Blue & Gold Weekly News 2022-2023

March 26, 2023



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Link for 2023-2024 Uniform Updates

From the Health Office

During the past couple of weeks, there has been a rise in the number of COVID positives in our community. This is a reminder to stay vigilant, and please do COVID testing if symptomatic. A limited supply of free take-home Covid tests is available in the Health Office upon request. Students and staff can request two boxes per person which equal 4 tests. These tests are meant for home use only. No Covid tests will be done in school by the nurse due to state regulations. Should your student test positive, please follow the CDC recommendations for quarantining and returning to school. The CDC has an isolation calculator that is helpful to use to determine the earliest return to school date. Remember that though your student may be ready to return to school, masking is recommended until two negative tests are obtained 48 hours apart after the student's symptoms are improved. He/she is fever free and has not needed fever-reducing medications for 24 hours. To access the CDC calculator, please follow this link.

Starting mid-April, Cynthia Roche, Diocesan Adjustment Counselor, will conduct a health screening called SBIRT. SBIRT stands for Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment. SBIRT is used to screen for alcohol, nicotine, tobacco, and other drug use. This health screening is required by Massachusetts law.

Students in grades 7 and 10 will participate in this screening which takes about 5-10 minutes. Look for the parent information letter in your emails. If you prefer to opt out of this screening, please inform your school's nurse by April 10th. Thank you.

Laura Linnell, RN llinnell@jpiihyannis.org and Ellen Byrd MSN, RN ebyrd@jpiihyannis.org

Notice from the Town of Barnstable DPW

The DPW is scheduled to install new stop signs on South Street at the intersection of High School Road in Hyannis. In addition, DPW will convert the right-hand eastbound lane to right-turn-only traffic. The work is

anticipated to be performed during the week of March 27, subject to favorable weather.

This work will create an all-way stop at the intersection of South Street and High School Road. In addition, this will limit eastbound thru traffic to a single lane. The work will also involve adding advanced warning signs and pavement markings. These modifications are intended to improve traffic safety at this intersection.

Admissions Events & Shadowing

There are many opportunities for prospective students and families to learn about St. John Paul II School. Please share this link with friends and invite them to attend an event!

Financial Aid

Please direct financial aid application questions to Student Accounts Coordinator Margaret Keras at mkeras@JPIIHyannis.org or 508-862-6336 x400.

FACTS SIS Information Update for the 2023-2024 School Year

Parents/guardians are asked to update their student's information through the Family Portal for the 2023-2024 school year. Please complete this process at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions or issues, contact Margaret Keras, Student Accounts, at mkeras@JPIIHyannis.org or 508-862-6336 x 400.

Opportunities to Worship

All are welcome to attend Holy Mass in the Our Lady of Fatima Chapel (in the high school building) every Monday and Wednesday at 7:30 A.M. On Fridays, we pray the Rosary in the Chapel at 7:40 A.M.

School Store News

Regular hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and occasionally on Fridays, from 3:00-3:45 P.M. Volunteers are needed! Please click here to volunteer.

Time to purchase your tickets for the annual Blue & Gold Gala Saturday, May 6, at Oyster Harbors Club!

Not sure what to wear? Click here for Kentucky Derby Fashion!





Class Raffle Baskets for the Blue & Gold Gala

We are looking forward to the Class Raffle Baskets! Tickets will be sold the week before the Blue & Gold Gala and at the Gala! Please don't hesitate to contact your basket coordinator for any questions. Your donation, large or small, makes a difference!

Grade 8- Gift Card Mania Parent Coordinator: Dianne Ellis ellisfamily02532@gmail.com Grade 7- Beach Day Parent Coordinator: Diana McDermott, dianaesq2010@gmail.com Grade 6- Sports Mania Parent Coordinator: Hillary Portell, hill.portell@gmail.com Grade 5- Cape Cod Day Parent Coordinator: Wendy Maynard, am1653@gmail.com

Reminders

Absent Notes

When a student returns to school after an absence, a note written and signed by a parent must be given to the homeroom teacher.

Traffic Pattern

Please follow the requested direction of travel for the safety of students and teachers.

School Uniform

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School Uniform Pant

Starting in the fall of 2023, the uniform pants for students grades 5 through 12 will be Tommy Hilfiger uniform khaki pants. Grades 5 - 8 boys will wear khaki pants for everyday wear and field trips. Donnelly's khaki pants will be grandfathered in as we phase into using Tommy Hilfiger uniform khaki pants exclusively.

Donnelly's School Uniform Plaid Kilt/Skort

As the new plaid is phased in, students may continue to wear the old plaid. Grades 5-8 will continue with the kilt style, and Grades 9 through 12 will have an A-line skort.

Tommy Hilfiger Uniforms website: https://www.globalschoolwear.com/ School Code (STJO48) 15% off your order with promo code: **MAR2315WHU**

Donnelly's Uniform Flyer - with promo information.

