# St. Joseph Regional School April 2024

## **Registration/Tuition/FACTS Reminders**

Dear St. Joseph Regional School Families,

We are now accepting registrations for new students. Please continue to spread the good news about St. Joseph Regional School and all we have to offer!

We will continue to partner with FACTS Tuition Management Company to facilitate tuition collection and offer financial aid.

A FACTS re-enrollment form will come home in the family envelope in April for any family who

was registered on FACTS this school year. Please be sure to check which payment option and payment date you prefer and whether or not you are interested in the Peace of Mind (POM) benefit. Please return this form by May 31<sup>st</sup> as this will be necessary to re-register your child(ren) for the 2024-2025 school year. The first deduction will be in the month of August.

If you would like to apply for financial aid, the BISON Fund is still accepting applications and you may also apply on your FACTS account using the Grant and Aid link. Please use the following link from our website that provides more information. Students are still being placed on a waiting list for the BISON Fund, even if deadlines have been missed.

http://www.sjsbatavia.org/ need-based-tuition-



## **Reporting Student Absences**

Just a reminder, when your child is absent from school please follow these procedures:

Please call the school office between 7:45 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. to report the absence. If we do not hear from you we do not know

*if your child is safely in your care or truly missing and unaccounted for* 

Send in a written excuse note signed by the child's parent/ guardian when the student returns to school. Even *if you called, we still need* 

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*a written note*. This is a NYS law.

Students who are absent for three or more consecutive days must have a doctor's note to return to school.

We thank you for your attention to these important procedures!



## Dates to Remember in April...

- 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> ...Mammoth Sale
- 9<sup>th</sup> ..... School Resumes

• 11<sup>th</sup> .... Parent Tuition Meeting @ 7 PM

- 12<sup>th</sup> .... Mass @ 9 AM
- 16<sup>th</sup> .... SOS Meeting @ 7 PM
- 18<sup>th</sup> .... Grades 2-3 Fieldtrip to Niagara Aquarium and NY Power Authority
- 19<sup>th</sup> .... Mass at 9 AM
- 23<sup>rd</sup>.... Settlers Restaurant

Fundraiser 4-8 PM

- 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>...NYS ELA Test for students in grades 3-6
- 26<sup>th</sup> .... Mass at 9 AM .....Subway Day

#### in May...

- 3<sup>rd</sup>..... No School for Students: Professional Development Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> ..... First Communion @ 12PM at Resurrection Parish
- 8<sup>th</sup>...NYS Science Test for students in grade 5
- 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> ...NYS Math Test for students in grades 3-6





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taking are various used

uniforms in the lending-closet

adjacent to the nurse's office.

Please pay close attention to the uniform requirements detailed in the family handbook.

When we return from Easter Break we will be conforming to the Spring uniform guidelines, including:

 Polo shirts (hunter green, light blue and white) may be worn by boys and girls. Please note that only polo shirts monogrammed with the St. Joe's logo may be worn.

## Spring Uniforms

- Girls may wear the navy blue or hunter green polo dresses.
- Uniform shorts may now be worn, but must be khaki Bermuda length only. These should be purchased through T-Shirts Etc.

Cargo shorts do not meet uniform requirements.

• Boy's hair should not be below their eyebrows or shirt collars.

our Walk for Education

overseeing our facilities

organizing the Gertrude

Hawk Easter Chocolate

Greg Ireland for

extinguishers

inspecting our fire

Stan Kaus for his

continued help in

Tim D'Amico for

Sale

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### Thank You!

Thank you to the following people and businesses for their continued support:

- Blink-of-an-Eye Photography by Barbara Paserk
- Mugs & More (Lil Irish apparel and uniforms)
- John Bowen and Norm Argulsky for chairing our Mammoth Sale
- Michelle Pacino and Nora O'Neill for overseeing



Teacher Appreciation Week begins May 6th. Thank you to all our teachers whose energy, creativity and professionalism create the positive learning environment that is our school. • The English family for our monthly Subway Days

- Peter Casey and Greg Ireland for overseeing our basketball program
- Kevin Rogers and Katie Wujcik for organizing our Chicken Barbecue fundraiser

## **Memorial Day Recess**

Memorial Day Recess will be from May 24<sup>th</sup> until May 27<sup>th</sup>.



