

WEEKLY news & updates

March 21, 2021

ALL SCHOOL



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End of the Year Dates

We can now confirm that the final day of classes for the year will be Friday, June 18 for SFXP and JPII students. Additionally, Grade Eight Graduation will take place on Friday, June 11 and JPII Class of 2021 Commencement on Thursday, May 27. Details forthcoming.

Continuous Enrollment

Click here to review continuous enrollment contract details.

Travel Advisory

All individuals (ages 11 and up) who travel/return to Massachusetts from high-risk states must quarantine for 10 days or produce a negative COVID-19 test result that has been administered up to 72-hours prior to your arrival in Massachusetts. For a current list of lower risk states, check Mass.Gov. If not obtained before entry to Massachusetts, a test may be obtained after arrival. However, all such arriving travelers must immediately begin the 10-day quarantine until a negative test result has been received. Please send a copy of your test result to the school.

Individuals who have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 for at least 14 days are no longer required to quarantine or have a recent negative test upon arrival in MA.

School Store

The School Store will be open on Wednesday, March 24 and Thursday, March 25 from 3:00-3:30.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Solo Night and Art Show

It's time to get ready for another Virtual Solo Night & Art Show! We would love to have as many students as possible perform. Here is the **link** to last year's Virtual Solo Night & Art Show to learn more about the event. All Solo Night performance videos are due by April 16 via Google Classroom. If your SFXP student has artwork they would like to share in the virtual art show, please have them see their art teacher, Mrs. Mills.

SFXP Athletics

SFXP Intramural Basketball games begin Monday at 3:15 and 3:55. Please clickhere for the schedule. There are no spectators allowed during the games. Please email Mr. Russell (crussell@sfxp.org) with questions.

SFXP Track signups will be held during lunch this week. The first day of practice will be 3/22.

Participation in JPII Spring Sport

Students in Grades Seven and Eight are eligible to try out for JPII spring sports teams. JPII offers co-ed sailing, baseball, softball, boys and girls tennis, and boys and girls lacrosse. High school spring sports start April 26, except sailing, which will begin in early April.

JPII Spring Sports Registration

FamilyID is now open for spring registration. Click **here** to access FamilyID. If you intend to try out for a spring sport, you need to complete the registration.

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- All athletes are now required to complete an impact concussion test. The test will be administered during school hours.
- We added our Covid Guidelines to the Handbook.
- You must register again even if you registered for a fall or winter sport.

Lunch Ordering for April

Lunch ordering for the period of 4/5/21-4/30/21 is now open. To place your order, please log into Family Portal, select student on the left menubar, and then select Lunch. The deadline to place an order is Monday, March 29. Clickhere for instructions.

- ** Please order for the entire period. Additional orders will not be accepted after the deadline.
- ** You will not be prompted to pay when you place your order. You will be invoiced for your order, through the FACTS system, at the end of April. Payment may be made through your FACTS financial account. Please pay promptly.
- **Please note that April orders will not be processed until February lunch balances are paid in full. If you require assistance making a payment please contact Mrs. Keras, Business Manager, at mkeras@jp.dfrcs.org.

Class Basket Donations

Donations can be dropped off in the Main Office at SFXP. Thank you!

Financial Assistance for the 2021-2022 School Year

SFXP families wishing to be considered for financial assistance through the Foundation to Advance Catholic Education (FACE) must complete an annual application with FACTS

Grant & Aid Assessment. The application is now open. The deadline for submitting 2019 tax documents and 2020 W-2s has been extended. Priority will be given to those who submitted by the original March 5th deadline. If you do not have a 2020 W-2 income, you will be required to submit 2020 tax documents. If you own a business, additional tax documentation may be required.

Additionally, a limited number of scholarships are provided through the St. Francis Xavier Preparatory Scholarship Fund. To apply to the SFXP Scholarship Fund, in addition to completing the FACTS application, a letter requesting consideration along with a brief explanation of need should be sent to Mr. Keavy (ckeavy@jp.dfrcs.org) by April 15, 2021.

The online application can be found <u>here</u> or by logging into the Family Portal>Financial>Apply for Grant & Aid. Please contact Mrs. Margaret Keras, Business Manager, at 508-862-6336 or <u>mkeras@ip.dfrcs.org</u> for more information.

