



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Graduation is a long awaited day for students. It is a symbol of accomplishment, perseverance, and success. It is a new beginning, with new adventures and new friends – a giant step forward. We are proud to announce our **GRADUATING CLASS OF 2017!**

Kate Balcom

Alexander Bartee

Catherine Baxter

Vincent Cannata

Alyssa Barnum

Michael Batchen

Cole Boryszak

Katherine Connerton

Patrick Connolly

Danielle Dankanich

Aidan Deyell

Katerina Eford

Aidan Curtin

Sammy DeRose

Elizabeth Doucette

Thomas Fabiano

Michael Farruggia

Taylor Ford-Wiorkowski

Bruce Gostomski, Jr.

Joseph Hibbert

Morgan Feyko

Carly Gianadda

Abigail Hertz

Madelyne Kamens

Molly Knight

Gia LoTempio

Joseph Manna

Jacquelyn McDonnell

Maxwell Kwitchoff

Elizabeth Mahoney

Luke McCloud

Grace Moore

Elizabeth Murphy

Collin O'Bryan

Giana Rich

Grace Sarkisian

Emma Nist

Tessa Pezzino

Anna Salemi

Grace Schlau

Anna Seewagen

Mary Short

Joseph Sizemore

Ellianna Werder

Valentina Semeraro

Mia Sidor

Olivia Warrington

Kelsey Whelan



CONGRATULATIONS 8th Grade Graduates

We are talking proud!

I always had faith that you could "MAKE IT HAPPEN!"



Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded scholarships from the following high schools. They are:

Cardinal O'Hara High School



Principal's Academic Choice Education Scholarships were awarded to Grace Moore, Joseph Hibbert and Taylor ford-Wiorkowski

MERIT Scholarship was awarded to Gia LoTempio

Douglas Rose Memorial Scholarship was presented to Gia LoTempio

Mount St. Mary's Academy

Presidential Scholarships were awarded to Mary Short and Olivia Warrington

Academic Excellence Awards were given to Catherine Baxter, Molly Knight, Mia Sidor, and Ellianna Werder

Daughters of the Mount were awarded to Elizabeth Murphy and Morgan Feyko

Board of Trustee Scholarship was presented to Abigail Hertz

Founders' Scholarship was awarded to Alyssa Barnum

Msgr. Francis G. Weldgen Award was given to Morgan Feyko

Scholastic Achievement Awards were given to Kate Balcom, Katerina Esford, and Anna Seewagen

Leah Stephens Luhr Snyder '49 Scholarship was presented to Anna Salemi

Betsy Murphy Scholarship was given to Elizabeth Murphy

Mount St. Mary's Academy Band Award was presented to Kate Balcom

Student Council Scholarship was presented to Anna Seewagen

St. Joseph Collegiate Institute

Christian Brothers' Scholarship was awarded to Thomas Fabiano

Legacy Awards were presented to Vincent Cannata, Aidan Curtin, Thomas Fabiano and Maxwell Kwitchoff

DeLaSalle Scholarship was presented to Maxwell Kwitchoff



Continuing Catholic Education Awards were presented to Aidan Deyell, Joseph Hibbert, Cole Boryszak, Vincent Cannata, Aidan Curtin, Michael Farruggia and Luke McCloud

Buffalo Academy of The Sacred Heart



Head of School Scholarship was presented to Olivia Warrington

Leadership Award was given to Olivia Warrington

An Alumnae Scholarship in Memory of Alice Morlock Barth “31 was presented to M Ellianna Werder

Over \$215,350 in scholarships was awarded to the Class of 2017

St. John's School. . .it's worth the investment!



FINAL ASSESSMENTS – JUNE EXAMS – GR. 3-8



Teachers have already begun the review of material, which will be tested, or passed out project assignments used for final assessments. We encourage students to look over the review sheets teachers have prepared for the students and to spend sufficient time studying at home. Each of the grade level teachers has prepared an exam schedule that was given to the students.



RECOGNITION AWARD ASSEMBLY – Grades 4 – 6 only

Our Recognition Award Assembly will take place on Monday, June 19th at 9 a.m. in our gym. The ceremony has been changed this year to recognize students in grades 4 to 7 only; some 7th and 8th graders will be recognized at Moving Up Day for certain qualities on June 2nd and 1st to 3rd graders will celebrate their 'end-of-the-year success' in their individual homerooms. The Faculty and Staff will recognize the **achievements of our children in Grades 4 – 7** during this assembly. The recognition certificates will include: Academic Awards in Core Subjects (Math, ELA, Social Studies and Science), Citizenship, Christian Living, Most Improved and Outstanding Effort. ***Please note that not all children may be recognized or receive an award certificate.***

