

February 12, 2018

.We are experiencing a large number of students who have been diagnosed with the flu. We contacted the Douglas County Health Department for information to pass along to you:

The symptoms of the flu are: Fever of 100 or greater, chills, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle aches or body aches, headache, feeling tired, some vomiting or diarrhea possible. Complications from the flu are: Dehydration, sinus and ear infections, worsening of asthma or COPD symptoms, pneumonia, and sepsis.

Check your symptoms. If you have many of the symptoms above, you may have the flu.

Stay home if you are sick, and isolate yourself away from those who are not sick in your house.

Do not return to school or work until you are fever free for at least 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medication).

Cover your coughs and sneezes (this is the primary way the flu is spread).

Keep your hands clean by washing your hands with soap and water frequently, especially after coughing or sneezing.

Disinfect surfaces that you may touch.

Drink plenty of water.

Consult your doctor if your symptoms worsen.

VALENTINE'S DAY SJ WILL CELEBRATE ON FEBRUARY 13 (FEB. 14 IS ASH WEDNESDAY)



Students are invited to exchange Valentine cards with students in their class. **Your child should include every child in the class. (example Blue Class or 4A). If they choose to give Valentines to another class, they need to include EVERYONE in that class. No special gifts or cards for friends. .**

. Parent Conference Request Forms went home in backpack mail today. Completed forms are due to school office on Feb. 16.

Please checkmark all the teachers' names with whom you wish to visit.

1. At the bottom of the form, **indicate a 1st and 2nd choice of days/times.** (This is very important because conference availability fills quickly.)

2. Return the form to the school office by Thursday, Oct. 12 (or before).

3. Conferences are scheduled first come, first served.

4. Pat Newton will schedule your conferences and fill in the times for each appointment on your form.

5. The completed form with your appointment times will be returned to you on Oct. 13.

If you did not receive a form or need an additional form for a second household, contact the office.



EXTENDED CARE DURING PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES FEB. 21, 22, 23

Extended Care is available Feb. 21, 22, 23 from 7am-6:00pm. Space is limited so please sign up with Ms. Roberts in Extended Care at roberts@saint-johns.net by Feb. 16 to ensure your child has a spot. Fees are: \$20-half day and \$30-full day (\$32 for Oct. 20). Please provide a sack lunch for Wednesday and Thursday. Snacks will be provided. Friday will be a pizza party lunch. Fun activities include: games, relays in the gym, crafts, movies, and recess. Limit 35 students per day.

Parent Surveys

As part of our AdvancEd accreditation process, SJ School conducted parent, staff, and student surveys provided by AdvancEd. Next year, we will conduct the AdvancEd Catholic survey identifying Catholic Characteristics.

Calendar: February and March

12	13	14	15	16	17
1:30 Burning of Palm Branches 6:30 PTO at Piasano's restaurant	2:50 Valentine Class Parties 	8:30 Ash Wednesday  Mass/planned by 3rd Red Class.	No school Mass 11:30 8th grade LPS High School enrollment	2:50 Cookie Sales	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
Book Fair	Book Fair 5:30 School Council	No school Parent Conferences Book Fair	No school Parent Conferences Book Fair	No school Parent Conferences Book Fair	25
26	27	28	March 1	March 2	24
	6th gr. Group to serve LINK	3:45 Anti Bully policy review meeting, rm 102	8:30 Mass/planned by 1st Blue	Kindergarten Elegant Day 2:00 4th & 5th Music Concert	3 Trash bags & gift cards after Mass 4

Looking Ahead

Feb. 13: Valentines' Day class parties
 Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday School Mass
 Feb 21,22,23: No School Parent Conferences & Book Fair
 Feb. 28: 6th grade Ski Trip
 Mar. 2: 2:00 4th & 5th Music Concert
 Mar 5: Spring Marathon Club begins
 Mar 8: 6:30-8:00 Art Show
 Mar 10-17: 8th to Washington, D.C.
 Mar. 12, 14: Auditions for spring musical
 Mar. 13: KS Assessment test window opens
 Mar 19-23 No School Spring Break
 Mar. 29: 3rd gr. Presentation of Stations of the Cross
 Mar 30 No School Good Friday
 Apr. 1: Easter
 Apr. 12: Confirmation
 Apr. 13: Math Jeopardy
 Apr. 13: Trivia Night
 Apr. 19: 8th gr. Holocaust Presentation
 Apr. 21: First Communion
 Apr. 27: KS Assessment test window closes
 Apr. 27: 3rd Grade Store
 May 4: 8th to KC Spanish & Art trip
 May 11: School Carnival
 May 21: 6:30 pm 8th Grade Graduation
 May 22 Last day of school noon dismissal

Nov. 3, 2018
St. John Auction
Save the Date!



SAINT JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Benefit Auction

Thank You

Alannah Jordan, Oscar Wilson, and Ryker Luedeke for donating to kindergarten Wish list in lieu of birthday gifts.

Kathy Ramirez for reviewing and approving student immunization records.

Anti Bully Program

St. John School adopted the Olweus Anti-bully program in 2008. A description of the program can be found on page 30 in the parent handbook. The SJ Staff is spending the next few months reviewing the program and making updates. We invite you to join us at our next meeting, 3:45pm, Wednesday, February 28 to participate in the process.

Security at SJ School

I would like to share the safety measures we have in place at SJ and invite parents to volunteer as additional keepers of safety.

School Mass-Scott Hoffman, Jimmy McDonald, and Jeff Jenicke are at the doors of the church during all of our school Masses. Andrea Thorne is available to escort children to the office when they become ill or step in and help teachers.

School Lunch-Parents volunteer to check off names in the lunchroom. We have two staff members on duty during the lunch period. One staff member supervises the lunchroom and another staff or parent supervises the bathrooms.

Recess-Teachers are assigned recess duty: 10:00 (kind,1st, 2nd, 3rd), 10:30 (4th,5th), 12:20 (kind, 1st, 2nd, 3rd), 12:47 (middle school), 12:55 (4th, 5th).

Marathon Club-staff members and parents supervise the marathon route through South Park Mondays at 3:30 and Wednesdays at 7:30am(resuming March 26).

After School Care-Staff supervises After School Care play from 3:30-6:00pm.

I invite parents to volunteer to help supervise our students during any of the above listed times. Please email me and I will add your name to the schedule. **Please note that any volunteer with direct contact with students is required by the Archdiocese to complete the Virtus Safe Child course and undergo a yearly background check.**