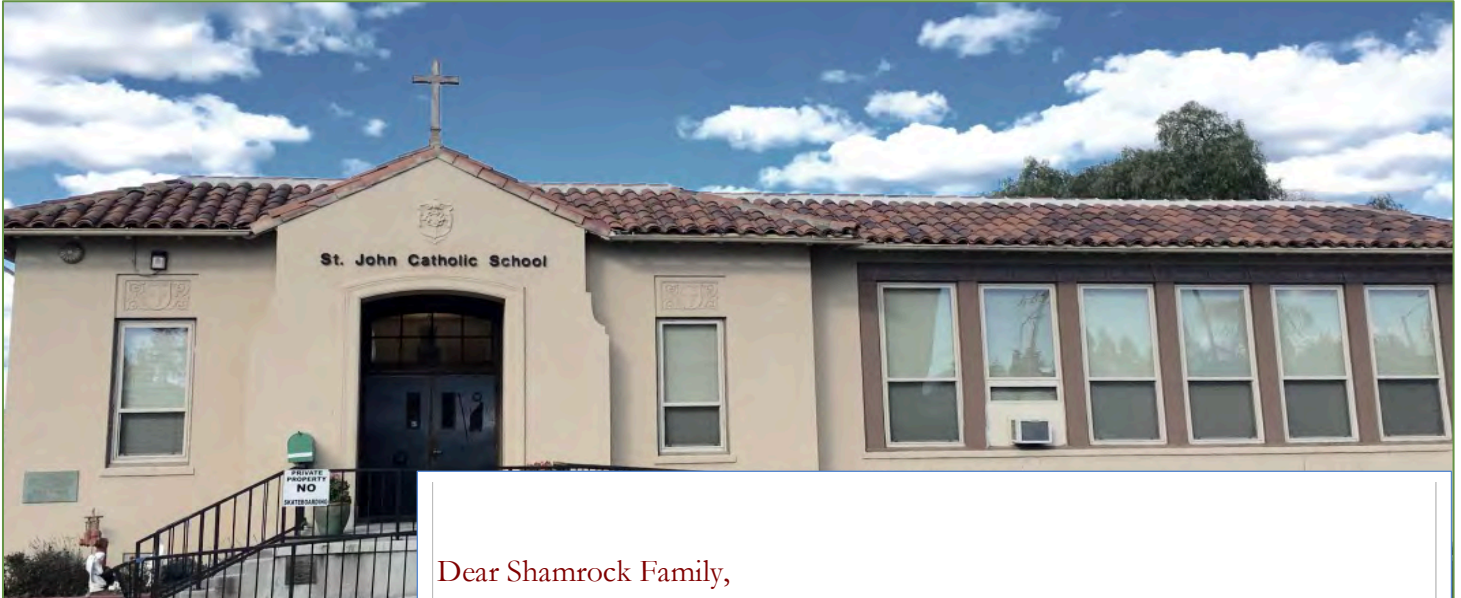


OCTOBER 23, 2019



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish



UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 21st – 25st

Red Ribbon Week

Friday, Oct 25th

Picture Day Re-take

Coffee Chat 8am-9am

Wednesday, Oct 30th

No School Mass

Thursday, Oct 31st

Junior High Social

TK-5th Halloween Carnival

TK-5th Class parties

Noon Dismissal

Friday, Nov 1st

Canned Food Drive Begins

All Saints Day Mass

Nacho Sale \$1

Dear Shamrock Family,

Recently I was discussing with fellow principals the topic of interpersonal relationships among students at our individual school sites. There was a consensus among most principals that often times we find that our students act out impulsivity or insecurity and that our students could overall benefit from better refining some social and problem-solving skill sets. While I find that the majority of our students do have pretty well honed interpersonal skills, I find that our students and parents could be provided with more information regarding how to name, categorize, and respond to unfavorable behavior from others.

