

Principal's Bulletin

From the Principal

HAPPY ALMOST VALENTINE'S DAY! Did you know that Valentine's Day has part of its history linked to several of St. Valentines in the Catholic Church as well ancient Rome and the poet Chaucer? It is quite a history! February is a time to not only to show love to those who are important to you, but also a great time to show Jesus how much you love Him. Consider committing to praying everyday as a family and attending Mass.

Thank you for your support at Wines to Wishes this past weekend. It was a wonderful event that was a fantastic way to wrap up CSW! A big thank you to Michelle Barsness for her leadership in chairing this event as well as to the numerous volunteers who helped make it a success. We are so very grateful for everyone's support. We will share more about the financial success of the event as soon as we are able.

We want you to be aware of a change we are making to our staff masking policy. Beginning Monday, February 14th, staff will no longer be required to wear masks. However, if we need to increase mitigation strategies due to an increase in connected COVID cases, students and staff may be asked to wear masks for a period of time. All policies regarding COVID remain the same for students. **PLEASE NOTE: Masks are still required on all buses so please make sure your child has a mask if they are riding the bus to/from school or for a fieldtrip. Also during fieldtrips, we will adhere to masking or other COVID guidelines of the location we are visiting.** Please consider putting an extra mask or two in your child's backpack as we are running extremely low on the disposable masks.

Here are things happening at SJB:

- NWEA MAP Testing continues next week.
- Valentine's Day is Monday, February 14th. Please remember that we are continuing to limit the number of parent volunteers for these classroom parties. Please make sure to reach out to your child's room parent to see if you can still volunteer. All volunteers must be cleared by the school office to ensure they are up-to-date with their VIRTUS volunteer requirements. Students may be out of uniform on this day and should wear Valentine colors or a Valentine-themed shirt. Jeans or sweatpants/wind pants are allowed.
- There is NO school for all students in preschool through grade 8 on Friday, February 18th and Monday, February 20th. There will be no J-Care or Care Crew available on either of these days.
- Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent is on Wednesday, March 2nd. Please join us for Mass that day. Spring Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up in March. We request that all kindergarten parents meet with their child's teacher for a conference in the spring. For grades 1-8, conferences are optional and may be requested by either a teacher or a parent. Look for a letter to come home regarding conferences sometime next week.
 - * Grades 1-8: March 8th and 9th in the afternoon/evening
 - * Kindergarten: March 9th in the afternoon/evening and during the day on Thursday, March 10th.

Spring Break is Friday, March 11th – Friday, March 18th. School will resume on Monday, March 21st. We know many families travel during this time. If your child will miss any days of school due to traveling and vacation, please be sure to contact the attendance line or the school office with those dates. Thank you.

- ⇒ Attendance line is 651-633-1522 ext. 1119.
- ⇒ School office is 651-633-1522 ext. 1118 or via email to Joy Thienes at thienesj@stjohnnyb.org.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend. See you Monday and Happy Valentine's Day!

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal

Calendar Change - April 1st

We have an important calendar change for this school year. Friday, April 1st will be a no school day for all students in preschool through grade 8. Staff will be participating in a parish-wide retreat day. J-Care and Care Crew will also be closed on this day. Thank you for your flexibility with this change.



MIDDLE SCHOOL
GIRLS



galentines party
FEB 13TH

11:30AM - 1:00PM

All middle school girls are invited to a **Galentines Party**

There will be donuts, painting, and games!
Invite your friends and join us to celebrate!
Sunday, February 13th from 11:30am - 1:00pm

SJB Parish News

Attention All Middle School Students: Open Youth Room is Ready for YOU!

Come join us in the youth room directly after school every Thursday afternoon from 2:30-4:00pm for tons of games, snacks, hanging out, a short discussion about our faith, and FUN! Hope to see you there!



EXTREME FAITH CAMP



JUNE 19-24, 2022

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Registration Open NOW
[Register on the Parish Website](#)

DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 11, 2022



Contact Mikayla Anderson, Youth Minister with any questions!
andersonm@stjohnnyb.org



Save the Date!



Vacation Bible School will be June 14 – 16 from 9-noon for children in preschool through those entering Kindergarten.

Totus Tuus will be the week of August 1-5th for students entering grades 1-6.



Registrations for both programs will begin in March.

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7:00 PM
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