



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish

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From the Principal's Desk



Dear SJCS Families,

I offer an autumn prayer to you today.

Prayer for Autumn Days

Author Unknown

God of the seasons, there is a time for everything; there is a time for dying and a time for rising. We need courage to enter into the transformation process.

God of autumn, the trees are saying goodbye to their green, letting go of what has been. We, too, have our moments of surrender, with all their insecurity and risk. Help us to let go when we need to do so.

God of fallen leaves lying in colored patterns on the ground, our lives have their own patterns. As we see the patterns of our own growth, may we learn from them.

God of misty days and harvest moon nights, there is always the dimension of mystery and wonder in our lives. We always need to recognize your power-filled presence. May we gain strength from this.

God of harvest wagons and fields of ripened grain, many gifts of growth lie within the season of our surrender. We must wait for harvest in faith and hope. Grant us patience when we do not see the blessings.

God of geese going south for another season, your wisdom enables us to know what needs to be left behind and what needs to be carried into the future. We yearn for insight and vision.

God of flowers touched with frost and windows wearing white designs, may your love keep our hearts from growing cold in the empty seasons.

God of life, you believe in us, you enrich us, you entrust us with the freedom to choose life. For all this, we are grateful.

Blessings,
Ms. Paige Child, Principal
pchild@csdo.org

STUDENT SAFETY is our TOP PRIORITY!

There will be a **mandatory Cyber Safety Parent Assembly** on **Tuesday, October 25th** from **7:00-9:00pm** in the St. John gym. Free childcare will be offered in the school building and 2 service hours can be earned for attendance.

This is a **VERY** important and informative presentation that is sure to help each parent better protect their child from the potential dangers of the internet. We require that one parent per family attend this event so to work in partnership in the protection of our scholars.

Awareness is the first step in prevention, so let's take that step together!

Please email asire@csdo.org by **Friday, October 21st** to **RSVP** if you will be **needing child care.**

Help us earn 50,000 Bonus Box Tops for our School!

Thanks to General Mills and Walmart, every Walmart-exclusive Box Tops Certificate that we clip and collect until 11/2/2016 earns our school a chance to be one of 20 Winners of 50,000 Bonus Box Tops!
(That's \$5,000 for our classrooms)



With your help, we can make a difference for our school.

Thank you for all your hard work and support!

In order to submit on time, please turn in all Box Tops by October 26th!!!

English and Spanish Translation

Dear St. John Families,



Parent volunteer, Maria Gutierrez will be at St. John this Friday, October 21st at 8:00am to offer English and Spanish translation to any school parent or family member. She will also be available to chat with any parents who care to know more about the school.

Estimados padres de familia de nuestra escuela St. John

Maria Gutierrez, una madre de familia de nuestra escuela ha ofrecido sus servicios para servir como traductora aquí en St. John. Ella va a estar disponible este viernes 21 de Octubre a las 8:00 de la mañana. Ella estará disponible para responder cualquier pregunta que puedan tener así como para dar información a otros padres de familia que estén interesados en saber mas sobre nuestra escuela.



Reminder:

There will be training for Altar Servers on **Wednesday, October 26th** at 7:00pm in the Church.

Attention Volunteers:

Adults who volunteer at our school, including as chaperones or drivers on field trips, must be fingerprinted and complete Safe Environment Training.

This is a diocesan mandate.

Finger Printing

- Fingerprinting Services of America, 225 W. Winton Avenue, Suite 120, Hayward, CA. 510-440-8000
- You must pick up a form from the school office and pay the \$34 fee to SJCS.

Safe Environment Training

- **English Link:**
https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_2.cfm?theme=0&org=22671
- **Spanish Link:**
https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/sp_reg_1.cfm?theme=0%20
- Must be completed PRIOR to beginning service.
- Must be completed every three years.
- There is a \$5 fee payable to SJCS- Please turn in with your certificate



Calendar Reminders

Outside Movie Night

Friday, October 21st

Red Ribbon Week

Monday, October 24th – Friday, October 28th

Mandatory Parent Cyber Safety Meeting

Tuesday, October 25th

Nacho Sales \$1

Wednesday, October 26th

Picture Retakes

Thursday, October 27th

Coffee Chat

Friday, October 28th



Melissa Ramos

for daily yard supervision

Melody Round

for biweekly nacho sales

Lina Garcia

for biweekly nacho sales





Schedule

Monday: “I’m Voting Against Drugs”
Students wear red, white, and blue
Day of skit (assembly in the morning)

Tuesday: “ ‘Lei’ off drugs”
Students wear Hawaiian tops, uniform
bottoms

**Wednesday: “Put Down the Drugs,
Give Hugs”**
Students give hugs to each other

Thursday: “Team Up Against Drugs”
Students wear their favorite sports
jerseys, uniform bottoms

Friday: “Peace Out to Drugs”
Students wear tie-dye shirts, uniform
bottoms

Dear Parents,

The week of October 24th thru October 28 our St. John's Family will be participating in Red Ribbon Week. For over 25 years Red Ribbon Week has served as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage participation in drug prevention activities and lead a drug free life.

Please take this opportunity to start a dialogue with your children, and allow them to participate in the upcoming Red Ribbon Week activities. By participating students are taking a stand against Drugs and making a pledge to live drug free lives. If you are looking for a fun Red Ribbon Week activity to open up a dialogue with your child, the Red Ribbon Week website is hosting a contest where you can win money and an iPad for school. You can check out the contest at www.redribbon.org/contest. More information can be found at www.redribbon.org.