Walk for Hope

There are two Christian service opportunities through Housing Assistance Corporation in May:

The first opportunity is for a group of individuals who would sponsor a water stop for those walking for Housing Assistance Corporation's 5th Annual Walk for Hope on Sunday, May 21. Please contact Deanna Bussiere, Event and Resource Development Coordinator, at dbussiere@haconcapecod.org or 508-771-5400, ext. 270, for details.

The second opportunity is for individuals or groups who would like to participate in this year's walk. Funding raised during this year's Walk for Hope provides critical funding for Housing Assistance programs and services and gives hope to our neighbors struggling with housing instability and homelessness.

CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER

Lunch Ordering for 4/3/23 - 4/28/23

Lunch ordering for the period of 4/3/23-4/28/23 is now open. To place your order: Log into Family Portal Select Student on the left menu bar Select Lunch Navigate to the menu month to view the menu for this period. The deadline to place an order is **Monday, March 27, at 4:00 P.M.**

Click here for instructions.

High School Athletics

All athletes must register with FamilyID. to participate in spring sports. Click here to register.

Athletic Optional User Fee donations can be made through our secure online giving platform. All-size donations make an impact. Click here to donate. These funds are necessary to offset the cost of uniforms, equipment, team travel expenses, facility maintenance and rentals, and other related costs.

Link for Intramural Sports Information

National Junior Honor Society

NJHS is sponsoring a food drive to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society from March 27 to April 6. Thank you for your anticipated generosity.

Solo Night

Solo Night will be on Friday, March 31, at 6:30 P.M. in the gym. This is a casual, coffee-house-style event; all students are invited to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Loewen at kloewen@jpiihyannis.org or Ms. Uguccioni atluguccioni@jpiihyannis.org.

Lunch Volunteers Needed!

Please sign-up here.

8th Grade Baby Photos, Custom Pages & Ads

At this time, you may optionally add a baby photo of your 8th grader for the "remember when" segment of the yearbook. Full instructions can be found here. A Treering account must be created for purchasing a yearbook, uploading a baby photo, or creating ads and custom pages. Get started here. Please note that the detail for this is April 6. Email Mrs. Fish with any questions (photos@jpiihyannis.org).

Order a Yearbook before April 6

Click here to purchase the Grade 5-8 yearbook. Would you like to add a personal ad? Details for purchasing ads can be found here. The deadline for purchasing a yearbook is APRIL 6. Please contact the yearbook coordinator, Mrs. Fish, with questions at photos@JPIIHyannis.org.

THIS WEEK

Monday, March 27 No study hall Wednesday, March 29 Cultural Enrichment, 10:00 A.M. Friday, March 31 Solo Night, 6:30 P.M.

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, April 3 Assembly, 9:05 Washington, D.C. Parent Meeting, 6:30 P.M. Tuesday, April 4 No study hall HSA, 6:30 P.M. Friday, April 7 Good Friday, No School



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Grades 9 through 12 additional items:

Short Sleeve Polo Shirt (Warm Weather Option)

Students in grades 9 through 12 may wear the Hilfiger uniform shortsleeved polo shirt with the school logo between August to Columbus Day and after April vacation through the end of the year.

• Quarter-Zip Pullover

A quarter zip pullover with the school logo (purchased exclusively from the school store) is an optional item that students in grades 9 through 12 may wear over their uniform shirts.

• Sweater

Students in grades 9 through 12 may select uniform sweaters from Donnelly's or Tommy Hilfiger Uniform.

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Sports Baskets & Performing Arts "Baskets" for the Blue & Gold Gala

JPII Sports Teams and Performing Arts Baskets will be featured in the 2023 Blue & Gold Gala and Online Auction. No donation is too small, and we hope each family participates.

Donations will be used to purchase an exciting item/package. Clickhere to donate.

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Junior/Senior Prom

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, May 5, PROM 2023 6:30 (family photos), 7:00-10:30 Dinner and Dancing The theme is *A Night Under the Stars*. Our venue is the spectacular New Seabury Country Club in Mashpee. The evening will include a sit-down dinner, a signature beverage, dessert, and of course, lots and lots of dancing. Tickets are \$80 per person. Be on the lookout for your invitation. It will be an evening to remember!

Concert Choir

The Concert Choir has been invited to sing for Stations of the Cross by Monsignor Steve Avila on Wednesday, March 29 at 5:00 P.M. (Stations will begin at 5:30). Parents and family are invited, and dinner with treats will be served for the choir immediately following. For easy access to the important dates for the Concert Choir through the end of the year, just click here.

Lenten Food Drive

Sophomore Nora Bruinooge is an active volunteer at the Yarmouth Food Pantry. A recent increase of those in need at the pantry has occurred due to decreased COVID-10 related public assistance. The Yarmouth Food Pantry needs help stocking its shelves. With Morgan Batchelder's help, Nora is organizing a Lenten Food Drive to give back to those in need during this time. During March, they will be accepting donations of non-perishable, non-expired goods. There will be a donation collection box outside Campus Ministry.

<u>Yearbooks</u>

Yearbooks for the High School Division are available to order. Please click here to order your Yearbook. Seniors do not need to order a Yearbook.

Lunch Volunteers Needed!

Please click here to volunteer.

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