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### Stride for Education Fundraiser

Our annual Walk for Education/ Color Run will be held on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Students will walk-the-block (Summit-to-Main-to-Ross-to-Washington) to meet sponsorship pledges.

Sponsorship flyers will come home in the family envelopes in April. These will contain the ways that donors can make

#### NYS Exams

Students in grades 3-6 will be taking state exams on the following dates: NYS ELA: April 24-25 (grades 3-6)

<u>NYS SCIENCE:</u> May 8 (grade 5) NYS MATH: May 14-15 (grades 3-6) Please make sure your child has plenty of sleep the night before, eats breakfast, and arrives to school on time. Please refrain from scheduling any appointments for your child on these days.



Mary Winiecki, (Special Education /AIS Reading and Math Teacher) will be tutoring at SJRS this summer. Days and times are very flexible. The cost is \$25/hour. Please contact her directly to set up times (a)mwiniecki@sjsbatavia.org or text or call at 585-356-6301.

pledges. Students in grades K-1 will begin walking at 11:30 AM.

Students in grades 2-3 will begin walking at 12:15 PM.

Students in grades 4-6 will be walking at 1:00PM.

Pre-school and Pre-K students will walk at a predetermined time by

#### their teachers.

Please call the school office if you would like to volunteer for this fun event.

## walk•a•thon



## Tops Bonus Card: Two Ways to Earn Points

Please consider registering your Tops Bonus Card at the website www.TopsMarkets.com/Education

Once you register your card, Tops will contribute a percentage of your purchase to the school.

Further, Campbells "Labels for Education" now has a program that will link your Tops shopper card to St. Joe's and electronically credit an additional 1-point for each Labels for Education product



purchased. Please go to www.eLabelsForEducation.com to register your Tops card with the program.



## JBWAY

Our next Subway Day will be on Friday, April 26th. All orders are due by 2:00 PM on Thursday, April 25th.



## Personal Responsibility and Study Skills Support

As parents we hear much about teaching our children personal responsibility, but what do we really mean?

Like many skills, the development of personal responsibility is most effectively taught over time.

For our children, personal responsibility often begins with the assignment of household chores along with appropriate expectations for their completion. It expands, as students enter school, to include the assumption of school assignments, and the development of skills to help students become independent learners.

Personal responsibility also includes the acceptance of blame for failure or mistakes and the development of self-advocacy skills for interacting with other learners and adults.

How can we as parents guide our children into developing personal responsibility? Here are a few tips: Serve as a model for responsible behavior, promising and delivering on those jobs and expectations you choose to accept---at home, with friends, and in your community.

Assign developmentally appropriate jobs for your children to complete. Be sure to provide instruction on how the job is to be done. (Jobs might include making

"It is not what you do for your children,

But what you have taught them to do for themselves

That will make them successful human beings."

their bed, setting the table, picking up toys and games, taking out garbage, feeding a pet).

Establish consequences for responsibilities which were not

#### met.

Set rules, routines, and guidelines. Children need this, and these structures will support similar expectations from teachers, employers and others during their lifetime.

Let your child help with new and challenging tasks. By doing so, your child's sense of confidence and competence will increase.

Set aside a regular time to talk with your child about his/her school responsibilities. Initially, and until the habit is established, a daily check is necessary. As the habit is formed and students move through junior high and into high school, it is important to check less frequently so the burden of this responsibility shifts to the student.

Avoid making excuses or rescuing your child when his/her responsibilities have not been met. Students must learn to address the consequences of their own behavior, mistakes and failures.

