



A “Magical” Message from Mrs. Montgomery



This time in May, most in the education world feel, *“One jump ahead of the slowpokes”*. The final weeks of school are always set on high speed. With field trips, final exams, graduations, and warm weather (or not), life becomes busy. There are times an educator could wish for a “magic lamp”. With one rub of the lamp, “

You got some power in your corner now, Some heavy ammunition in your camp. You got some punch, pizzazz, yahoo and how, See all you gotta do is rub that lamp”. Life would be simple, all would be solved.

In May, our school is full of noise, movement, and excitement, but soon the building will be empty and things will be still, “A Whole New World” behind the bricks of SPJ. For me, a wish granted by a genie would be more time, longer days, another month. May for a principal is a time of deep reflection. A “magic carpet” ride through the year and a “look back” on how things went. You can say, this is the moment a principal is graded. Students are graduating and leaving to move into high school, new families are registering and joining the SPJ community.



This trip through the year, *“can open your eyes, take you wonder by wonder”*.

As I look back, one of the most magical parts of the SS Philip and James community are the friendships created. May is the month for Mary, and at SS Philip and James School it is also the month of Memories. *“You ain't never had a friend, never had a friend”*. This “palace” located in Canal Fulton, OH is a place of connections. The experiences created at SPJ, bring *“The ever impressive, the long contained, often imitated, but never duplicated”* ... Friends of SPJ!

Italics borrowed from Disney Aladdin song lyrics.





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Please share our VIRTUAL TOUR!

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TOUR TODAY: Scan the QR Code or Visit:
<http://bit.ly/SPJVirtualTour>

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* 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.

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SPJ

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<http://bit.ly/SPJReviews>

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“Music of SPJ” Concert!



Saturday, June 11 at 6:30-8:00pm at SS Philip and James Church

Invite family and friends, and come join in the songs with the music team of SPJ!

The wonderful music volunteers of our weekend Masses are putting on a concert for everyone!

Any students who come are welcome and encouraged to raise their voices to God up in the choir loft to help sing the worship songs! One of the songs will be “Go Make a Difference,” which you all sing so well. There will also be a new song we will learn called “Good God Almighty” by Crowder.



All are welcome to attend this summer concert!

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS



All Home & School meetings are on the same ZOOM link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81600673536>

The next meeting is May 10 at 7:00pm.

SPJ's Got Talent!

Plan to attend #THESPJWAY Talent Show on **May 31 @ 9:30 am.**
You will be amazed!!

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

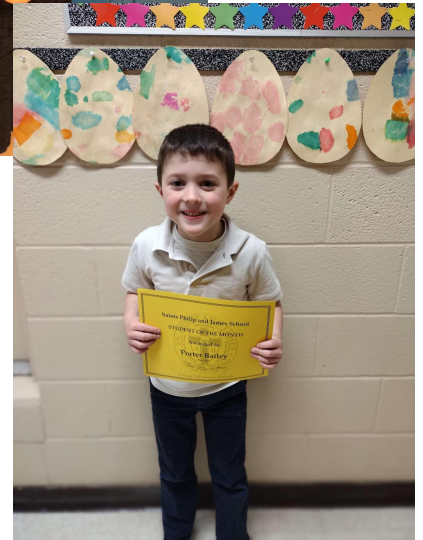
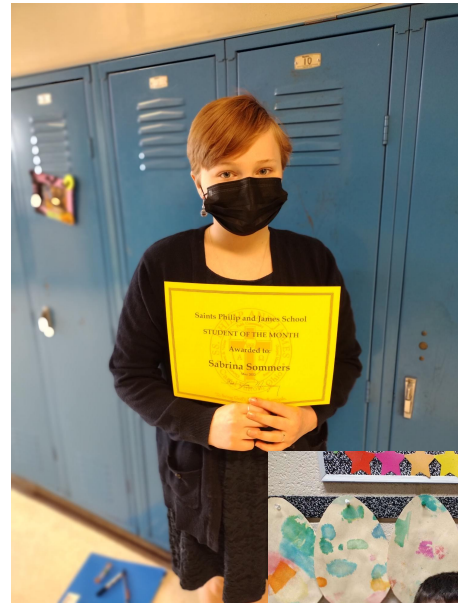
Share our video with friends!



