

SPJ News

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A Message from Mrs. Montgomery



Happy Constitution Day!! If you are like me, this could be a new holiday for you. Constitution Day is an American federal observance that recognizes the adoption of the United States Constitution and those who have become U.S. citizens. The Constitution was written in 1787 and was signed on September 17. Yes, it is over 200 years old. A constitution is a set of rules, much like the Commandments or Beatitudes given

to us by God. When used appropriately, **rules** provide a sense of predictability and consistency giving us physical and emotional safety. Jesus makes it simple for us with the Greatest Commandment, the second is this "LOVE your neighbor as yourself." Each and everyday I have the opportunity to witness the kindness, concern, respect, friendship and love for others from our SPJ students. This place is special and the families that belong to our community provide a sense of well being and model kindness within their homes. Celebrate today because you are outstanding citizens in every way. Thank you for sending to school your very best!!





Halloween Parties

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". Students in grades K-3 may wear simple pull over costumes to school. Students in grades 4-8 may bring appropriate costumes to change into in the afternoon. The annual Halloween parade will take place downtown starting at 2:00 pm (using social distancing). Although we will not be accepting treats, parents and neighbors can 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!!

Look for more information from your child's teacher in the weeks to come.

School Mass Times and Links



Families are encouraged to join in person or virtually.

9:15 am Thur Mass https://youtu.be/fAtJIWulkMY

9:15 am Fri Mass https://youtu.be/araT66-hDpw

Check the Facts, Ma'am

Grades 4-8 students' grades can be found on FACTS. Here is an easy way to check in.

- Use factsmgt.com
- Go to Parent Login
- Go to FACTS Family Portal
- Use the district code: SPJ-OH
- Usernames should be first initial, last name
- Password is spj123
- Sign in as a student below the password

Free Lunches for the Rest of the Year!!

(Ok, only until the end of 2020)

The Ohio National School Lunch Program is helping to provide free lunch for all students from now until December 18, 2020. Here is what is needed:



- Using the lunch form provided for the month of September, fill out the days your child/children want lunch. (If you already turned this in, but are adding days, please fill out a new form)
- Turn the form in without money to your homeroom teacher. In October, November, and December repeat the process.
- Milk will be provided with lunch at no cost. Milk purchased without a lunch is still \$0.50.
- For families that already paid for September lunch or have credit from March, your credit will be applied to lunches in January 2021.

Calling all SPJ Alumni:

If you are playing a sport for your high school or university please send a picture of yourself in uniform to Mrs. Burke to display in our social hall. You can send a photo to school or to her at jburke@youngstowndiocese.org

Morning and After Care

Morning and After Care is NOW in session.

For more information, please contact the school office. 330-854-2823

Morning Care 6:30am-8:00am After Care 3:15pm-6:00pm



A snapshot of SPJ at 2:30pm.





Silent Auction and Reverse Raffle Tickets

A Virtual Silent Auction will take place on November 9-November 13. Look for more information coming soon!! But for now, Reverse Raffle Tickets are back on sale. Take a chance to win \$5000.00!! Ticket cost is \$50. All reverse raffle tickets purchased in 2019 and 2020 will qualify for the drawing. Contact Kelly Morber kmorber@youngstowndiocese.org for tickets and more information. Date of the Virtual Reverse Raffle will be on November 13!! Good Luck!!

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!!

"Stop Droning On", This is Going to be Good

We have something unique in-store to help prospective families discover what we all love about SPJ! Our aftercare students enjoyed watching and learning about using drones in photography this week, as our marketing team was here to begin capturing #TheSPJWay.







Hey Friends, Hey Friends, "What do you see?"

Upcoming Dates

September 17- Constitution Day

September 24- Interim Sent Home (This is a changed date.)

October 5- Bus Evacuation

October 7- Picture Day

October 12- No School

October 23- End of First Quarter

October 30- Halloween Party

November 1- Daylight Saving Time

November 2- Conference Day

November 3- Election Day

November 5- Conference Day

November 9-13- Virtual Silent Auction

November 11- Veteran's Day

November 13- Virtual Reverse Raffle

November 25,26,27,28,29,30- Thanksgiving Break