There is a keen difference between that of rude, mean, and bully behavior. Often times I find the word bully overused and associated with behavior that does not represent that of what is defined as “bullying”. During this conversation among educational professionals, I was shared an article that I found helpful in better defining behavior that constitutes that of someone who is being rude, mean, or a bully. I have shared a link to this article below in hopes that you as parents will read it and have a conversation about the article, as is age appropriate, with your students/family at home. Kids can be rude and mean, as can adults, but a bully is something specific and no one should be misnamed a bully if their behavior does not meet the qualifications of the term. May we all work together to provide a more welcoming, supportive, and peaceful place in this world for all children and adults alike.

Article link: <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/passive-aggressive-diaries/201211/is-it-rude-is-it-mean-or-is-it-bullying>

Attentively,
Ms. Paige Child

Announcements

REMINDER

Parent Coffee Chat will be held on October 25th from 8am-9am in the Community Meeting Room (next to the gym). This is a perfect opportunity to speak with other parents and also get your questions answered by some of our faculty members.

BELL SCHEDULE

10:05 -10:25 K-2 Recess

10:40 -10:55 3-8 Recess

11:50 - 12:30 K-2 Recess

12:10-12:30 K-2 Lunch

12:15- 12:30 3-8 Lunch

12:30 – 12:55 3-8 Recess

UNIFORM EXCHANGE

Karen Strawn will be holding office hours for Uniform Exchange on Wednesday, Oct 30th from 2:40pm-5:00pm

CSDO ANNOUNCEMENT

“ On November 1st, at 10am, every parent and staff member will receive a text from saying, “You have been opted-in to receive SMS messages from Diocese of Oakland Schools. To opt out, reply No or Stop”

Hello Shamrock Families,

If you have completed your safe environment training and your fingerprints have cleared you will receive a **yellow "fast pass"** that will make your entry into the school much faster, especially on high traffic days like Halloween. As you know, all visitors must have cleared fingerprints and an updated safe environment certificate in order to enter the building. If you bring your yellow fast pass for school-wide party days you can go to the fast pass line to sign in. If you do not bring your yellow fast pass you will go to the regular line and office staff will make sure you have met the requirements to enter the building. All visitors **MUST CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE.**

Keep your yellow fast pass with you all year for quick entry into the school!

Dear Shamrock Family

Do you have a gift or talent to share? Do you have a passion or hobby that you would care to share with others? If so, you are in luck, as we need YOUR help! For the second year running, I am really trying to offer the opportunity of various after school clubs which our students could join, for a minimal cost, to enhance and extend their learning experience at St. John. I am inquiring as to if any parents/grandparents are interested in leading an afterschool club for our students, in return for service hours?

The clubs could range in variety- from cooking, reading, gardening, to dance and beyond and would ideally be held for about an hour, one to two days per week, for a four to six week stint (between January 7th -April 2nd). In order to be eligible to moderate a club, all you would need is to have completed your online safe environment training and have received fingerprint clearance. Please email Ms. Child by **November 1st** if you are interested in moderating a club!

In your email, please share with Ms. Child the following:

- Type of club interested in moderating
- Number of students ideal to join
- Age range/grade level of students ideal to join
- Materials needed for the club/participants
- Meeting dates/times within the January 7th-April 2nd time frame (Mon & Fri not recommended)

Thank you for considering, as I feel this could be a wonderful opportunity for our students!

Attentively,
Ms. Paige Child

TENNIS CLUB VOLUNTEERS

One parent shared her idea of a potential tennis club but would need two additional volunteers to make it possible. Please email Ms. Child if interested in helping with this. pchild@csdo.org

What's Lost CAN Be Found!

Our Lost and Found bin, located just outside the science lab, is overflowing with jackets and sweatshirts, lunch pails, notebooks, and more. If you have any items “missing,” please check the bin. A good number of items are NOT clearly marked with student names, which makes it difficult for us to proactively return items that go astray. Thank you for your cooperation in returning items to the rightful owner!

OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

TK ~ Avery Fabrigas

Avery is a very responsible, motivated, and passionate student. She comes to school every day with a smile, an excitement for learning, and a dedication for going above and beyond. Avery is a model student who sets a positive example for her classmates. She practices Christ-like behavior daily by saying kind words to her friends and always willing to help classmates in need. Avery participates during Religion and prays before each meal. Avery thank you for representing the Catholic Faith so effortlessly. You are such a delight to have in TK. Congrats on getting Student of the month.

K ~ Julian Millan

Julian Millan shows Christ-like Character each day. He demonstrates his faith by listening and responding appropriately during Mass and religion in class. He also loves to share peace. He is a great example of how students should behave and respond during mass and prayer.

1st ~ Lorenzo Lopez

Lorenzo is always kind and respectful to teachers and friends. He prides himself on following the rules and making good choices. When friends need help, he is the first to volunteer!

2nd ~ Jocelyn Duenas

Jocelyn consistently demonstrates positive outlook and attitude in the classroom. She sets an example of excellence in all areas of formation and continues to apply them in class. Her eagerness to participate in the Eucharistic celebration as a choir member and share her talent to the St. John Community are some examples of how she lives her faith and love for Jesus.

3rd ~ Francesca Ignacio

Francesca is a perfect example of a student who lives their Catholic faith. She sings in the choir and always puts all her effort into spreading joy through song. During religion class, she always shares great insights when giving responses to questions about how we can live in Jesus' example. She is always willing to help in class and often uses her free choice time to do jobs around the classroom. She is kind to her classmates and her happiness is contagious. Congratulations, Francesca and thank you for setting a good example!

4th ~ Marina Beers

Marina is a student inspired by Christ, following his message every day, and is an exemplary role model to her fellow classmates. Not only does she strives to do her best every day, but inspires her classmates to do the same. Marina can be heard telling her classmates keep up the good work or you don't understand the topic "yet" but you will. She has such a positive attitude that is contagious and is always so helpful to others. On the playground, Marina can be found cleaning up trash that was left behind by fellow students and doing so with a smile on her face. Thank you for all that you do and keep up the amazing work.

5th ~ Marissa Okialda

Marissa Okialda has been a constant example of what it means to be a student like Christ. She is always respectful, even when it isn't easy. She serves as an altar server and finds time to excel in sports and in the classroom. Congratulations Marissa and keep up the good work.

6th ~ Grace Burrell

Grace is among the most well behaved and good mannered students. She is cordial and polite in all situations and occasions. Grace works well with all of her fellow students and is concerned for their well being. She takes responsibility in and out of the classroom, follows up and completes all work assigned to her. Grace has been an asset for the school student council even as a first year member. All of the other members enjoy her company and are aware of her contribution

7th ~ Alexis Prim

Alexis Prim exemplifies what it means to live the Catholic faith in many ways. Alexis is an altar server, and volunteers her time to help in church activities not only during school but on the weekends as well. She balances all of this with completing her school work, and being involved in afterschool activities, such as dance. In the classroom, she is kind and helpful, and tries to set a positive example for others around her. She is also active, and pays close attention to religion lessons and discussions. Alexis shows how she learns and lives the Catholic faith each day. Keep being an example of Christ-like behavior Alexis!

8th ~ Aleiyah Prim

Aleiyah is a student who is always prepared for class and ready to share. She has been attending SJCS since kindergarten and, with her knowledge of our Catholic faith, it is evident that she has been paying attention. The enrichment of her knowledge of the Catholic faith is also being supported at home, through her immediate and extended family. Aleiyah is an altar server for our parish weekend masses as well as for our school masses, and can always be trusted to help other altar servers who are new or need reminding on what to do. She is a great example of what we aim for our 8th graders to be – a lifelong learner and leader of our faith! Congratulations, Aleiyah



We are very excited to celebrate Halloween at St. John Catholic School this Wednesday, October 31st. Family members are invited to a Halloween Parade for TK-8th graders from 8:00-8:30am in the gym. There will be a Halloween carnival for students in grades TK-5, and the annual Halloween Junior High Social for our students in grades 6-8.

