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SPJ News

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A poor grade, a change in friendship, a forgotten assignment can be devastating to a child and his/her parent/guardian. However, learning to deal with life's ups and downs is important. Research tells us successful people have resilience, perseverance, optimism, and gratitude. None of these characteristics are mastered in one day or without misfortune. Challenges are not easy, but are necessary for becoming a strong and healthy adult. Parents, you are the best advocate for your child. Become a "student of your student". Learn all you can about your child from teachers, pediatricians, coaches, and other parents. Your "image" of your child could be one sided. Find out all there is to know so you can keep the expectations real. It will make for great building blocks for the future. Insist on respect, remember that love and respect fit together. Respect naturally sets limits and all children feel a sense of security when rules are clear and consistent. Keeping age and maturity in mind, let children experience real-life consequences. Let the child "make it right" when mistakes are made. A poor grade may result in studying more the next time, a change in friendship could provide the courage to discover a new classmate's interests, a forgotten assignment can be the beginning of self management and organization. Most times when "bumps are left in the road" children are resilient and learn to solve their own problems. Successful people know how to get right back up after they stumble. Parents, please know that SS Philip and James School is a safe place to practice independence. We, like you, have a responsibility to help develop important social and emotional tools for life. A child with fortitude, determination and grit will naturally evolve into a successful adult. Let's keep working together on this journey. Thank you for trusting in SPJ!!

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A Message from Mrs. Montgomery

Not So Scary Changes to the Halloween Party Procedures

This is the Change: Students in grades 4-8 should wear jeans and fall shirts to school. Bring Halloween accessories to put on for the parade and party in the afternoon.

Students in grades K-3 may wear simple pull over costumes to school. **This is not changed from earlier messages.**

This year SPJ will be celebrating Halloween on October 30. Due to Covid-19 Health and Safety Regulations this year's party will be filled with "surprises". The annual Halloween parade will take place downtown starting at 2:00 pm (using social distancing). Parents you may park at the library or in the public parking areas to take photos and wave as we walk by. Pizza Parties will follow in the classroom, with teachers as the host.

A \$5.00 party fee will be collected to help with this Spook-tacular Event!!



Fall Weather Uniform Information

As stated in the SS Philip and James Family Handbook 2020-2021.

Shorts in navy blue or khaki may be worn August- October 31. Pants in navy blue or khaki and plaid skirts or jumpers may be worn all year. See attached Uniform Guide for more details.

Conference Procedures

Conferences are scheduled for November 2 & 5. Please look in today's Thursday Folder for conference preference days and times. To limit guests in the building, phone conferences are available and only parents/guardians are asked to attend the evening of the meetings. This is a wonderful time to learn about your child. We look forward to sharing the accomplishments achieved in the first quarter.

CONFERENCE NIGHT DINNER

SPJ Home and School is looking for families who would be willing to provide conference meals for about 14 people on Nov. 2 and Nov. 5. You will only have to provide food for one of the two nights. Home & School will reimburse your expenses up to \$120. Please turn in your receipt for reimbursement. Note: Your receipt can only have the conference meal listed. No personal items can be listed on your receipt or receipts will not be accepted. Please contact Ashley Piper (ampiper10@gmail.com or 330-715-3773) if interested or if you have any questions. Thank you!



Ohio Middle School Youth & Government Academy

Natalie Koch, eighth grade, is one of the sixteen Stark County Catholic School students who has joined the Ohio Middle School Youth & Government Academy. Overwhelmingly the feedback is very positive! During the six week assembly meetings and the 3 - 4 day "conference" scheduled in November, participants will learn how to write a bill, defend it through debate, work in a delegation, and submit the bill to the governing body. This year the

program is 100% virtual. Next year, hopefully, students will resume meeting in person and can travel to Columbus for the conference at the Statehouse. Natalie, we are proud of you. Thank you for representing SPJ in this leadership conference.

School Mass Times and Links



There are no live Mass links for this week.

You can find a live Mass or watch a recorded Mass from Catholic TV. Click Here:

<http://www.catholictv.org/masses/notre-dame-mass>

Free Tuition for 2021-2022

Scrip Orders are once again being offered to save with your shopping needs and also help credit your 2021-2022 tuition bill. Look over the Shop w/Scrip instructional flyer and Scrip Dates for 2020-2021. If you have questions, please contact Michelle DuPlain, Scrip Coordinator 330-704-8909.

