

SPJ News

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A Message from Mrs. Montgomery

As the past eighth grade homeroom teacher, returning from Easter break brought enthusiasm for all of the end of the year events. This part of the year is filled with Field Trips (pre-Covid), Buddy Walks (pre-Covid), Field Day, Graduation, Pass it On and more. Spring in School is a time for excitement!! This year in my role as principal, I still feel the exhilaration of this season, but in a much different way. As a leader of our school my eagerness is to find ways to fulfil and deliver the best to our students and families of SS Philip and James. Whether it be conducting tours with our fabulous student ambassadors and calling

new families to share the news of our school,



(Signs of Spring on the SPJ playground.)

or working with the teachers to purchase books, supplies, and technology to be incorporated in their classrooms for next year, or reaching out into our community to bring new staff and new ideas into our building, the anticipation for the ending of 20-21 school year and what next year 21-22 will be is immense. (Possible positions for next year-school nurse, tutors, aides, intervention specialist, librarian, and elective instructors. If you know anyone interested let me know.) Spring is a time for growth and new beginnings. Here at SS Philip and James there is so much rejuvenation going on, there is so much "life". At times, I am humbled by my position as principal and amazed at the "wonder" within our walls. Please continue to "talk up" our school. I truly appreciate all that you do for SPJ!!

This is New 2021-2022 SPJ Tuition Savings Opportunities

Please consider filling out the KofC Scholarship Application. It is important that we support our local parish and Kof C group. They are so generous to our school. Only a few applications have been turned in at this time. My goal is to submit at least 10. This is free money for school!!!

\$3000 SS Philip and James Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus is offering a \$3000 scholarship for our students. (Actually 3, \$3000 scholarships.) If you or your grandparent is a member of SS Philip and James Parish, please consider filling out the application. Applications are in this week's Thursday Folder and also attached electronically to this week's email.

Deadline for turning in applications is April 30, 2021.

Tuition Raffle

\$5000 Tuition Credit!! 200 tickets, \$50 a piece will be sold. Winners will receive up to \$5000 to use for SPJ tuition, Catholic High School tuition, or even college. Look at the flyer attached to this email for more information. Contact the school office to purchase your winning number. There are still many tickets left!!

The winning ticket will be drawn on May 3, 2021.

EdChoice Expansion

EdChoice Papers have been sent home. Please return them asap to expedit the scholarship procedure. EdChoice Expansion eligibility was recently changed to 250% of federal poverty guidelines. Renewal Forms can be found in this week's Thursday Folders for all current scholarship parents. If you feel you may qualify for this scholarship opportunity please contact me for more information. Imontgomery@youngstowndiocese.org

Save with Scrip

Scrip Savings is still available. Please see the flyer explaining this easy tuition saver!!

Students of the Month

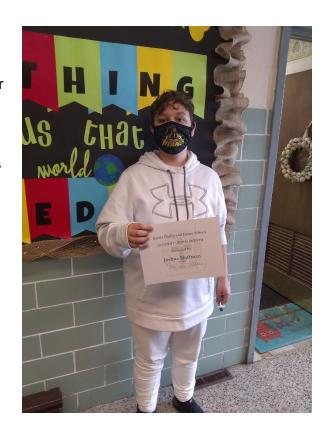


Joscelyn Konet- Kindergarten

I am pleased to nominate Jocelyn for Student of the Month. Jocelyn is always eager to participate in class discussions and has an enthusiasm for school that is contagious. She works hard to give her teachers her very best work and is such a thoughtful friend to her peers. Her cooperation and hard work is so appreciated. I am very proud of Jocelyn's effort and honored to have her in class each day!

Joshua Huffman- Grade 8

The upper grade teachers nominate Josh Huffman for this month's student of the month. Josh's funny, and caring demeanor carry him throughout his days here at SPJ. He can often be found helping out with the little ones by playing basketball or other games. He is an eager participant in all things Student Council and wants to do his best for the student body. Josh's "the show must go on" attitude was evident as he portrayed the role of Jesus in the Passion Mime on a broken foot. From his school work to extra activities, Josh has a selfless attitude that makes him a great addition to our 8th Grade class, and the SPJ School Community.



Third Quarter Honor Roll

Please let me apologize for the errors in this announcement. Here is the updated list.

Congratulations! Students Your Efforts are Noticed!! Please plan to join us for the Third Quarter Honor Awards celebrated following Mass on April 16, 2021.



Eighth Grade	Seventh Grade	Sixth Grade
Honors w/Distinction Ross Everhart Natalie Koch Allie Rohr	Honors w/Distinction Anna Minarcheck	Honors w/Distinction Jesse Everhart Avery McMahon Amelia Rohr Carlie Rohr Brianna Stair
Honor Roll Luke Hancock Owen Rohr	Honor Roll Lilly Bentzel *Alyssa Pandrea *Jordyn Liptak	Honor Roll
Merit Roll Josh Huffman	Merit Roll Matthew Cook Lily Morber	Merit Roll Briddick Rhoades Zachery Walsh

^{*}Students left off the original list. Congratulations, Alyssa and Jordyn!!

