



SPJ News

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A Message from Mrs. Montgomery

A friend of mine (Mrs. Lavery) gave me an inspirational book based on the teachings of Mother Teresa. It is amazing how many of the daily reflections speak directly to me. It is as if the words were written for me to read and act on for that day. I truly resonate with the words printed below. (This is the reading for February 18, I'm not kidding!!)

I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples. ([Mother Teresa 365 Daily Reflections - February 18](#))

Many people believe that they can't make a difference so therefore why try. They feel they don't have enough power to bring about a positive change. They are only one person, "just get through it". Most times our work feels small and insignificant. We may wake up in the morning "energized" but soon settle into "going through the motions", and at the end of the day we have lost the purpose. As Christians we know and are comforted that God has an individual plan for each of us. "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope" (Jeremiah 29:11) We know there is a plan, but do we live it? During this Lenten season, I challenge you to use the 39 days left to work on God's plan. Try to increase and improve in prayer, penance, and giving of alms. This can bring you closer to successfully completing God's work.

Within your Lenten promise, you can gain the strength and enthusiasm to keep aiming to make an impact, to make ripples in the good that you do. Mother Teresa shows that one person is enough, one person can start a movement that will catch fire and spread across the world. One excited, motivated, determined person is enough when God is with you. "For nothing will be impossible with God." ([Luke 1:37](#))

One person alone may not change the world, however one person can start a ripple, and small ripples can grow into waves.



[Teresa, Mother, and Matthew Kelly. Do Something Beautiful for God: The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa 365 Daily Reflections. Blue Sparrow, 2019.](#)

2021-2022 Re-enrollment Forms

67% of the SPJ Re-enrollment forms have been returned!!

Thank you!! There is still time to send in your requests. Please fill out the Re-enrollment Form and return asap.

2021-2022 SPJ Tuition Savings Opportunities

ONE family has registered for tuition assistance.

It is our goal to never turn away anyone based on financial needs. Look under Quick Links, Facts Tuition, Apply for Financial Aid. A direct link is online.factsmgt.com/aid

Families will need to apply for the scholarship through FACTS Aid. The opening date for the link will be January 4, 2020. **All applications must be received and completed by March 19, 2021.**

If you would like help with how to apply please call the office at 330-854-2823 or email Mrs. Montgomery at lmontgomery@youngstowndiocese.org.

EdChoice Update

Over 17 families will receive renewal applications.

****EdChoice Expansion eligibility was recently changed to 250% of federal poverty guidelines. The EdChoice Expansion Income Guidelines document on the EdChoice website has been updated to reflect this change.**

Renewal Forms are being mailed to all current scholarship parents. Blank application forms, Income Verification Form and additional information have been posted in the scholarship system as well as on the Ohio Department of Education / EdChoice Website.

If you would like help with how to apply please call the office at 330-854-2823 or email Mrs. Montgomery at lmontgomery@youngstowndiocese.org.

Scrip Is Still Available

100% assistance is available for 2021-2022 tuition.

Please see the flyer explaining this easy tuition saver!! Let me know if you have any questions.



School Mass Times and Links

Families, please join us for Mass either in person or from home.

Thur 9:15 <https://youtu.be/efwaoz64R3k>

Friday <https://youtu.be/6cgqY8N0jVY>

Sat <https://youtu.be/iRiNt-QuA18>

Please share our VIRTUAL TOUR!



RECEIVE A \$250 TUITION CREDIT IF THEY JOIN THE SS. PHILIP & JAMES FAMILY!

TOUR TODAY: Scan the QR Code or Visit:

<http://bit.ly/SPJVirtualTour>



REFER A
FAMILY

GET A TUITION
CREDIT*

* Referral Credit is for referring a family outside of SCCS school.
An alternative award will be provided if a student is already on full scholarship.

<https://www.starkcountycatholicsschool...https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=py2Y9pJ-OT4>

SPJ Family! We need your support to help raise money for our school. The Box Tops for Education program has started switching a lot of their rewards to scanning receipts in an app. Due to the change, our school fundraising with Box Tops has gone drastically down. The entire school is going to work towards a goal in the app and with physical box tops from February 11th-18th. If we, as a community, can raise \$150 the students will earn a jeans day! If you don't want to download the app, send in all of your recs. We will find an example of a box top into the school. All box tops need to be mailed prior to the 1st of March.



the app, send in all of your receipts and I will scan them for you! Attached you will find an example of a box top that needs scanned and one that needs sent into the school. All box tops need to be sent in by Thursday Feb. 18th to get them mailed prior to the 1st of March.