Help Support Our School

Silent Auction and Reverse Raffle Tickets

Take a chance to win **\$5000.00!!** Only a few chances left. Stop in the office or contact Kelly Morber kmorber@youngstowndiocese.org for tickets and more information. **We appreciate your support for our school.** Ticket cost is \$50. All raffle tickets purchased in 2019 and 2020 will qualify for the drawing. Date of the Virtual Reverse Raffle, SOS Raffle, and Class Basket Raffle "Winners Reveal" will be on November 13!! Good Luck!! Virtual Bidding Window for the Silent Auction items opens Friday, Nov. 6 and Closes Friday, Nov. 13. Look for more information coming soon!

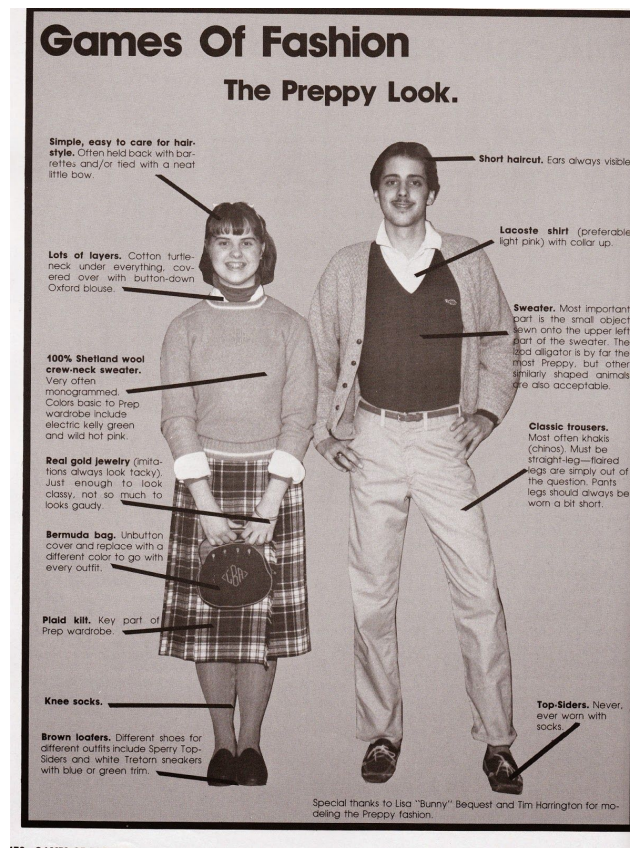
Scholastic Book Fair is coming virtually to SPJ. Check this out
<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/ssphilipandjameschool1>

Yearbooks are still available in the office
 2019-2020 Yearbooks are now on sale for \$20
 in the office. Stop in to pick up your
 memories! Only a few copies are
 available. Only a few copies left.



More Ways to Help Our School

Box Tops will be collected through next Friday October 23, 2020 for physical box tops with expiration dates. Cut them out and send them in with your student. If your box top says "BOX TOPS for EDUCATION" only, you simply scan them into the app! Receipts need to be scanned within 14 days of purchase in order for the school to get credit. Don't want to add another app to your phone, simply send in your receipts and we can scan them for you! So far the school has earned \$27.80 with a \$1000 goal for the year.



This is Happening Now

Walk a Thon

Students are encouraged to raise money from family and friends through electronic pledges. Cash donations are still welcome. The pledge form can be accessed through the link:

<https://forms.gle/5hWLimfN99TuAjAr9>

Students will be walking the week of October 19 for 30 minutes in their scheduled gym classes. Students with the highest funds raised in each grade will receive an SPJ Blanket and a Scholastic book of their choice.



Online giving is also set up for this fundraiser. Pledges and donations will be accepted through the <https://spjcanalfulton.weshareonline.org>

Included this week is a paper sponsor form.

Let's Move It, Move It!!

Upcoming Dates

October 19- Walk-a-Thon (during gym class)

October 22-28 Scholastic Virtual Book Fair <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/ssphilipandjamesschool1>

October 23- End of First Quarter

October 30- Halloween Party

November 1- Daylight Saving Time

November 2 & 5- Conference Day

November 3- Election Day

November 6-13- Virtual Silent Auction Online Bidding

November 11- Veteran's Day

November 13- Virtual Reverse Raffle, SOS Raffle, Class Basket Raffle

November 25,26,27,28,29,30- Thanksgiving Break (Wednesday-Monday) No School



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