Here's Your Sign



It is time to sign up for the "Sign UP" Campaign. We are currently in the process of bringing "new life" to our school. Tours are being scheduled and new families are learning about this wonderful place called SS Philip and James. If you have a SS Philip and James School sign (blow off the dust and pull it from your back shed), it is time to place it proudly in your front yard once again. If you need a new sign stop in the office, there are still a few available. If someone you know has a wonderful front yard that faces a busy road, please stop and pick up a sign to place in their yard too. (Ask first, of course!)

School Mass Times and Links

Join us virtually for the Mass Celebrations!

Thursday https://youtu.be/MaOVePgHrFQ
Friday https://youtu.be/saU5hBYjatE
Saturday https://youtu.be/FBbAqDAJLUs



SchoolStore.com is Open

SchoolStore.com is an easy fundraiser! Parents help purchase the essential tools our students and teachers need to succeed. Continue to encourage the use of this fundraiser when shopping. Thank you for your support!!





Help with a Parent Survey

Please take a few minutes to tell us how we are doing. It is important to us that we are providing a quality Catholic education for your children, and your input will help us to continue to grow in that commitment. We appreciate the families that have completed this task!! Your opinion is important.

Thank you!!

Updated Link: https://forms.gle/LZErF1w6ruY37qFo9Order

Yearbooks for 2020-2021 Now

Thank you to the families that have turned in the yearbook order forms. If you would like to purchase a "memory book" for the school year 2020–2021, there is a yearbook order form included in the attachments to this week's newsletter or contact the school office for an order form.

The deadline to accept orders is April 30, 2021.

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

AMAZON SMILE

\$140.20 has been received! Keep buying and helping raise money for our school. Just click on the choose new charity and click SS Philip & James Canal Fulton. It does not cost anything and you are donating to your school! Thank you! https://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-0861033





Flag Raising Ceremony

The SPJ Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts with the support of Knights of Columbus will perform a small ceremony to retire the current SPJ flag and replace it with the new one. All are Welcome!! Plan to meet at the school around 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday April 27th. The boys will perform the ceremony and present the flag to a representative from the Knights of Columbus.

Free Lunches for the Rest of the Year!!

A paper copy of the April menu is in your child's folder today. Thank you to the families that have turned in their lunch selections.

(Seriously, now until the end of May)

The Ohio National School Lunch Program is helping to provide free lunch for all students from now until May 28, 2021. Here is what is needed:

- Using the lunch form provided for the month, fill out the days your child/children want lunch.
- Turn the form in without money to your homeroom teacher.
- Milk will be provided with lunch at no cost. Milk purchased without a lunch is still \$0.50.



A Message From the SPJ Lunch Crew



Parents and guardians please send in water, juice, or sports drinks to hydrate your child during the day. Please do not send tea, caffeine products, or soda. Developing good eating habits is a lifelong process that demands a healthy perspective on food. Thank you!

Genius Team 2021

Winners of Third Place

This year's team which consists of Natalie Koch, Owen Rohr, Luke Hancock, Jordyn Liptak, Eddie Caniglia, and Matthew Cook, with the help from advisor Mrs. Mackey and Mr. Cook completed the challenge of creating a **Rube Goldberg Machine**. Way to make a simple task complicated!! Your "genius" minds and frugal spending habits gave you a lead!! We are proud of you!! (See video link attached to this email.)



Aultman Bike Safety

Thank you Aultman Hospital for the bike safety coloring books and bike helmets. A great way to celebrate Spring!!







A Message from Mrs. Burke & Mrs. Mackey (4-8)

Dear Parents, In technology class students have been taught how to keep their passwords safe by not taping them to devices, not sharing them with others, logging off completely when not using a device, and not using the same password for multiple devices of programs. The attached chromebook policy has also

been reviewed with students and is expected to be followed, particularly using school devices for school related purposes not for personal use. Please help us remind your student about password safety and using school issued chromebooks appropriately. If at any time you or your child has a concern or question about their password please contact Mrs Burke or Mrs Mackey. (See attached SPJ Chromebook Policy with this week's email.)

Rescheduled Car Parade

(See Flyer for updated information)
Join Us in Celebration for SS Philip and James Feast
Day!

On the 150th day of school, there will be a Car Parade past our school! Please let your friends know to join in the festivities.



Upcoming Dates

- April 16- Honor Awards following Mass for grades 4-8
- April 25- Confirmation for Grade 8 Students
- April 27- Scouts Event (Raising of the Flag) starting at 5:30
- April 29- Interim for Fourth Quarter
- May 2- First Communion for Grade 2 Students
- May 3- SS Philip and James Feast Day- Car Parade Rescheduled
- May 3- Kindness Groups- Students wear Kindness T-shirts with uniform bottoms
- May 3-7 Virtual Book Fair
- May 9- Mother's Day
- May 14- May Crowning @1:00 (School Students Only)
- May 20- End of Fourth Quarter
- May 20- Last Day for Preschool Students
- May 21- No School- Teacher Work Day
- May 23- Pentecost Sunday (Wear Red)
- May 27- Graduation (8th grade Families Only)
- May 28- Last Day for Students (This is a Half Day)
- May 28-Kindergarten Mass (School Students Only)
- May 28- Awards Ceremony
- May 28- Report Cards Go Home