

Principal's Bulletin

From the Principal

May 25, 2023

Happy Memorial Day Weekend! As we enter this last weekend in May, we remember all those who have died in service for our country. While not the true meaning of the holiday, we also take this opportunity to remember all those who have gone before us. It is with grateful hearts that we thank and give all of them to our mother, Mary. Along with the fun of this weekend, please remember to pray for all who have given their lives for our country that we might live in freedom.

This weekend is also Pentecost Sunday. The Holy Spirit is a powerful person of the Holy Trinity. We encourage you and your family to pray for gifts of Holy Spirit and ask the Holy Spirit to give you courage to love the Lord in all you do and say. See you at Mass this weekend and remember to wear red! If you will be traveling, use the following website https://masstimes.org/ to find a Catholic Church and Mass times wherever you may be.

Just a reminder that there is no school for students in preschool thru grade 8 tomorrow, Friday, May 26th or Monday, May 29th for the Memorial Day weekend. There is no J-Care or Care Crew on either day. Below are this week's reminders of our upcoming events:

- We will celebrate and recognize the accomplishments of our graduating 8th grade students on Wednesday, May 31st at the 8th grade Recognition program. This will be held in the Church beginning at 12:45pm. This is the last day of school for our 8th grade students.
- The 8th grade Graduation Mass will be held on Thursday, June 1st 6:30pm.
- Monday, June 5th is our all school picnic. Students may be out of uniform on this day - wear comfortable play clothes and dress for the weather (remember sunscreen!).
- Tuesday, June 6th will be a clean-up day. Students may be out of uniform.
- Tuesday, June 6th will also be our Preschool Spring Program at 6:30pm.
 Preschool families will receive more information on this program from your child's teacher and/or the Preschool Director.
- Wednesday, June 7th is our last day of school for the 22-23 school year.
 We will have morning Mass at 8:30am and Track and Field Day events in the afternoon following lunch. Students should wear a school spirit shirt and any bottoms with tennis shoes.

Summer is right around the corner. We have put together a list of resources that may help your students practice their Math and Reading skills over the summer. This list may be found on the school website under Parent Resources or by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

We have been interviewing several candidates and have extended or will be extending offers for all four of our open teaching positions. We are hoping to be able to announce our new staff for the 23-24 school year sometime next week. We are still looking for more candidates for <u>J-Care Coordinator</u>, cafeteria staff, instructional aide, and kindergarten aide. If you or someone you know is interested in any of these positions, please have them send a resume and cover letter to Ms. Ann Laird at <u>lairda@stjohnnyb.org</u>.

Finally, next Thursday, June 1, PTO is hosting an Ice Cream Truck from 2:15-3:15pm in the main Church parking lot. When you pick up your children from school that day, stop by and buy an ice cream treat! See below for the details.

Upcoming Events:

No School

May 26 & May 29

Grade 8 Recognition May 31 @ 12:45pm

PTO Ice Cream Truck

June 1: 2:15-3:15pm

Grade 8 Graduation Mass June 1 at 6:30pm

EOY PicnicsJune 5

Preschool Spring Program
June 6 at 6:30pm

Last Day of School June 7

KC Tuition Grant

The Knights of Columbus Council 14250 is offering four \$500 tuition scholarships for SJB students for the 2023-2024 school year. These scholarships are available for families whose fathers are members of the Knights of Columbus Council 14250 at St. John's. Applications will be accepted through Thursday, June 1st. Please apply HERE.



Have a wonderful long weekend. Happy Memorial Day!

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal

A Message from the Health Office

Medications Need to be Picked Up by Wednesday, June 8

Prescriptions cannot be stored at school over the summer. Medications left in the health office will be discarded unless prior arrangements have been made.

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You may pick up your child's emergency medication or prescription medication in the Health Office during regular school hours. To make other arrangements, please contact the school office. Prescription Epinephrine, inhalers, and over-the-counter medications will be sent home with your child on the last day of school.

Please note that a new Medication Authorization form is required at the beginning of each school year. You and your health care provider can complete new medication forms for the 2023-2024 school year during summer appointments! Please feel free to fax completed medication forms to 651-633-7404, or bring them to the health office table during Meet Your Teacher Night in August. You can find medication forms on the Health Office page of the SIB

website or request a copy of the form from the health office prior to the end of the year.