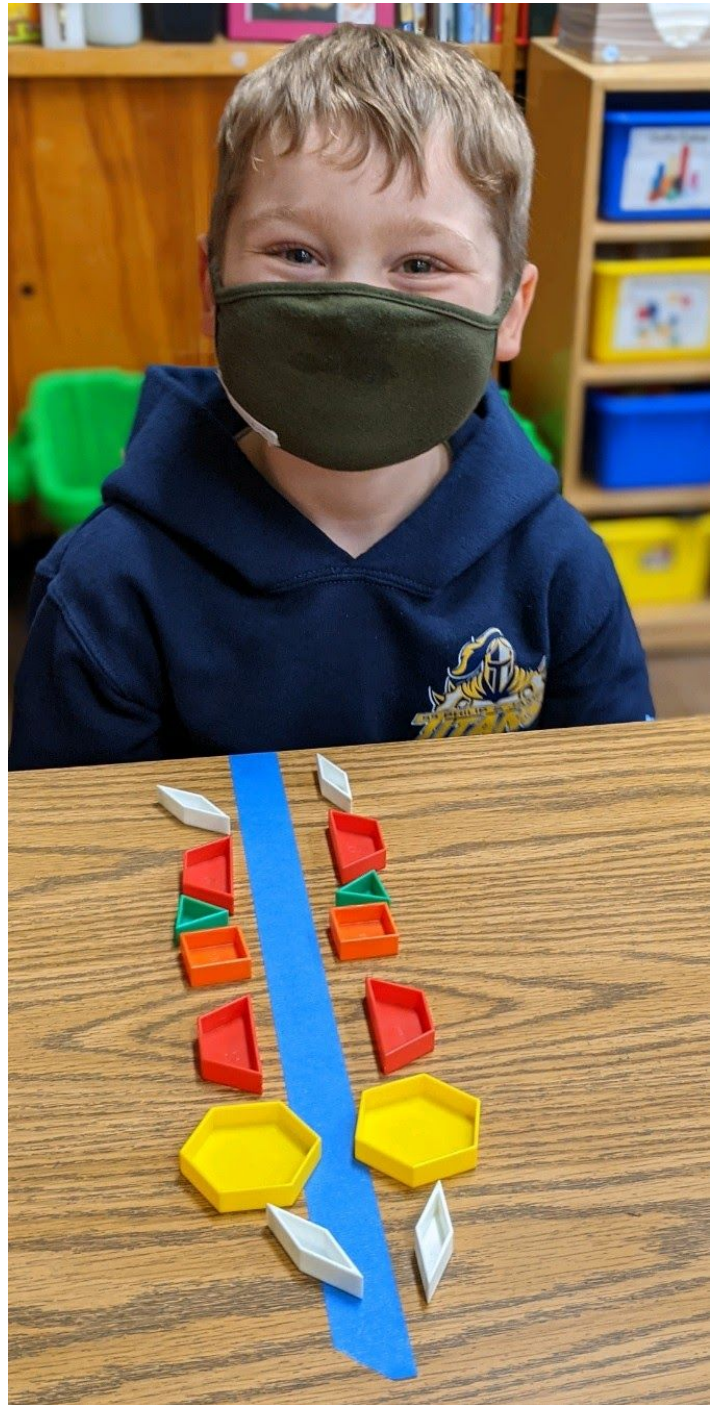
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Parents and Guardians,
Please help your student “dress for the weather”. Students will be permitted to go outside for recess when temperatures are 20 degrees and wind chill temperatures are above 20 degrees. Coats, hats, & gloves are appropriate and needed for 20 minutes at 20 degrees. Boots can be worn too!! Thank you for your cooperation.

A New Program for 2021-2022

New to SPJ for next school year 2021-2022, will be an option for our early learners- Transitional Kindergarten. SS Philip and James Transitional Kindergarten program provides children an extra year of growth before beginning a full day Kindergarten. This extra year of “childhood” enables children to continue to develop their social, emotional and academic skills. The curriculum follows the Ohio Learning Standards and is accredited by the Ohio Department of Education as a half day Kindergarten. All children must be five years of age by September 30th to attend. This will be a great opportunity for first time learners and students with a summer birthday! See the flyer included in this week’s newsletter and as always ask if you have any questions.

(The current traditional kindergarten class led by Mrs. Dolecki will also be available in 2021-2022.)



MARKET DAY IS BACK AT SPJ!

For those of you who were missing Market Day, IT IS BACK! For those of you who have not purchased from Market Day, it is a site where you can order food and it ships directly to your door! YAY! The best part....when you order from Market Day SPJ receives 10% from your order! There are new specials every month and they are adding new products every day! Make sure you use our organization [SS PHILIP & JAMES - CANAL FULTON - OH](#) when you purchase. Email me or contact me with questions. (Ashley Piper 330-715-3773 or ampiper10@gmail.com)



A Message from Mrs. Burke

Attention Parents of 4th-8th Graders: Please remind your student to charge their Chromebook nightly-- we have only a few extra Chromebooks and can no longer loan them to students whose devices aren't charged.



NW Special Bus Run

Northwest Buses will be on a special bus run this Friday, February 26, 2021. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

AMAZON SMILE

If you are getting a notification that SS Philip & James is not set up, **WE ARE NOW!** Just click on the choose new charity and click SS Philip & James Canal Fulton again. We have completed the required steps, so please use Amazon Smile for all of your Amazon purchases. It does not cost anything and you are donating to your school! Thank you! If you do not know how Amazon Smile works, look in the newsletter for more information or click here

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-0861033>



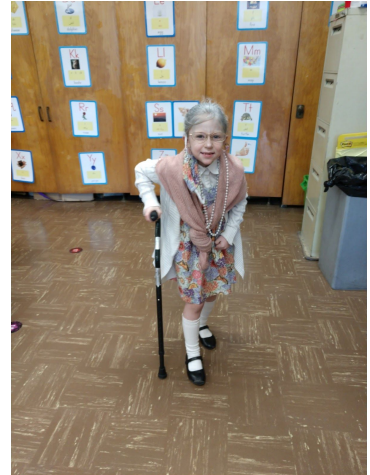
Archery News

A quick note from Mr. and Mrs. McMahon to let you know that archery practice for February will be on Monday the 22nd.



Upcoming Dates

February 11-Interims for Quarter 3
February 12- No School
February 15- No School
February 17-Ash Wednesday
February 18- CCHS Registration
March 12-No School- Teacher Inservice
March 15-18- CoGat Testing grades 2,4,7
March 22-26- IOWA Testing grades K-7
March 29-April 1- Make up Testing
March 18- End of Third Quarter
March 19- No School-Teacher Work Day
March 25- Report Cards Go Home (Quarter 3)
April 2- No School- Good Friday
April 5-April 9- Easter Break



Catholic Schools' Week Fun!



