

January 21, 2024



St. John
Paul II School
ALL SCHOOL NEWS

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Family Portal Resources

You will find many helpful resources in the parent portal: Blue & Gold Weekly News, Resource Documents, Morning Announcements from the high school, School Directory, Breakfast/Lunch Program, and much more! If you still need to set up a Family Portal account, instructions are on the [website](#) and are available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). [Click here](#) to access the Family Portal.

School Breakfast and Lunch Program

The breakfast and lunch program begins tomorrow! The success and availability of the program relies on our families' participation. We encourage all families to take advantage of this opportunity. You will find the program introduction letter emailed to all families [here](#).

If you would like to request a meal accommodation, please [click here](#) for the form. Please return to the appropriate grade-level nurse as soon as possible.

Notes for Grades 5-8:

- Breakfast has been extended to end at 7:45 A.M. to allow more time for bus riders to eat breakfast.
- Daily lunch options include a hot item, a sandwich of the week, and a salad of the week.
- For you and your child to plan ahead, a summary of the daily menu can be found on the Lunch tab on the Family Portal. Specific nutrition and allergen information can be found on [Barnstable Food Services Website](#).
- Please encourage your child to order breakfast and lunch during homeroom.

Notes for Grades 9-12:

- If your high school student did not receive their Meal ID card, please have them pick up their card on Monday morning at the main office. Students will need to give their ID number upon exiting the cafe line at breakfast and lunch.

Mass Information

Mass: Monday, at 7:30 A.M. in the Chapel.

Mass: Wednesday, at 7:30 A.M. in the Chapel.

Morning Prayer: Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Chapel.
Rosary: Every Friday morning, 7:30 A.M. in the Chapel.
Confessions: Tuesday after school in the Chapel.

Financial Assistance for the 2023/2024 School Year

The online application for financial assistance for the 2024-2025 school year is open. To be considered for financial assistance, you must complete an application each year with FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact Mrs. Keras, Student Accounts Coordinator, at mkeras@JPiiHyannis.org. Please click [here](#) for information for students entering Grades 5-8. Please click [here](#) for information for students entering Grades 9-12

Coffee & Conversation, Friday, January 26, 8:15 in the Academic Resource Center

Parents and guardians are invited to join Head of School, Mr. Phillip VanDenBrink, Assistant Heads of School, Ms. Mona Lisa Valentino (grades 9-12) and Ms. Paula Daly (grades 5-8), Academic Dean, Dr. A. J. Ballou, Athletic Director, Mr. Mike Young, and Advancement/Admissions Director, Mrs. Jenn Canzano, for a coffee and conversation session. We look forward to having you join us for this event!

Catholic Schools Week - Volunteers Needed!

National Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 28. Across the nation, students in Catholic schools are asked to attend Mass in their school uniforms with their families. The admissions office is looking for families to distribute information after Mass on Saturday and Sunday. Please click [here](#) to volunteer.

Catholic Schools Week Volunteer Thank YOU!

In recognition of your time, dedication, and support, we are hosting a reception in honor of our volunteers. All volunteers are invited. February 2, 8:15 in the Academic Resource Center. Please use this [link](#) to RSVP.

School Store

This week, the school store will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 2:45 - 3:30 P.M. Volunteers are needed! Please use the link [here](#) to learn more and sign up. Please contact Amy Kowal at schoolstore@jpiihyannis.org.

Cape Cod's St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 9

Grab your teammates; walk together in a parade! We are collecting the names of those interested in participating in the parade. Click [here](#) or contact Larry McGrath at Larrymcgrath6@gmail.com for more information.

Share Your Photos!

Please email pictures of JPii events, sports, and happenings to photos@jpiihyannis.org.

**Christian Service and Local Outreach
Opportunities**

**JPii Spirit
Events**



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Catholic Schools Week - [Schedule](#)

Kick off Catholic Schools Week by wearing your JPPII uniform to Mass on Saturday or Sunday, January 27/28, and show your school pride. Share a photo for a chance to win Dunkin Donuts gift cards. Photos should be sent to photos@JPPIIHyannis.org

Newspaper/Photography Club,

The Newspaper/Photography Club will meet after school on Tuesdays beginning January 23. Any interested students should see Ms. Daly to sign up.

[JPPII Parents Facebook](#)

THIS WEEK

Monday, January 22

Start of term 3

Seventh Grade Retreat

AMC 8 Math Challenge

MAP Testing January 23-25

Friday, January 26

Coffee & Conversation with School Leadership, 8:15

A.M., Academic Resource Center

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, January 29- February 2 - Catholic Schools Week



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Guidance Session for Junior Parents

On Wednesday, January 24, at 7:00 PM, the Guidance Department will host a presentation on standardized testing for junior parents/guardians. This event is virtual.

Topics will include:

1. A comparison between the PSATs and the SATs
2. A look at college admissions testing: the SATs and the ACTs

3. Testing dates, registration deadlines, and test sites for spring and test administrations

4. Understanding a "test-optional policy" and the colleges that use it

Monday, January 29- February 2 - Catholic Schools Week

JPII joins Catholic Schools across the country celebrating Catholic Schools. Click [here](#) for details and activities

Catholic Schools Week Community Fundraiser

The National Honor Society has chosen Schools on Wheels for our Catholic Schools Week school-wide service. NHS will be hosting a drive to collect the supplies for filling backpacks. Please see the wish lists [here](#).

Permission Slips

All students received permission slips for participation in our Catholic Schools Week Mass at St. Pius X Church. Please return those to your theology teacher as soon as possible.

JPII Science and Engineering Fair: Save the Date- February 6th, 5-6:30 P.M.

All are welcome to attend!

Catholic Schools Week Teacher Appreciation

Please see below and contact Amy Kowal at 603-667-5958 with any questions.

We would like to show the JPII High School teachers and staff how much we appreciate all they do for our children on a daily basis! We will have a Trail Mix Bar all week for the teachers to create their own mix. For details and sign-up, click [here](#).

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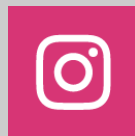
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