Blue & Gold Weekly News 2023-2024

April 21, 2024



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Blue & Gold GalaKentucky Derby Party! May 4, 5:30 P.M. Oyster Harbors Club in Osterville Join MC and school Chaplain Fr. Christopher Hughes '13 for a fun-filled celebration that supports JPII students, faculty and staff. Purchase your tickets <u>here</u>.

Reminder: Friday, April 26, is a half-day for students. Dismissal is at 11:24 A.M. There

will not be Barnstable or CCRTA buses at dismissal. The Over the Bridge Bus will pick up at 11:40 A.M. Approximate drop off times: Market Basket: 12:10 P.M. St. Margaret's: 12:25 P.M. Panera/Plymouth: 12:50 P.M

Mass Schedule and Prayer

Mass: Mondays and Wednesdays, at 7:30 A.M. in the Chapel. Morning Prayer: Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Chapel. Confessions: Tuesday after school in the Chapel. Rosary: Friday in the Chapel.

STEM Journey

On Thursday, April 25, 2024, we will have two assemblies as part of a "Chemists Celebrate Earth Week" activity organized by Jennifer Maclachlan, parent of Hannah Maclachlan '25, and made possible by funding from PID Analyzers, LLC and the Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society (NESACS). Grades 5-8 will attend The Magic of Chemistry Show featuring Dr. Al Hazari, a retired Professor of Chemistry from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

Grades 9-12 will attend a lecture by Dr. Luke Roberson, Senior Principal Investigator for

Flight Research at NASA FL Kennedy Space Center, who will share his 'STEM Journey' as well as some of his current research which focuses on human missions to establish surface habitats on the Moon and Mars!

For parents and caregivers who are interested in the NASA lecture, there is a public science cafe event occurring on the evening of Thursday, April 25 at the Wequaquet Lake Yacht Club in Centerville from 5pm-8pm with keynote lecturer, Dr. Luke Roberson. Should you wish to attend the STEM Journey Science Cafe event, please register here:<u>bit.ly/STEMJourney2024</u>

From the Health Office

It is time for our annual Health Screenings. From the weeks following April vacation until the end of the school year, our School Nurses will conduct various health screens as required by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. If screening results indicate the need for follow-up care by a physician, parents/guardians will be notified.

The schedule of the screenings at St. John Paul II School is as follows:

Grades 5-8: Postural (Scoliosis)

6th Grade: Vision and Hearing

9th Grade: Vision, Hearing, and Postural (Scoliosis)

10th Grade: Body Mass Index (BMI) and SBIRT screening ---SBIRT stands for Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment. SBIRT is used to screen for alcohol, nicotine, tobacco, and other drug use. SBIRT screening will be done using the CRAFFT screening tool (for more information, contact Ellen Byrd at ebyrd@jpiihyannis.org). This health screening is required by Massachusetts law.

As with all health screenings, you or your child may opt-out. If you would like to opt out of one or more of these screenings, please email or call the school nurse no later than April 19th. Laura Linnell at llinnell@jpiihyannis.org (Grades 5-8) or Ellen Byrd, MSN, RN at ebyrd@jpiihyannis.org (Grades 9-12)

FACTS SIS Information Update for the 2024-2025 School Year

Parents/guardians are asked to update their student's information through the Family Portal for the 2024-2025 school year. Please see the instructions below and 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. Access FACTS Family Online Portal:

Go to sipfx-ma.client.renweb.com/pwr/?SchoolCode=SJPFX-MA

- Type in your username and password. If you have forgotten your username or password, please click on the reset link provided.
- After logging in, click on Apply/Enroll in the left menu.
- Click on the Enrollment/Reenrollment link.

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

School Store: Used Uniform donations

If you have JPII uniform items that are in good, clean (non-stained or ripped) condition that you no longer need, please drop them off for the school store (located in the high school). As we approach the end of the school year, many students outgrow their items and need something to get them through the end of the year. Thank you in advance.

School Store Hours

This week the store will be open Tuesday and Thursday 2:45-3:30.

Share Your Photos!

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

JPII Spirit Events

Athletic Schedule



Lunch Volunteer Opportunity

The Middle School seeks volunteers to assist with lunch distribution from 11:00 AM -12:00 PM daily. Whether you can spare just one day a week or more, your time is appreciated. All volunteers are required to be CORI cleared. Join us by signing up to volunteer using the link here. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D48A4AB23A6F58-48395882-lunch

Grades 5-8 Yearbook

Please purchase a yearbook for your child(ren) and design your two free custom pages before it's too late. Click here to purchase. Once a yearbook is purchased, the website will walk you through how to customize your free pages, and/or purchase ads to appear in ALL yearbook. Questions? Please email photos@jpiihyannis.org. All yearbook orders must be made by May 1.

JPII Parents Facebook

THIS WEEK

Thursday, April 25 7:00 AM-3:30 PM Grade 6 field trip to The Harvard Museum of Natural History Grade 8 Trip to Washington D.C. 4:30 AM Arrival at schoolThursday, April 25 NASA Presentation Friday, April 26 Early dismissal students 11:24 A.M.

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, April 29 Grade 8 returns from Washington D. C. Wednesday, May 1 7:00 AM-4:00 PM Grade 5 Field Trip NE Aquarium Thursday, May 2 7:00 AM - 4:30 PM Grade 7 Field Trip Museum of Science Friday, May 3 6:45 PM Student Council Movie Night



Warm Weather Uniform Option

Students may wear the Hilfiger uniform short-sleeved polo shirt with school logo when they return from April vacation. Male students must have the polo tucked in with a belt.

Sharing Kindness Suicide Prevention Walk

On May 18th, at 10:00 AM, Julia Dunton will lead a group of students from JPII along with any family members wanting to join on a walk at Veterans Park Beach to raise awarness for Suicide Prevention. This will be counted as a service opportunity for all grades. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join! For those who register, please meet Julia at Veterans Park in Hyannis at 9:30. Register here to walk. Click here To donate.

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Tuesday, April 23 Dangers of Vaping Presentation - Grades 9-12 Thursday, April 25 NASA Presentation Friday, April 26 Early dismissal students 11:24

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Wednesday, May 1 Grade 9 team building trip to Stonehill - permission slips due this week Grade 11-12 - Drunk Driving Presentation Friday, May 3 Clash of the Classes



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