USED UNIFORM SALE



Reserve the date - **June 19th from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** to purchase a used uniform (jumpers, skirts, blouses, boy's pants, shirts). The sale of the used uniforms will be located in our **gym**. The uniforms are reasonably priced and in very good condition. Save in costs especially when your children are growing so quickly! Theresa Covelli and other parents will be there to assist you. This is the **only day** reserved; this is an early dismissal day at 11 a.m. **We are in need of girls' jumpers or skirts.**

FATHER'S DAY – JUNE 18th



What is a Father? *He's strength and security, laughter and fun . . . A prince to his daughter, a pal to his son . . . A great story-teller and mender of toys . . . Who's seldom dismayed by his family's noise . . . He's an "everyday" Santa who brings home surprises . . . The man to consult when a problem arises . . . As eager a worker as there'll ever be! Who wants the best for his whole family . . . He's a loving instructor who struggles to teach his child to achieve all the goals one could reach . . . And he knows in his heart that it's worth all the bother, when he hears that child say: "That man? He's my Father!"*

Happy Father's Day to all our dads, step-dads, and grandfathers! May the Lord bless you abundantly!

HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION



Thank you Jamie Wells, Melissa Richey, Tracy Hadden, Melissa DiGuissepe, and Chair-personnel for Events, for your tireless effort in all the activities planned for this year! The programs, field trips, buses, teachers' workshops, etc. are very much appreciated by the students, Faculty and Staff!

Thanks to the many parents who participated in the events. We appreciate your time, work and effort, too! **Thanks** to all the parents and friends who have supported the Home School fundraising ventures. **We had a great time!!!**

Home School Officers for the 2017-2018 school year are: Jaime Wells - President, Diane Hoadley - Vice President, Tracy Hadden - Treasurer and Melissa DiGuissepe - Secretary.

The Administration looks forward to working with all of you for the benefit of our school children in the upcoming school year!

FYI: Meetings for the 2017-2018 will be held on most first Thursdays of the month! Hope to see you at the parent meetings.

REPORT CARDS - FINANCIAL OBLIGATION



Parents/Guardians have been receiving notices of financial obligations that need to be met before the end of this school year. All **tuition, fees**, and the **B.E.S.T. Program BUYOUT** must be paid in full before a report card will be given. Any school records or transcripts will not be forwarded to the new school until all fees are paid. Don't forget your parishioner status/financial obligation to St. John's Church. Listed below are the dates of the final days of school for the following grades:

June 14	Pre-Kindergarten 3 year old program
June 15	Pre-Kindergarten-4 and Kindergarten
June 20	Grade 8 – Graduation at 7 p.m.
June 21	Grades 1-7

Please do not wait until the last day to meet your financial obligations!

ST. JOHN'S GIFT CARD PROGRAM – REMINDER

The summer months/vacations are ahead of us and the **Gift Card Program** will continue in July and August. You will be credited for any activity in July and August for



next year's B.E.S.T. Program. You will find the **order form** on the **website under quick links!** New order forms (paper copy) will go home in September backpacks!

Remember, using the gift card program for personal or corporate orders helps to raise money for the school. . . plan ahead for your "back to school" supplies.

Next order date is Wednesday July 12th – you may drop it off at the school office, the rectory or call Laurie to make arrangements. August gift cards will be placed on **Wednesday August 9th.**

If you have any questions, please call Laurie Krygier at 895-7743. **Orders placed in July and August 2017 will go towards the B.E.S.T. Program for the 2017-18 school year!**

JOB OPPORTUNITY – Laurie has been doing the Gift Certificate Program for many years **and would like to pass the baton onto another diligent and responsible adult.** She will walk you through it so that you are comfortable with the program. **If you are interested please contact the school office.**

B.E.S.T. PROGRAM FOR 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR



You will receive shortly in your backpack mail folders the **2017-18 Football Pool tickets.** You will receive 15 tickets to sell to family, relatives, co-workers, and friends for \$10 each. **Eighty (80) percent** of this fund raiser will go towards your mandatory raising of **\$400 for the B.E.S.T. Program** for the 2017-18 school year. If you need more tickets, **you must return the 15 stubs and the payment in full (\$150)** to receive an increment of 10 additional tickets. This will be on a first come, first serve basis. To get credit be sure your **family name is printed clearly** on the stub! Good Luck!

If you are unable to sell the tickets, please return them to the school office.

DIOCESAN'S "PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN"

Thank you to all the parents who filled out the "Volunteer" form and attended the 3 ½ hour VIRTUS training session in order to work/assist with our children. This is required/mandated if you want to help in the class room or chaperone on field trips.

