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SPJ News

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/ perēpə ^I tedik/ *Adjective* traveling from place to place.

Noun A person who walks or travels about.

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### A Message from Mrs. Montgomery

Who knew the staff of SS Philip and James 2020-2021 have adopted An Aristotelian Peripatetic Approach to teaching. This style based on Aristotle's methods taught in the first university, developed around 385bc and is the perfect solution to the Covid restrictions of today. Aristotle's ideas included: the students staying in one class while the teachers move rooms, a connection of physical activity and deep thinking (walk-talks outside), a respect for learning happening through experiences in life. The peripatetic practice builds team mentality, well-rounded balanced thinkers and the "fixed classes" create deep bonds and lasting relationships . Aristotle believed; "Play, physical training, music, debate, the study of science and philosophy were to all have their place in the forming of body, mind and soul." We at SS Philip and James are carrying on the traditions set by the great Greek philosophers. Although some schools may feel the restraints of our new safety procedures due to Covid-19, SPJ is discovering exciting and new (or not so new) ways to teach. How lucky am I to be a part of this re-discovery. Please see the reference included to know more.

As always, thank you for sending to school your very best!!

### Students of the Month

In the tradition of administrators who have come before me, I am proud to announce the

Students of the Month for September. Eddie and Sarah have had a wonderful start to this school year!! Congratulations on living the SPJ Way!!

**Eddie Caniglia** has had a great start to his school year. He is excellent at communicating with his teachers and asking questions to clarify understanding. He is also great at helping his classmates understand assignments. Eddie completes all his work thoroughly and with great detail. We are very proud of you Eddie!





**Sarah Schilling** is a returning student to our school this year and has taken her new second grade role in stride! She is a kind and dedicated student. She gives 100% on each assignment, no matter the difficulty. Sarah is generous to everyone she interacts with and treats each classmate like a friend. Sarah loves running around the obstacle courses during gym and solving problems in math class. Her character and cheerfulness is a wonderful addition to our SPJ family. We are happy to nominate Sarah as a student of the month!

### **School Mass Times and Links**



Families are encouraged to join in person or virtually.

9:15 am Thur Mass <u>https://youtu.be/U6VNETajjeQ</u>

### 9:15 am Fri Mass <u>https://youtu.be/52DPMRegZ0I</u>

### Halloween Parties

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

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. Look for more information from your child's teacher.



## 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.

### Silent Auction and Reverse Raffle Tickets

Reverse Raffle Tickets are back on sale. Take a chance to win **\$5000.00!!** Ticket cost is \$50. All raffle tickets purchased in 2019 and 2020 will qualify for the drawing. Contact Kelly Morber <u>kmorber@youngstowndiocese.org</u> for tickets and more information. 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!

### 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.

# It's Fair to Say, SPJ Fared Well



SPJ students go above and beyond. Learning Happening Through Life!







"I pledge ... My Head to clearer thinking, My Heart to greater loyalty, My Hands to larger service and My Health to better living for my community, my country, and my world." (Adapted from the official 4-H pledge)

### Walk a Thon

The SPJ Walk-a-Thon is back and better than before. Students are encouraged to raise money from family and friends through electronic pledges. 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. (All benefits go to the SPJ Home & School Association)



2019 Photo

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!!

### **Virtual Pet Blessing**

Sunday, October 4th is the celebration of St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day. Since we cannot gather in large groups, SPJ School would like to host a Virtual Blessing of the Pets. Here is how you can join. Please send photos of your beloved pets to mflory@youngstowndiocese.org by Oct. 3. Look for the flyer for more details.

### **Upcoming Dates**

October 5- Band Practice Begins October 5- Bus Evacuation October 7- Picture Day October 12- No School October 19- Walk-a-Thon (during gym class) October 22-28 Scholastic Book Fair 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