If you are new to completing the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment, please view this **video** on what to expect in the application process.

SFXP Yearbook

There is still time to purchase the SFXP Yearbook by entering our school passcode, 1014006133771584, on **treering.com**.

This Week

Thursday, March 25

Feast of the Annunciation Mass, 10:00 A.M. (grades 5 and 6) and 1:30 P.M. (grades 7 and 8)

Middle School Preview Night, 6:30 P.M. (admissions event)

Friday, March 26

JPII Find-Out More Friday, 9:00 A.M. (admissions event)

Looking Ahead

Holy Thursday Stations of the Cross, 2:00 P.M.

ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL

Student Council - MARCH MADNESS

Hey Lions! Do you like playing games? Hanging out with friends? Then come join Student Council for March Madness next **Friday, March 26 from 3:30-6:00 PM.** We will have gaming systems set up in classrooms, lawn games including cornhole in the hallways, and a few new surprises this year. Tickets will be sold during X-block all next week on a first-come-first serve basis. Tickets are \$5, which includes the price for admission and snacks and drinks. Come join the Madness! Social Distancing and Masks Required!

<u>Happy Hope Foundation - Service Project</u>

We have once again partnered with the Happy Hope Foundation to send sunshine and smiles to children in need of a boost of hope! Every \$1 donation delivers a special Happy Hope Toothbrush to a child. Bring in \$1.00 to the main office and you will receive a special card to color a child in a hospital or foster care. We will pack the toothbrushes and decorated pictures in a colorful package and brighten up a child's day. Please

consider participating in this wonderful service opportunity! To learn more about the Happy Hope Foundation, click **here**.

Host an International Student

Are you interested in hosting an International student? We are looking for families to host an International student for the 2021-2022 school year. Click **here** to learn more, or feel free to reach out to JPII Principal Mona Lisa Valentino.

Guidance Department

Guidance will continue to hold scheduling meetings for students and parents on Wednesday and Thursday. Registrations available through the Sign Up Genius sent to all families from Mr. Tanguay.

Mask Reminders

Please remember to remain vigilant about mask-wearing and social distancing--We are all tired of the masks and the restrictions of the COVID-era rules. We can see the light at the end of the tunnel, which leads many to feel a little less concerned about the social distancing rules. Please resist the temptation to ease up and instead continue to follow the rules. Stay vigilant and keep everyone healthy and in school.

Campus Ministry

Please **<u>submit</u>** any special intentions you have so that the school community may bring them before the Lord in prayer.

JPII Sports Teams and Performing Arts Baskets

You will not need to shop or send in a theme-based product. The parent coordinators are asking for <u>only cash donations</u> so one large product may be purchased. These items will be used for the online auction. Your support is greatly appreciated. Please click <u>here</u> for more information.

JPII Athletics

With the COVID-19 guidelines changing, the Cape & Islands League has decided to have individual schools determine their own attendance policies, provided they adhere to the current state guidelines.

JPII will allow home families (to include extended family) and students to attend volleyball games. Away fans will not be permitted at this time, due to spacing requirements. Students will be required to sign up ahead of time in order to be allowed to attend the volleyball games. Sign-up will be in the main office.

We will welcome all home and away fans for our football games. This is possible because games are held outside, and social distancing is more easily achieved. These policies are subject to change.

Away Team Policies

No team in our league is allowing away fans for volleyball games. As of now, Sandwich and Monomoy are allowing 2 spectators per student-athlete for football games.

Please stay up to date with the resources below:

There are many resources to get your latest JPII Athletics information.

- Athletic Parents please register with **remind.com** app (school code @JP2sports)
- You can follow us on Twitter or Instagram @JPII Athletics.

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Performing Arts News

Radio Players Premiere Thrilling Conclusion: On Friday, March 26 at 7:30 PM on Facebook Premiere, the JPII Radio Players will perform Part 2—the thrilling conclusion to: *Journey to the Center of the Earth* The JPII Radio Players have quickly gained local renown through their intrepidly insightful interpretations of thrilling dramatic content. As one fan commented, "I became a cable-cord-cutter, once I heard these kids....I am SO ENTERTAINED!" Check out the current collection here and tune in Friday night via our FB page.

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Donnelly's Uniform Company

Order your school uniform before June 15 and receive 20% off & free alterations. Click **here** for more information.

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