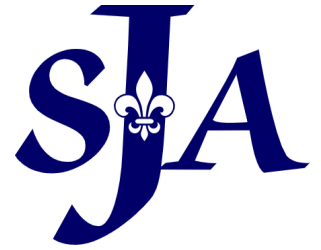


# St. Joan of Arc School

## Parent Newsletter



October 30, 2024

Dear SJA Families,

I want to thank all who participated in Trunk or Treat last Friday evening, and especially our H.S.A. who sponsored the event. What a happy community celebration it was! Our students and the other children there enjoyed it tremendously. Students also enjoyed the middle school social that evening, and their behavior would have made you proud.

I am aware that two dates have been given for the transition to the Winter uniform. We will transition to the Winter uniform on Monday, November 4.

On All Saints Day Mass on Friday, November 1, and for our school Masses after that date, the weekday Mass for students will return to the regular 8:30 time for parish Mass.

We also have a Family Mass coming up this Sunday, November 3, at 11:15 a.m. All students who attend will receive a dress down day pass for November 6. The homeroom with the highest percentage of students attending will have pizza for lunch delivered to their classroom on that same day, November 6. Mrs. Hinch and Mrs. Franke will record the names of attending students after Mass.

On Saturday evening, November 9, 5:30 to 7:00, St. Patrick will be hosting an Etiquette Dinner for young people age 11 and older, and their families. Fr. Emmanuel Wenke will be the special guest. The dinner will take place in the Church Hall, 650 Pennington Avenue, Havre de Grace. Dress will be business casual. To RSVP, call Abby Walton at 410-939-2525, ext. 102, or email her at [Abigail.walton@archbalt.org](mailto:Abigail.walton@archbalt.org).

Thanks, and God bless,  
Mr. Schmitz

## **Important Dates**

- **Oct 31** Halloween Class Party 2-3pm / Dress Down Day/ Stem Buddy Day
- **Nov 1** All Saints Day Liturgy 8:30am
- **Nov 3** Family Mass 11:15
- **Nov 4** Winter Uniform Begins
- **Nov 7** PreK3 - 1st grade Field trip to North Harford
- **Nov 8** Family Income Survey Dress down pass
- **Nov 15** Asynchronous Half day/ No students on campus
- **Nov 18** Scholastic Book Fair Begins
- **Nov 21** Parent Shop night at the Book Fair
- **Nov 26** Grandparents Special Friends Day/ Trimester 1 awards Assembly
- **Nov 27-29** Closed for **Thanksgiving Break**

## **Family Mass**

Please join us this weekend at Family Mass on Sunday November 3, 2024 at 11:15 mass. After mass please be sure to stop and see Mrs. Franke & Mrs. Hinch to mark you attending. Those that attended mass will receive a dress down pass for Wednesday November 6th. In addition, that class with the highest attendance will receive a pizza lunch on November 6th as well.

## **Winter Uniform**

Winter uniform begins November 4, 2024. Please make sure your student is in proper uniform. We apologize for the incorrect date in our Handbook.

## **Emergency & Weather related Closings/Delayed Openings**

St. Joan of Arc School follows the same procedures for school closing and delays as does the Harford County Public School System. If Harford County schools close early because of inclement weather, SJA will do the same. Extended Care will not open on days when school is closed. Morning Care will not be open when school is opening late. If school is dismissed early, Extended Care will be opened until 1 hour after dismissal.

## **Notes from the Nurse**

**Attendance:** If your child is going to be absent from school, arrive late or leave early~~ Could you please email their homeroom teacher along with '[attendance@stjoanarc.org](mailto:attendance@stjoanarc.org).'

**Early Pick up:** If your child is being picked up early please notify the teacher as well 'attendance'.

**Illness:** If your child is not feeling well in the morning, please consider keeping them home to evaluate their condition. This would be for any fever above 100.4, excessive coughing, stomach issues or sore throats. *We do have some cases of Streptococcus, Flu and Pneumonia around the building. If your child isn't feeling 100%, please consider keeping them home. Thank you!*

**Hearing and Vision Screenings:** These will be held on Monday, November 11th. The screening is for all PreK students, students new to our school, Grade 1 and Grade 8 students. If you are concerned about your child's vision or hearing, please let me know and they can be screened as well.

## **HSA**

Join us for Movie Night November 8, a flyer is attached with more information.

## **World's Finest Candy Bar Fundraiser**

Thank you to all the families participating. The response has been great and we have sold almost 400 boxes so far!! The last day to turn in any money is this Friday November 1st. If you have any questions regarding the fundraiser please email [Chinch@stjoanarc.org](mailto:Chinch@stjoanarc.org).

## **Restaurant Night**

See the attached flyer for our ongoing Restaurant night for October/ November at Little Caesars.

## **Parish News**

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## **Community News**

### **Christmas time is nearing...**

As the leaves are falling and temperatures are getting cooler, Christmas will be arriving before we know it. Please join SJA walking in the Aberdeen Christmas Parade. This is Aberdeen's biggest event of the year. Start your day at the Craft fair at Aberdeen Volunteer Fire Department,

followed by the parade through town, and end your day at Festival Park for the tree lighting. We will keep you posted on time in the next few weeks.

# THE POLAR EXPRESS

**BRING A  
BLANKET &  
WEAR YOUR  
PJ'S!**

YOU'RE INVITED TO A SJA

## MOVIE NIGHT

NOV 8TH | SHOWTIME 6:30  
Doors open at 6:00 pm

\*\* Popcorn & hot chocolate available for purchase \*\*

RSVP: Email [jeeprincess1369@yahoo.com](mailto:jeeprincess1369@yahoo.com)  
Include each child's name & grade to receive a  
golden movie ticket before the event!

BELIEVE  
All aboard!  
POLAR EXPRESS

TICKET  
CINEMA

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*The Church of St. Patrick invites  
Youth Eleven Years and Above and their Families*



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ETIQUETTE DINNER

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*Featuring Special Guest; Fr. Emmanuel Wenke OFM Conv.*

*Saturday, the Ninth of November  
Two Thousand and Twenty Four  
Five Thirty in the Evening to Seven  
O'Clock*

*Doors will open at five o'clock  
Business Casual Attire*

*650 Pennington  
Avenue  
Havre de Grace,  
Maryland 21078*

*Please RSVP by 11/8 via phone call or email to Abby  
Abigail.walton@archbalt.org  
410-939-2525 ex: 102*

# SJA SCHOOL **PIZZA** FUNDRAISER



**EVERY PIZZA NIGHT CAN EARN MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL,  
SCAN TO ORDER YOUR MEAL DEAL PICK UP ORDER TODAY.**



**Little Caesars**  
*Fundraising*

**NOW THRU  
NOV 18TH**



**CRAVING PIZZA? WE CAN HELP!**

**PRE-PURCHASE YOUR MEAL DEAL FOR IN-STORE PICKUP USING  
OUR SJA QR CODE. EACH MEAL DEAL YOU BUY RAISES \$6 FOR SJA,  
AND YOU'LL HAVE DINNER COVERED - WIN, WIN!**