- TK-5th grade Halloween carnival
 - 9:00am-9:20am- TK, K
 - 9:20am-9:40am- 1st, 2nd
 - 9:40am-10:00am- 3rd, 4th, 5th

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 or in conflict with our school values.
- Costumes should be appropriate and modest with no bare midriffs exposed. Skirt length and footwear should be consistent with uniform guidelines.
- Students should be able to see, hear, sit, move comfortably, and breathe in all costumes.
- Please ask your child's teacher if you have any questions.

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!!

BE HALLOWEEN Safe

Halloween is a fun, and spooky, time of year for kids. Make trick-or-treating safe for your little monsters with a few easy safety tips.



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HALLOWEEN FIRE SAFETY TIPS

- » **When choosing a costume**, stay away from long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eye holes are large enough so he or she can see out.
- » **Provide children** with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks as part of their costume.
- » Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper catch fire easily. **Keep all decorations** away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters.
- » **Use a battery-operated** candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns. If you use a real candle, use extreme caution. Make sure children are watched at all times when candles are lit. When lighting candles inside jack-o-lanterns, use long, fireplace-style matches or a utility lighter. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of the way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways and yards.
- » **Remember** to keep exits clear of decorations, so nothing blocks escape routes.
- » **Make sure** all smoke alarms in the home are working.
- » **Tell children** to stay away from open flames including jack-o-lanterns with candles in them. Be sure they know how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing catches fire. (Have them practice, stopping immediately, dropping to the ground, covering their face with hands, and rolling over and over to put the flames out.)

If your children are going to **Halloween parties** at others' homes, have them look for ways out of the home and plan how they would get out in an emergency.

Did you know?



Decorations are the first thing to ignite in **900** reported home fires each year. Two of every five of these fires were started by a candle.



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Family Name _____
 Name & Grade of oldest child _____

****Orders Due by October 24, 2019.

Entertainment	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Century Theaters	4%	\$25		
Century Theaters Single Admit	8.5%	\$11		
Gas	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Arco	1.5%	\$50		
	2.5%	\$250		
76	1.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Shell	1.5%	\$50		
		\$100		
Grocery	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Lucky/Savemart	2%	\$25		
		\$100		
Safeway	4%	\$25		
		\$100		
Smart & Final	3%	\$25		
		\$100		
Target	2.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Sprouts Farmers Market	5%	\$25		
		\$100		

Fast Food/Restaurant	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Applebee's	8%	\$25		
Chipotle	10%	\$10		
IHOP	8%	\$25		
Olive Garden	8%	\$25		
Starbucks Coffee	7%	\$10		
		\$25		
Retail	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Amazon.com	2.25%	\$25		
		\$100		
Old Navy	14%	\$25		
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Macy's	10%	\$25		
		\$100		
Marshall's/TJ Maxx	7%	\$25		
Ross	8%	\$25		
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Walgreens	5%	\$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 with your student.
 Orders will be ready in about 1 week.*

Cash Check # _____

Orders Due by THURSDAY, October 24, 2019 10:00 AM.
Get a head start on 2019-2020 fundraising!

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 _____



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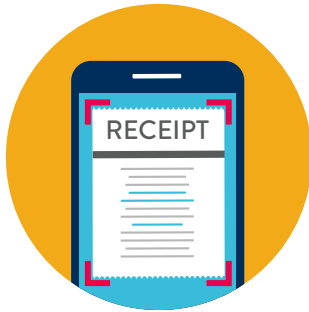


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** All valid Box Tops clips submitted per the Program Rules by a Coordinator(s) of (an) eligible, enrolled school(s) will be honored.*

THE NEW BOX TOPS LABELS



Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. **Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school.** The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.