

Under the guidance of Saint Joseph, Patron Saint of the Universal Church, Saint Joseph School endeavors to achieve academic excellence in a faith-filled and safe environment. School staff and parents collaborate to develop students' spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical well-being in a traditional Catholic environment.

January 11, 2023

Dear Parents,

Once again, a very Happy and Blessed New Year to all of our families! It certainly is good to get back to school with all of our staff and students.

We had a very nice meeting with our Parent Group last evening. What a wonderful school family that we have who have so many great ideas and events for our school community! The following students will have a “dress down” day on Thursday, January 12th: Genevieve and Gabriel Garganese, Amelia and Colton Fournier, Benjamin May, Rory, James, and Declan Hamrick, Aubrey Kunkle, Juliana Ereshena, Ryan Smith, Catherine Wigfield, Genevieve Nash, Jeannie Perry, Dakota Perkins, Aurora and Flynn Currier, Madeleine Gagnon, Hannah Sypher, Rad and Zane Tanksley, Thomas, Mary, Matthew and Christopher FitzGerald.

I sent home an email from Trooper Ethan Tanksley assuring that our school is safe as he does periodic safety checks during the school year which does include at least one lockdown. I feel that it is very important that all of our students are aware of all aspects of school safety. Trooper Tanksley has already spoken to our third and fourth graders and within the next week will also address our middle school students. Later, he will speak with our first and second graders, and lastly, our pre-kindergarten and kindergarten children. As always, these presentations are age-appropriate. Later on, he will do presentations on internet safety, and hopefully a parent night. At this time may I remind you of the importance of parents being diligent with regard to what your child/ren read, view on computers and television as I am sure that you are aware of the influence that these sources have on your children. We are grateful that our school has such a well-versed professional as Trooper Tanksley to share his expertise with our school community.

Starting next week and into the following week, all of our students in grades kindergarten – eight will be taking the NWEA tests.

Next week, we will be issuing progress reports for the second trimester only for students who are experiencing any difficulty.

Enclosed you will find a flyer advertising our upcoming Talent show and bonfire. If you have not already sent in a registration for the Talent Show, you will find one enclosed in this envelope.

Also included is:

- Hot lunch menu for the month of January
- Letter for all students receiving First Reconciliation on Saturday, January 21, 2023
- Flyer advertising our upcoming Mother-Son Brunch on Sunday, January 22nd.

LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday, January 14th	Talent Show/bonfire starting at 6:00 p.m. in our gym and then on our playground for the bonfire
Monday, January 16th	NO SCHOOL, MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
Sunday, January 22nd	Mother-Son Bowling, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

God bless you and have a wonderful week!

Sincerely in Jesus and Mary,

Sister Mary Patrick, SCMC
Principal