

SCHOOL NEWS



St. John the Baptist Catholic School Newsletter



Mark Your Calendar!

March 9: Noon Dismissal; End of the 2nd Trimester

March 11: HSA meeting at 10:15 AM in the school library; School Open House 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

March 18: COGAT testing for Grades 3 & 5

March 22: Mission Day to benefit the Gift of Life – Organ Donations (more info to come)

March 22: Spirit Day at Paesano's Restaurant

March 23: Lenten Presentation by Catholic Singer, Sam Kauffman

March 28 – April 2: Easter Break

From the Principal's Desk...

I know that everyone has a heightened awareness and concern about school safety. We have put into place many things that help to keep everyone safe. If you see someone suspicious on our campus or in our parking lot please don't hesitate to let us know. Since all of the most recent events, I have spoken to many experts and have received a lot of good information about best practices. We are taking even more steps to ensure the safety of everyone on our campus and will continue to do so. We have several drills scheduled in March so that our children know what to do in any type of emergency. Fr. Bob will be announcing soon that St. John's Way will be one way during the morning drop off. That is just one more example of things we need to do to keep everyone safe. But the best thing you can do is to continue to keep our school and our families in your prayers.



2018 K'Nex STEM Design Challenge



Thanks to Mrs. Williams and Mr. Kelchaw, we were able to send 7 teams to the recent K'Nex competition in Adams County. The children were challenged to create a household item that was environmentally friendly. I'm proud to announce that one of our teams won 3rd place against 47 other teams for their grade level. Congratulations to our winning team: Allie Patera, Luke Campbell, Johnny Kelchaw and Olivia Struck and to all of our teams for their team spirit in representing our school!





DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

For their service project, the fifth grade class held a dental health competition. They asked each of the classes to bring in dental items during the month of February and the class that brought in the most items would win a movie and pizza. The fifth grade class ended up the winners! The entire school submitted 1557 dental health items to the Food pantry. Thank you all for the great support!



Good Information!



REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL AID

Registration for the 2018-19 school year is due now. Please complete the forms so we can plan appropriately for next year. Financial aid applications are due no later than April 16th.

OPEN HOUSE

We will again be offering a School Open House on March 11th, from 12:30 – 2:00. This is an opportunity for new families to see what St. John's school has to offer. Tours will be given and teachers are available to answer questions. Please share this info with your family and friends that may be interested in our school. Our recent survey listed a personal connection as the best way that families learned about our school.

COGAT TESTING

Grades 3 & 5 will be tested during the week of March 18th. Please be sure that your child gets adequate rest and a good breakfast this week so they are on the top of their game. Tests last less than an hour a day, so this is not too stressful for them. These tests are mostly for us as a school to see what the children have learned and if there are any areas of weakness that we need to address.

COME AND CELEBRATE NEW LIFE

Sam Kauffman, Catholic singer, songwriter and recording artist will be here at our school to present a show based on Scripture, supported by her original music, stories, poetry and dramas. This show is made possible thanks to the generosity of all our families who support HSA in any way. Thanks to HSA for providing this timely presentation to celebrate the New Life of Spring.

COURAGE



Virtue of the Month

February Winners:

K – Kara Krickler

1 – Chase Fitzpatrick

2 – Liam Brennan

3 – Joey Kelchaw

4 – Maryn Evler

5 – Madeline Murphy

6 – Olivia Struck



Principal's Awards



Eli Mazziott: Helping to carry a teacher's book and then making sure she didn't need anything else

Luke Manfredi – Offering to sit with a new friend

Abby Sheldon – Reading at Sunday Mass

Olivia Struck – Singing at Sunday Mass