The greatest gifts you can give your children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence Denis Waitley



## **First Communion**

First Communion will be held on Anna Tabelski Sunday, May 5th at the 12:00 PM Mass at Delia Yunker St. Joseph Church for students registered The following students will receive or at Resurrection Parish. have received this sacrament at their home Congratulations to the following 3rd grade parish: I am the bread students who will receive this beautiful Elanora Batdorf of life ... whoever sacrament at St. Joseph Church: eats this bread Samantha Keppler will live forever. Greyson Alpert Vienna LaBarbera -John 6:35:58 Blake Barbato Giano Marinaccio Braden Coffey Gabriel Selle Livia Dinh Slayton Spencer Gino Fava Noah Zielonka Tillie Fava Brayden Lyons **Dahlia** Plimpton

#### News from the Nurse

Nurse Dawn Canale would like to remind you of the following New York State Department of Health requirements. \*\*New York State now requires a

physical examination for our students in the following grades: Pre-K or K, 1, 3 & 5.

\*\*6<sup>th</sup> graders must be immunized for their <u>Tdap Vaccine</u>.

Also, please note: \*\*<u>Vision screening</u> for distance and near vision acuity is required in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3 & 5 \*\*<u>Hearing screening</u> utilizing pure tone testing is required in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3 & 5.

\*\*<u>Scoliosis screening</u> is required in grade 5 for girls.

NY immunization requirements may be found at https://www.health.ny.gov/ prevention/immunization/schools/ school\_vaccines/

If you have any questions please call the school and ask to speak to Nurse Dawn. She may also be reached at dcanale@sjsbatavia.org







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## March Students of the Month

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Congratulations to the following students who received

Student of the Month certificates in March:

K:.....Troy Briggs

1st: ......Olivia Cultrara-Haworth

3rd: ......Samantha Keppler

5th:.....Blaire Beachel

6th::....Lauren Ireland

Ms. Winiecki:.....Nico Herzog

Art: ......Samuel Bobo

Physical Education ... Tillie Fava

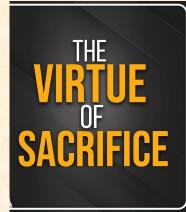
Technology: ..... Ewan Laska

Music:.....Virginia Seitz





## March Virtue of the Month





K:	Charlotte Zielonka
1 <sup>st</sup> :	Claire Parmenter
2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Kenzie Reich
3 <sup>rd</sup> .	Peyton Culliton
4 <sup>th</sup> :	Michael Pawlak
5 <sup>th</sup> :	Lockwood Sutherland
6 <sup>th:</sup>	Edward Bobo





## Second Trimester Honor Roll

#### First Honors (94.0-100)



- Grade 3: Makenna DeLong, Livia Dinh, Tillie Fava, Adelyn Gephart, Vienna LaBarbara, Brayden Lyons, Parker Page, Ava Paterniti, Dahlia Plimpton, Gabriel Selle, Slayton Spencer & Delia Yunker
- Grade 4: Risa Bartz, Macey D'Amico, Parker Fava, Michael Hamblin, Morgan Ireland, Ewan Laska, Kylie Lutey, Madelyn Meyer, Michael Pawlak & Jackson Therrien
- Grade 5: Blaire Beachel, Savannah Conrad, Vincent DiLaura, Hunter Sprague, Taylor Trzecieski & Joseph Wujcik
- Grade 6: Patrick Casey, Elliana Fava, Lauren Ireland, Adam Laska, Natalya Lyons & Sophia Plath

#### Second Honors (89.0-93.9)

- Grade 3: Greyson Alpert, Braden Coffey, Peyton Conner, Samantha Keppler, Giano Marinaccio, Alexander Tomidy & Noah Zielonka
- Grade 4: Quinlan Batdorf, Quinn Bezon, Samuel Bobo, Olivia Boehly, Erin Hamblin, Evelyn Lankford, Matteo Spink & Sofia Zielonka
- Grade 5: Lexi Anderson, Scarlett Ferris, Vincent LaBarbara, Connor Pacino, Alivia Page, Nolan Rogers, Emilia Selle & Quinn Spyropoulos
- Grade 6: Edward Bobo, Mackenzie Hamilton, Ellie Meyer, Matthew Pastore, Noah Radam & Daniel Sutherland

#### Merit Honors (85.0-88.9)

- Grade 3: Blake Barbato, Elanora Batdorf, Peyton Culliton, Gino Fava & Anna Tabelski
- Grade 4: Aelina Patel, Brockton Rossiter, Theodore Seitz & Lilly Treleaven
- Grade 5: Noah DeLong, Damon Reich & Lockwood Sutherland
- Grade 6: MacAlister Batdorf, Levi Mabon & Kailyn Murphy

93% of our students in grades 3-6 achieved the honor roll in the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester. Congratulations and keep working hard in the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester!