Have a healthy and safe summer! Please remember seat-belts, bike helmets, and sunscreen will help keep your child safe this summer--we want to see everyone (except the 8th graders!) back at St John the Baptist in September healthy, happy, and ready to learn!

District Busing 2023-24 School Year

For those families that reside within the Mounds View District or utilize busing from an address within the MV district, you must complete the online Transportation Registration by June 8, 2023. Information and the registration link may be found at https://www.moundsviewschools.org/transportation.

*Information on the Blaine charter buses will come out this summer.

Volunteer Hours - Submit NOW!

Volunteer hours are part of the tuition agreement each school year. We ask families of students in grades K-8 to complete 20 hours of volunteer time in the school or Church during each school year. If you have completed your hours, please send that information to the school office via email to Joy Thienes at thienes at thienesj@stjohnnyb.org. You may use this Volunteer Tracking Form, your own tracking form or just simply an email with your volunteer hours noted is fine. You may estimate any volunteer hours you plan to complete through the end of the school year. The hour commitment for the 22-23 school year is 20 hours or \$400. Any hours not completed will be charged to your Tads accounts at a rate of \$20 per hour up to \$400.

SJB Fall Athletics

Registration is NOW OPEN for SJB fall athletics!

Soccer - open to boys and girls in grades 5-8 Cross Country - open to boys and girls in grades 4-8 Volleyball - open to girls in grades 5-8 **New this year!!**





All registrations will be done online - go to the Athletics page of the SJB website. Questions? Contact Mr. Cole VanBeusekom at vanbeusekomc@stjohnnyb.org

Summer Tutoring

Would you like your child to receive extra help in reading or math over the summer? Would you like your child to maintain the academic growth they achieved during the school year? Would you like your child to learn some new skills over the summer to advance learning?

Summer tutoring details

- In person tutoring will be offered.
- Individualized plan for student; student meets with the teacher one-on-one.
- Number of sessions per week, days and times are determined between the parent and the teacher
- Cost-\$45 per hour; \$35 per ½ hour
- Location for tutoring is determined with teacher; note: on-site St. John's tutoring may have a small cleaning fee in addition to the tutoring fee.

The teachers listed below are available for tutoring. If you are interested in this opportunity for your child, please email the teacher directly. Sessions usually fill quickly!

Mrs. Koskie koskiem@stjohnnyb.org	K-5 Math Hour and ½ hour sessions available
Mrs. Reina reinac@stjohnnyb.org	1-5 Reading 6-8 who may need decoding work Hour and ½ hour sessions available
Mrs. Dompierre dompierrej@stjohnnyb.org	6-8 Math

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Training at SJB

We are excited to announce that St. John's will be hosting a CGS Level 1A training this summer!



As our program grows at SJB, we will need additional lead teachers ("catechists") and assistants. Please prayerfully consider signing up for this training and becoming involved in this truly beautiful ministry for our young children.

The 6-day training course will be held on the following days: July 19, 20, 21 AND August 2, 3, 4

For more information or to register for this training, please contact Bri McCaffrey at mccaffreyb@stjohnnyb.org





SJB PTO Teacher Appreciation

ICE CREAM TRUCK

Thursday, June 1 | 2:15 - 3:15 p.m.



In the SJB Church Parking Lot

Teachers & Staff: Your treat is FREE! (paid for by the PTO Non-Uniform Fundraisers)

Students & Parents: Bring cash, enjoy a treat and some sunshine!

Menu

Hand-scooped Ice Cream | Floats | Sundaes Novelties | Specialty Items



Volunteer HERE!

9-10am: PreK @ Vet's Park

K - 4th Grade

10-11:45am @ Vet's Park 11:45 -12:30pm - Lunch Break 12:30 - 2pm @ Gym Parking Lot

5th - 7th Grade

10-11:45am @ Gym Parking Lot 11:45 -12:30pm - Lunch Break 12:30 - 2pm @ Vet's Park

VET'S PARK - 2 Inflatable Obstacle Courses, Soccer Inflatable, large Bounce House w/ Slide, Mini Bounce House, Dunk Tank, Kick Ball, & Putting Game LUNCH - Hot Dogs, Chips, Grapes, Cookies, Iced Tea, & Freezies! Please bring a water bottle!!!!!

GYM PARKING LOT - Wacky Hair Station, Temporary Tattoos, Cake Walk, Spin Art, Minute to Win It, Non Uniform Cash Grab, & more!

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