January 10, 2019



From the Principal

We are excited to announce that we have some new faces at St. John's. First, we are happy to welcome Jayne Walker back to St. John's. Mrs. Walker worked in our school kitchen for many years and after a short break has returned. We are pleased to have her back. We also have some new students that joined us over the last couple of months in 2nd, 6th and 7th grades. We have had 17 new students this year join St. John's in grades 1-8. We are so happy to have them as a part of our community.

As we strive to grow our enrollment here at St. John's, please continue to spread the good news about our school with others. Invite them to our SJB Information & Enrollment Night for Preschool and Kindergartners. If you know of anyone who is looking to send their child to a great school, encourage them to come on Thursday, January 17th from 6-7:30pm. Our goal is to fill up our Preschool and Kindergarten classrooms so help us spread the good news! Know of an older student looking for a change? They can arrange a tour and/or shadow day by contacting Michelle Barsness at bars-nessm@stjohnnyb.org or 651-633-1522 x 1114.

Catholic Schools Week begins Sunday, January 27th with Mass at 10:30am followed by an open house. Students should plan to attend Mass on this day wearing their school uniforms and will sit with their class. The week will include a variety of fun events for our students to celebrate our school and thank all those that help make it possible. The week ends with our annual Wines to Wishes fundraising event on Saturday, February 2nd. This is a wonderful event for adults to have some fun and raise money for St. John's. So invite a friend and join us for this fun evening. Invitations went home with students prior to the Christmas break. You may register by returning the RSVP card to school or online at www.winestowishes.com.

Even as we continue this school year, we are beginning to plan ahead for next year. Information will be coming out soon for our current families to reenroll for the 2019-2020 school year. Families may begin applying for tuition assistance for the 19-20 school year now through TADS. Go to www.mytads.com to begin the application. A reminder that there are two scholarships that you can apply for through TADS in addition to St. John's assistance. One is the Aim Higher Scholarship. The Aim Higher Scholarship application is due Wednesday, February 13th. The other scholarship is the CSAF scholarship. I would encourage anyone applying for SJB tuition assistance to also apply for those scholarships as well (you will have the option to be considered for these scholarships during the tuition assistance application process">well (you will have the option to be considered for these scholarships during the tuition assistance application process). Finally, do not forget that the Pioneer Foundation is another way to assist you with tuition payments.

Finally, winter NWEA testing will take place the week of January 22nd with any makeup testing done the first week in February. Check with your child's teacher or see the class

Upcoming Events

January 17

NO BUSING

Grade 6 Parent Lunch
Info & Enroll Night 6-7:30pm

January 18

NO BUSING

School Spirit Day

January 21

MLK Day - NO SCHOOL

No J-Care

January 25

School Spirit Day

January 27

CSW Mass - 10:30am

Open House until 12:30pm

Used Uniform Sale - Cafeteria

January 28

Beach Day

January 29

Comfy Cozy Day

January 30

Celebrations Day

January 31

Hero Day

Variety Show - 1:00pm

February 1

School Spirit with

Crazy Socks & Hair

Bowling - Gr. K-3

Roller Skating - Gr. 4-8

February 2

Wines to Wishes

Wines to Wishes 2019

Wines to Wishes is less than one month away - February 2, 2019

REGISTER TO ATTEND!

Invitations went home before Christmas break! Register online (www.winestowishes.com) or by sending back the response card.

GRADE BASKETS!

We are still accepting donations for the grade baskets - items or monetary (checks to St. John's). All donations can be sent to the school office.

Wines to Wishes is the largest fundraiser that our school has!
Last year, we raised over \$93,000 thanks to our amazing sponsors, donors, and SJB community. Let's make this year a huge success!

Contact one of our chairs with any questions :

Michelle Barsness <u>barsnessm@stjohnnyb.org</u> Rita Arndorfer <u>arndorferr@stjohnnyb.org</u>



calendars for the testing dates for your child(ren). Students are encouraged to eat a good breakfast and make sure to send a snack on testing dates.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ann Laird, Principal

Virtus - Volunteering Requirements

As part of the Archdiocese initiative to keep all children safe, all volunteers for the school and parish need to go through the Virtus Program. This includes parents who are classroom party volunteers, coaches, field trip chaperones, etc.

St. John's will be having a Live Virtus Training session for all new volunteers and employees on Tuesday, January 15th from 6:30-9:30pm in room 206.

For new applicants: Go to www.virtusonline.org and click on first time registrant to begin the process. You will need to attend a live Virtus class (register online), allow a background check to be done and complete all the required forms.

If you have any questions please contact Alison Wacek at waceka@stjohnnyb.org

Please join us for the SJB Used Uniform



Sunday, January 27th
11:30 am— 1:00 pm
(After Catholic Schools 10:30 am Mass)
School Cafeteria

The Used Uniform Sale is an opportunity to purchase gently used uniforms at greatly discounted prices. The uniforms are donated by the families of St. John the Baptist School.

You may turn in gently used uniform pants, shorts, shirts, skirts, jumpers and spirit wear to the school office anytime during the school year. Please no clothing with ripped hems, tears, holes, multiple stains or missing buttons. Thank you.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Barb Lieser at barblieser@lieserinsurance.com or Molly Kavolak at mkavolak@gmail.com.

Community News

Mounds View Girls Fastpitch Softball registration is now open. Go to MV Softball for more information or to register.



Irondale Youth Baseball registration is now open. Go to Irondale Baseball for more information or to register.







Fr. Michael Joncas January 20, 2019 1:00-2:30pm Vatican II - Its Effect on the Building of the Church

Nicholas Markell March 3, 2019 1:00-2:30pm How the Statuary, Stained Glass & Icons Speak to Us

Refreshments served after both events
Please mark your calendar

Come see for yourself all the reasons why enrollment has grown so significantly at DeLaSalle in recent years!

We are receiving inquiries about prospective admission to the Class of 2023 and the 2019-20 school year at DeLaSalle. Please plan to join us at our final Open House for Prospective Families on Wednesday, January 16, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Also, please join us for the Entrance Exam and corresponding Parent Seminar on Saturday, January 19; the Exam starts at 8:30 am and registration begins at 8:00 am.

The application deadline for the Class of 2023 is Friday, February 15.



For more information about admissions protocols or simply to learn more about DeLaSalle, please "visit" us at www.delasalle.com or call me at 612-676-7679.

To learn more about the application process, to access application materials, or to complete a Financial Aid Application, please go to http://delasalle.com/admissions/applying-for-admissions/>.