March 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for choosing Catholic Education! We know you have elected to invest in something more than academics. Both in and out of the classroom we educate our students spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally & socially. This type of learning helps to foster honesty, responsibility, respect, and kindness...helping to form the whole person.

As you are aware St. Joseph Regional School (SJRS) has been impacted by the instability of The Diocese of Buffalo. Since 2021 we have lost \$400,000 in Diocesan and parish funding each year. To make up for this financial deficit we have continued to fundraise through individual giving, grants, and events.

The SJRS Board invites you to a parent meeting on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the school cafeteria regarding the need to raise tuition. At that time we will present in more detail the tuition rollout plan and provide additional information on the tuition assistance that will be available.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our children, our faith, and our future. We look forward to seeing you on April 11th.

Warm regards,

Mr. Norm Argulsky

Mr. Norm Argulsky Board President

## FUNDRAISER FOR ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL SCHOOL



# April 23, 2024 4-8 PM

# Enjoy a great meal ar



## 353 West Main Street, Batavia NY

The restaurant will make a contribution to this organization from the evening's pre-tax receipts. No coupon necessary.

# SOS NEWS

Thank you to our families for supporting our fundraisers this year! The money raised has enabled us to purchase the following items.

- Scholastic News Subscriptions for grades K-6
- Bus transportation for field trips
- Religion workbooks and supplies
- Mulch for the playground
- Teacher and Student Supplies
- Maker Space Materials
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
- \* End of the Year Pizza Lunch
- Technology Repairs
- \* Eureka Math Pilot Program in Grade 5
- Event Purchases (Trunk or Treat, Mother/Son Bowling, Father/Daughter Dance, Snacks with Santa, Meat Raffle, Walk for Education, Golf Tournament)



# ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL SCHOOL



THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024

As soon as we reach our goal of **\$10,000**, all students will receive a dress-down-day every remaining Friday until the end of the school year!

To support our students please consider donating on-line:

 $\Rightarrow\,$  Point your mobile device camera at the QR code:

 $\Rightarrow$  Or navigate to this link:

Donate to SJRS Strides-For-Education

⇒ Or go to: <u>www.sjsbatavia.org</u>

Or checks may be mailed or delivered to:

St. Joseph Regional School Attention: Strides-For-Education

2 Summit St.

Batavia, NY 14020



Donations will support upgrades in student technology

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[ THE EQUATION FOR A SUPERIOR EDUCATION ]

# Family **STREAM Night**





























#### WHATEVER FLOATS YOUR BOAT

#### MARINE ENGINEER / NAVAL ARCHITECT:

design build, and maintain ships, from aircraft carriers to submarines and from sailboats to tankers.





## PAPER CIRCUIT ECLIPSE CARD

#### ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

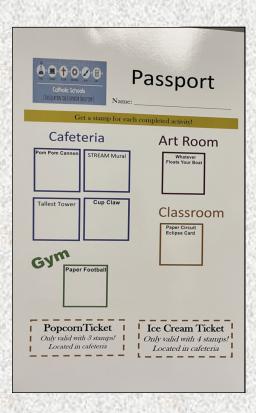
design, develop, test, and supervise the manufacture of electrical equipment, such as electric motors, radar and navigation systems, communications systems, or power generation equipment. Electrical engineers also design the electrical systems of automobiles and aircraft.

ASTRONOMER: specialized scientists who study the natural world, including the universe, matter and energy.









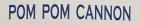
## CUP CLAW

## MECHANICAL ENGINEER:

design power-producing machines, such as electric generators, internal combustion engines, and steam and gas turbines, as well as power-using machines, such as refrigeration and air-conditioning systems. Mechanical engineers design other machines inside buildings, such as elevators and escalators.







AEROSPACE ENGINEER: design, develop, and test aircraft, spacecraft, satellites, and missiles. In addition, they create and test prototypes to make sure that they function according to design.



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