

February 24, 2021



# St. John Catholic School

*Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish*



## ON THE HORIZON:

**Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting  
6:00pm  
Link emailed to parents

**Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Onsite Learning  
Begins  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Onsite Learning  
Begins

**Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
End of Trimester 2  
Minimum Day Dismissal-  
Professional Development for  
Staff

Dear Shamrock Family,

It has been a joyous week, welcoming TK and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students onsite for in-person learning! Next week, six 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and ten 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will join, for a total of 28 students on campus. I share gratitude for the families who have paid such careful attention to school schedules and protocols and to the families both onsite and at home who continue to gift our school with flexibility and commitment. I remain honored to work alongside of dedicated staff who continue to pivot to meet the needs of their students. We are stronger in our collective capacity, and I am grateful for all the parts of our one shamrock family!

Lenten Blessings,  
Ms. Paige Child

## *A Litany for Lent*



We fast from judging others,  
but feast on patience.  
We fast from apparent differences,  
but feast on unity of all life.  
We fast from words that pollute,  
but feast on words that affirm.  
We fast from complaining,  
but feast on appreciation.  
We fast from bitterness and anger,  
but feast on forgiveness and mercy.  
We fast from discouragement,  
but feast on hope.  
We fast from suspicion,  
but feast on trust.  
We fast from idle gossip,  
but feast on purposeful silence.  
We fast from problems that overwhelm,  
but feast on prayer that strengthens.

## NOON DISMISSAL DAYS ARE NOW MINIMUM DAYS:

Our traditional noon dismissal days have now changed to minimum days, following that of the onsite dismissal schedule, by level. The minimum day school schedule will occur as follows:

Level 1 (TK-2<sup>nd</sup>) School day ends at 11:55am  
Level 2 (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) School day ends at 12:20pm  
Level 3 (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) School day ends at 12:40pm

### **Refer A New Shamrock Family and SAVE \$\$\$:**

St. John Catholic School administration is interested in YOUR referrals of new shamrock families for the 2021-2022 school year. Current school families who refer a new family that is accepted and begins the 2021-2022 school year will receive \$400 OFF a tuition payment during the upcoming school year!

Here's how it works:

- A currently enrolled school family refers a new, unassociated, non-family member to St. John Catholic School (Meaning someone new to the school community; No siblings of current students; no former students, etc.\*\*)
- The prospective family contacts St. John to enquire about enrolling and tells us that you referred them.\*

*(\*New families must indicate the name of the current school family that referred them upon INITIAL CONTACT with the SJCS.)*

- After the new school family is accepted and starts school at SJCS in the 2021-2022 school year, your family will earn \$400 off a tuition payment during the 2021-2022 school year.

Just advise the new\*\* family to reach out to Ms. Aimee at (510) 276 -6632 or [asire@csdo.org](mailto:asire@csdo.org). Remember, tell the new family that they must mention that they have been referred by you! We encourage you to share our school website with prospective families you may know. <https://www.stjohncatholicsschool.org>

*\*\*Family members, extended family, previous SJCS families/ students, legacy families do not qualify.*

*Referral is non-transferable. The St. John Catholic School administration will notify current families of earned tuition incentives. The \$400 tuition incentive will be given to current school families for each new family they refer (not per each new student). There is no limit to the amount of referral incentives a current family can receive. This referral incentive program is only valid until 8/5/2021 and only for families enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year.*

### **IN-PERSON LEARNING DROP-OFF:**

For all families with students learning onsite, if at all possible, we request that students be seated on the passenger side of cars during morning drop-off, as this will make temperature taking a more efficient process.

### **SCRIP FUNDRAISING:**

What is SCRIP? SCRIP is Fundraising While You Shop®, it turns everyday shopping into cash for SJCS when families use retail gift cards to pay for everyday purchases (like gas and groceries) instead of the usual credit/debit card or other money.

How? Profits from your purchases count toward your family's annual \$300 fundraising obligation.

Did you know there are over 700 retailers to choose from? Visit [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) for a complete list of participating vendors! Please email Ms. Aimee at [asire@csdo.org](mailto:asire@csdo.org) with any questions.

SCRIP order due dates for 2021: March 11<sup>th</sup>, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, May 13<sup>th</sup>

### **HEALTH & SAFETY:**

Talking to kids about wearing masks — Even though children are less likely to become seriously ill from COVID-19, they can still spread the virus to others. To help them get comfortable with their face coverings, [watch our video for tips on how to talk to your child about why we wear masks.](#)