Students of the Month

The upstairs teaching team has chosen Sabrina S. as their student of the month! Sabrina has been a great addition to our school this year. She comes to school with a smile and encouraging words. She is a great friend to her classmates and is the first to offer comfort and advice. Sabrina is kind and respectful to everyone around her. She works hard everyday and shows great resilience and dedication. Congratulations Sabrina!

Congratulations to Porter Bailey for being Student of the Month for the lower grades! Porter is in our Transitional Kindergarten class. His smile is contagious and he can always brighten a classmate's day. He is a kind friend and a good brother to his twin Jackson. Porter always tries his best with his school work. Great job, Porter!



Student Ambassadors for 2022

SS Philip and James School is booking tours to "show off our school". All tours are free and are a great way to see "Behind the Bricks" of SPJ. Student Ambassadors share the "student's view" of our school. They answer questions, show off their favorite spaces, and send a thank you following the visit. When the family enrolls each new student "Starts with a Friend". Call now [330-854-2823](tel:330-854-2823) Thank you Student Ambassadors for bringing new friends to SPJ. [#THESPJWAY](https://www.instagram.com/thespjway)



Our Student Ambassadors!



2022-2023 TUITION SAVINGS OPPORTUNITIES

EdChoice Expansion

EdChoice Papers have been sent home. Please return them asap to expedite the scholarship procedure. EdChoice Expansion eligibility was changed last year to 250% of federal poverty guidelines. Renewal Forms were placed in last week's Thursday Folders for renewal scholarships. If you feel you may qualify for this scholarship opportunity please contact me for more information.
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The FY 2023 Traditional and Expansion Application System is now open and the forms are available on the EdChoice website. <https://scholarship.ode.state.oh.us/>

**EdChoice Expansion is requesting income to be submitted electronically. Please use these guides to help. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4XiFre19K20&authuser=0>

- [Parent Income Verification Tutorial](#)
- [Scholarship Income Verification System Access](#)
- [How To Upload Documents - Quick Guide](#)

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

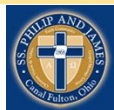
Scrip Is Still Available 100% assistance is available for 2021-2022 tuition.

We will order physical gift cards once a month now. We will still order on Sunday night so the cards can be sent home in the following **Thursday folders**. Please contact me ASAP if there is an error in your order when placed or received. Michelle DuPlain, Scrip Coordinator michelleduplain@gmail.com
330-704-8909 May 8




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If you shop on Amazon , don't forget your smiles! Just click on the chosen charity and click SS Philip & James, Canal Fulton. 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! Look for more information attached to this email.





COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				May 5 May Crowning @ 2:15	May 6 7th-8th Dance
May 7/ May 8 Mother's Day 	May 9 ACRE test for 5th and 8th	May 10 ACRE test for 5th and 8th Mr. Nick & the fifth/sixth drummers. H & S Zoom Meeting 7:00pm (Change in date)	May 11 ACRE test for 5th and 8th		May 13 CCHS Band Presentation 2:00
				May 19 Canal Boat Field Trip grades 3,4,5	
	May 23 7 & 8 Pittsburgh Trip 5 & 6 Rhoda Wise Trip 	May 24 7 & 8 Late Start Arrival Time 10:15	May 25 Dress Rehearsal for Talent Show		May 27 Preschool's last day \$1 jeans day Kindness Group
	May 30 Memorial Day-no school 	May 31 School Talent Show 9:30 am Field Day PM	June 1 TK-5 Zoo field trip 7th Wilderness Center trip 8th Massillon Trip	June 2 School Carnival 8th grade Graduation Mass 6:30 pm with reception	June 3 Last day-half day Kindergarten Mass Pass it On Awards Ceremony