

From the Principal

February 16, 2023

Happy Presidents Day weekend! A reminder that there is no school for students in preschool through grade 8 tomorrow, Friday, February 17th as a reward for reaching our school Marathon goal this past fall and Monday, February 20th for Presidents' Day. Care Crew and J-Care are also closed. We hope everyone has a wonderful long weekend.

Spring conferences are coming up and will be held in-person on March 7-8. Look for conference forms to be coming home with your student. Teachers would like to meet with all kindergarten families. For students in grades 1-5, conferences can be teacher or parent requested. Please complete the form and return as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, February 24th.

Sunday, February 26, 2023 is our grade 3-5 Mass at 10:30am. Join us as we live out being Called Forth into relationship with God by leading and celebrating Mass together with the parish community. Students in grades 3-5, please join us for Mass wearing your school uniform and then see Ms. Laird after Mass for your out of uniform slip. Mr. Moore would also like to invite all students in grades 3-8 to sing at this Mass on February 26th. Arrive at 9:30am to the music room and receive a non-uniform coupon for your participation! Let Mr. Moore know you're coming at mooret@stjohnnyb.org.

Lent begins next week on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd. Please join us for the all school Mass with ashes at 8:30am. If you are unable to make that time, St. John's has other opportunities to receive ashes that day:

- 6:30am - Communion/Word Service with ashes
- 12:00pm - Communion/Word Service with ashes
- 5:30pm - Mass with ashes
- 7:00pm - Mass with ashes

Finally, We had 40 students participate in the Advent Challenge this past December, and 18 that completed the entire month. They were all able to visit the SJB Snack Shack and the ones that completed the month received a little extra gift. Congratulations to these students who Prepared to be Called Forth in God's love during Advent.



Have a wonderful long weekend. See you on Tuesday!
Ms. Ann Laird, Principal

Upcoming Events:

NO School

Friday, February 17

NO School

Monday, February 20

Ash Wednesday

February 22

Spirit Wear Online Store

February 24-March 5

Grade 3-5 Sunday Mass

February 26, 10:30am

Grade 6 Retreat

February 27

Vision/Hearing Screening

February 28

**Tuition Assistance
for 2023-2024**

Tuition Assistance applications are now available for the 23-24 school year.

Go to www.mytads.com and click on the section marked Financial Aid Assessment

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

* To be eligible for AIM Higher grant: February 22

* For SJB Tuition Assistance: March 15th

SJB Spring Sports - Registration Now Open

SJB will offer the following sports for students this spring: Baseball/Softball and Track & Field



Baseball/Softball is open to boys and girls in grades 5-8

[Baseball/Softball Registration](#)

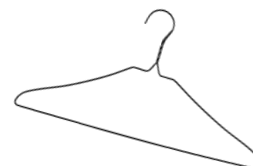
Track & Field is open to boys and girls in grades 4-8

[Track & Field Registration](#)

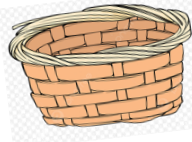
Session 3 of Wrestling begins on February 20 and runs through March 22. You do not need to have attended the previous sessions to register for this third session. [Wrestling Registration](#)

Wire Hangers - donations wanted!

The Art Room is looking for donations of wire hangers! If you've been cleaning things out with the new year or are getting ready to start thinking about putting away all the winter things (wishful thinking right now, I know), please consider donating any old wire hangers that you may still have to the SJB Art Room! Ms. Perez is planning the return of After School Art Classes and would love these for a future project! Thanks in advance for helping us out!



Baskets/Containers



Did you win a silent auction item and it came in a basket or container? Do you have some baskets or other containers at home that you no longer want? Wines to Wishes would be happy to have them for next year's event! You may drop them off at the school office at any time. Thank you!

Spring Break J-Care

J-Care will be available over spring break for SJB students in grades K-8. All attendees should bring a lunch.

Hours will be dependent upon enrollment each day.

Friday, March 10: Come for some **Slime Making**. There will be mix ins!

Monday, March 13: Plan for outdoor play and games at **Vets Park**.

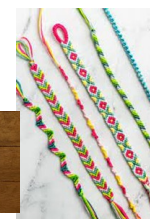
Tuesday, March 14: Try out textures with **Playdough Making**.

Wednesday, March 15: Join us for a **Field Trip** to the **Maple Grove Community Center**.

We will have time in the **Maple Maze** (Indoor Playground) and **Gym**.

Depart at 9:10am and return at 2:50pm.

Thursday, March 16: Get in on a **Bracelet Tutorial** or try your hand at **Stop Motion**.



Register for any or all spring break days on the school website.

Email Miss Katie Adams with questions at adamsk@stjohnnyb.org

SJB Parish News

Lenten Small Groups

St. John the Baptist will be hosting Lenten small groups that we'd love to see fill more! Each group has leaders assigned and committed to these times. Groups will meet for 7 weeks (Ash Wednesday week thru Easter week).

- Tuesdays at 1:00pm for women
- Wednesday evenings for women
- Thursday evenings for women
- Saturday mornings - co-ed group

Register for a small group [HERE](#) or email Claire Brostrom at brostromc@stjohnnyb.org to register or with questions.

Marriage Minute Series

The March Marriage Minute Series will give you tools to improve communication with your spouse. Bradley will help couples effectively navigate through conflict, remaining united versus divided.

Join us for one or both talks with your spouse. Limited childcare is available.

BRADLEY BARKER, LPCC

Bradley is a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor with a local office in New Brighton and specializes in Christian counseling & holistic well-being. He received his Masters of Arts degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Franciscan University of Steubenville. He is passionate about the emotional and spiritual health of the modern family, and he desires to help each individual move from surviving to thriving.

St. John's Marriage Ministry
Cana Marriage Minute
Take some time for your marriage

MARCH 5 & 19 2023
9:30-10:30AM
ROOM 211

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,
NEW BRIGHTON

Register online:

[March 5th Session](#)

[March 19th Session](#)

President's Day Fun **February 20**
8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Games
Mass
Snacks
Games
Lunch
Tubing

Cost: \$40

Middle School Youth

Contact [Sarah Wilder](#) with questions or to register.

Knights of Columbus

WAFFLE BREAKFAST

Join us on February 26
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

All you can eat: waffles, sausages, regular and sugar-free syrup, fruit for the waffles, whipped cream, orange juice, coffee, milk, and water.