Handbook Reminder:

Health and Safety - Medications:

- St. John Catholic School may not furnish any medications to students.
- All medication administration requires parent/guardian authorization.
- All prescription medications and aspirin require physician *and* parent/guardian authorization.
- All medications must be secured in the school office. Exception: back-up inhalers and Epi-Pens may be secured in the classroom as well as the office.
- Use of an Epi-Pen necessitates a 911 call.
- Because of the risk of students sharing medication, no student may carry their own medications. In the event that a student is seriously at risk without an Epi-Pen or inhaler, consideration will be given to a variance when the physician and parent document the following:
 - Risk of not carrying the medication
 - Student has been instructed in the indications, administration, side effects, responsibility not to share, and the responsibility to notify the teacher immediately after use
 - Glucose testing and insulin administration is coordinated by the parent/guardian in collaboration with the Principal

San Lorenzo Village Homes Associations Ninth Annual Children’s Halloween Parade and Game Extravaganza!

Saturday, October 29th
Ages 12 and under

Please see attached
flyer for more details

Come by and say HI!
*SJCS will be staffing a booth
again this year.*



Saint John's PTG PRESENTS

HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA



SJCS students, family, and friends join us for an Outdoor Movie Night. Spend the night under the stars in your Halloween Costume as we present HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA. Save 30% on Pre-Order tickets with a meal.

CONCESSION
STAND
OPTIONS

Hot Dogs
Chips
Drinks
Nachos
Candy
Ice Cream
Popcorn

**WHAT TO
BRING**

Chair

Blanket

Friends

October 21, 2016 – 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Where: St. John School Playground

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets Only \$2.00 Tickets w/ Meal \$5.00*

*** Meal Includes Hot Dog, Chips, & Drink**

Return Ticket Orders on or before 10/19/2016 to School Office/Teacher

STUDENT NAME: _____ GRADE _____

OF TICKETS ONLY: \$2.00 x _____ = \$ _____

OF TICKETS W/MEAL: \$5.00 x _____ = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ _____

Additional tickets available at the door.

Tickets sent home the day of event!



San Lorenzo Village Homes Association's Ninth Annual

Children's Halloween Parade and Game Extravaganza

In Honor of Ophelia Bohannon

For: All Children 12 and Under

Date: Saturday, October 29, 2016 - Rain or Shine

Time: Parade to start at 10:00 a.m.

**Place: Parade Participants to meet at 9:30 a.m. at
the San Lorenzo Community Church,**

945 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo

**Games and Festivities are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at:
377 Paseo Grande, SLVHA Parking lot and our
"Hoo"-riffic Haunted Hall!**

**For more info., contact 510-276-4554 ext. 8 or kathleen@slvha.com
Costume contest for both "Children" And "Pets" starts at 12 noon**

It's A "Hoot" of Halloween Fun!





We are very excited to celebrate Halloween at St. John Catholic School on Monday, October 31st. Families are invited to a Halloween Parade for PreK-8th graders from 8:00-8:30am in the school gym. October 31st is a noon dismissal day with SEP available both before and after school. Students are allowed to come dressed in a Halloween costume on this day.

In order to ensure the safety of our students and that the values of our Catholic school are upheld, please adhere to the following costume guidelines:

- Please do not send your children with weapons or in costumes that depict extreme violence, blood, or gore. Costumes should not be suggestive of anything inappropriate and in conflict with our school values.
- Please do not allow your child to come to school in a costume that includes a scary mask.
- Costumes should be appropriate and modest with no bare midriffs or shoulders exposed. Skirt length and footwear should be consistent with uniform guidelines.
- Students should be able to see, hear, move comfortably, and breathe easily in all costumes.
- This year there may be **NO CLOWN COSTUMES** of any kind!

With your help, we will enjoy a fun and safe Halloween celebration with our family at St. John Catholic School!

Thank you and Happy Halloween!!

SCRIP ORDER 2016 - 2017

Family Name _____
 Name & Grade of oldest child _____

****Orders Due by October 27, 2016.

Entertainment	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Century Theaters	4%	\$25		
Century Theaters Single Admit	10%	\$9.50		
Gas	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Arco	1.5%	\$50		
	2.5%	\$250		
Chevron	1%	\$50		
	1%	\$250		
Shell	2.0%	\$50		
		\$100		
Grocery	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Lucky/Savemart	2%	\$25		
		\$100		
Safeway	4%	\$25		
		\$100		
Smart & Final	3%	\$25		
		\$100		
Target	2.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Whole Foods	3%	\$25		
		\$100		

Fast Food/Restaurant	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Applebee's	8%	\$25		
Chipotle	10%	\$10		
IHOP	8%	\$25		
Olive Garden	9%	\$25		
Starbucks Coffee	7%	\$10		
		\$25		
Retail	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Amazon.com	3%	\$25		
		\$100		
Old Navy	14%	\$25		
		\$100		
Macy's	10%	\$25		
		\$100		
Marshall's/TJ Maxx	7%	\$25		
Ross	8%	\$25		
Sports Authority	8%	\$25		
		\$100		
Walgreens	6%	\$25		
		\$100		

Please refer to www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of participating vendors.

Write In Orders** (use back side of form if needed)	%	\$	QTY	Net \$

*Payment must be included with this form. Make checks payable to St. John Catholic School
 Turn completed forms to School Office or send back in Wednesday envelope.
 Orders will be ready in about 1 week.*

Cash Check # _____

**Orders Due by THURSDAY, October 27, 2016 10:00 AM.
 GET A HEAD START ON YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING!**

TOTAL \$ _____

- I will pick up my Scrip Order at the school office I will pick up my Scrip Order at SEP
 Please send home Scrip Order with eldest child

Purchased By (please print) _____ Phone # _____

I understand that Scrip is like cash and St. John Catholic School is not responsible if your Scrip order is lost or stolen.

Signature _____ Date _____