritually, and lead with generosity and joy.