KEEP UP-TO- DATE TO YOUR COMMITMENT! Do Your Training Bulletins. Go to www.virtus.org sign in and use your password. Click on the **MY TRAINING tab.** On the right hand side will be the links of **"training bulletins"** and **Training Bulletin Report.** Click on either of these links and begin reading these bulletins, please! Your report will list the date(s) that you read (or didn't read) the training bulletins. We must meet the 100% requirements of this mandated program. Trainings bulletins will be posted in the summer months, too!

LUNCH MONITORS NEEDED FOR 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR



Before you know it September will be here. Our first day of school will be on Wednesday September 6th (11 a.m. dismissal). On Thursday September 7th, Friday September 8th and the first full week in September are full days of school with the hot lunch being served. If you can assist in the Volunteer Lunch Monitor Program in

September, please drop me a note and I will remind you with a phone call in September. On the first day of school a sheet will go home explaining in more details about this program along with a sign-up sheet. Thank you!

This past year we had 35 volunteers, yet we were short monitors on many days. I may have to make every family responsible throughout the year to commit to 3 days to work cafeteria duty if I don't receive enough volunteers.

SAFETY ALERT



Wear Bike Helmets on Bicycles – Not on Playgrounds. . .The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) warns that children should not wear bike helmets when playing, especially on playground equipment. CPSC has reports of two strangulation deaths to children when their bike helmets became stuck in openings on playground equipment, resulting in hanging. CPSC also has reports of four cases where no injury occurred. In two of these cases the children were climbing trees, and in the other two cases, the children were on playground equipment.

Children should always wear helmets while riding their bikes. But, when a child gets off the bike, take off the helmet. There is a “hidden hazard” of strangulation if a child wears a helmet while playing on playground equipment.

****Skateboarders** should also wear a **helmet** to safeguard their heads! Please. . .if using your skateboard to school, please wear a helmet!



A REMINDER TO PARENTS FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Listed below are the NY State requirements for students entering the following grades in September 2017:

Kindergarten – DTaP #5 (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis booster), MMR#2 (measles, mumps, rubella booster), and Varicella #2 (chicken pox booster), and IPV #4 (polio booster) - required by the first day of school**, as well as a current physical exam, completed after 9/6/16.



6th Grade – Tdap (pertussis) booster, required by the first day of school** if your child is 11 years old. Students turning 11 in the fall will be tracked by the Health Office, and you will receive a reminder.

2nd, 4th, or 7th Grade – A current physical exam, completed after 9/6/16.

Your child entering 9th grade will also need a current physical, regardless of the school he/she will be attending.

7th Grade – **New Immunization requirement** by the first day of school**; Menactra (meningitis vaccine)

Please contact Suzanne Kiehl, RN, at 877-6401, Ext. 32, if you have any questions.

**A student who is not in compliance with immunization regulations by the first day of school may be excluded from school until a valid record is submitted.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR

You may purchase the supplies over the summer at your leisure. You will receive the school supply list in your child(ren) report card at the end of the year. Your child will

also receive their summer reading requirements and list of books to keep them engaged during the summer months. Math summer packets will be included with the reports cards, too. **Supply list and reading list will be on the website under the grade your child will be entering in September.**

Golf Tournament and Scholarship Dinner Update



The SJS Golf Tournament & Scholarship Dinner will be held on **Saturday, September 9th**. The scramble tournament begins at 8 AM at Sheridan Golf Course, followed by our Scholarship Dinner here in Klauder Hall. Line up your foursomes and register today!

Or, grab a friend and join us for dinner that night. This delightful evening begins with live music, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a sensational silent auction and gift pull. Then, the excitement and energy will really heat up during our *newly revamped* live auction!

Additionally, the committee is working hard to procure corporate sponsorships and prize donations for our auctions. If you know of a company willing to sponsor our event, please let us know. Likewise, tickets to sporting/culture events, vacation homes/condos, jewelry, electronics, etc., are also greatly appreciated. There are many opportunities, at varying levels...our team would be happy to discuss ways you could best support this most worthy event.



Finally, committee members are still looking for parent volunteers. This is our largest fundraiser to benefit scholarship & tuition assistance and a very important event for SJS. We are counting on **everyone** to contribute in the way that's best for them.

For information, contact Michelle Salemi at (716) 877-6401, by cell (716) 868-0096 or her email address is msalemi@stjohnskenmore.com



FYI: The school office will be closed Monday July 3rd and Tuesday July 4th! The school hours from July 5th to August 18th Mondays through Fridays will be 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. If dropping off football tickets (purchased or returning envelopes) or if you need to receive more, please note the times we will be in the school office. Please call us to make any arrangements for pick-up or drop-off of tickets at 877-6401 during the summer school hours.

****August 21st to September 1st the office is open from 8 am to 3 pm.**

Have a great summer!

