Blue & Gold Weekly News 2024-2025

# September 1, 2024





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#### **Happy Labor Day!**

No School on Monday, September 2.

#### **Enrollment is Still Open for the Fall**

The 2024-2025 school year is off to a great start at JPII, with over 400 students enrolled and excited for the year ahead. If you know anyone interested in joining JPII's vibrant school community, please encourage them to reach out anytime to Admissions Director, Michael Wahle at <a href="mailto:mwahle@jphyannis.org">mwahle@jphyannis.org</a> to discuss enrollment.

## Join us In Worship. All are Welcome

Opening Mass will be held on Wednesday at 10:00 A.M. at St. Francis Xavier Church. All parents, grandparents and friends are invited to join with the student body as we worship together to begin the school year.

#### **From the Health Office**

A friendly reminder that any student needing medications during the school day or rescue or emergency medication, will need to update physician's orders for the school year. All physician's orders must be rewritten for <u>each</u> school year. Asthma Action Plans and Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Plans also require yearly updates by your physician. Please send updated copies of orders and action plans to the Health office as soon as possible.

All prescription medications should be brought to the Health office and must be in the

original container with the printed pharmacy labels. This includes EpiPens, Insulin and Glucagon orders, inhalers and all prescriptions.

For questions related to Grades 5-8, please reach out to Jennifer Kupfer RN <u>prepschoolnurse@jpiihyannis.org</u> or for Grades 9-12, Ellen Byrd RN: <u>ebyrd@jpiihyannis.org</u>

#### **School Store Volunteers Needed**

The school store is looking for volunteers for the 2024-2025 school year. We are looking for individuals to volunteer one afternoon a week from 2:30-3:30 P.M. Parents from any grade level are welcome to volunteer. If interested in helping out in the school store please contact Amy Kowal at schoolstore@jpiihyannis.org.

#### **Breakfast and Lunch Available to All Students**

St. John Paul II School offers a free breakfast and lunch program through the Abbey Group and Barnstable Public Schools. Students enrolled at St. John Paul II School are entitled to one free breakfast and one free lunch each full school day.

More information can be found in the <u>Family Portal</u> and the monthly menu is on the Barnstable Public Schools Food Services website <u>here</u>.

#### IMPORTANT BUS TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Cape Cod RTA Buses:

RTA bus service begins on Tuesday, September 3.

Please note that the location of the stop at Mashpee Commons has moved to Baer's Pet Center. There is plenty of parking for pick-up/drop-off behind Baer's. Please contact the RTA at 800-352-7155 or <a href="www.capecodrta.org">www.capecodrta.org</a> for more information regarding passes and schedule.

## Fall Athletic Calendar

#### **School Store Hours This Week:**

2:30-3:30 Tues. Sept. 3 Wed. Sept. 4 Fri. Sept. 6

#### **School Store Hours Looking Ahead:**

<u>2:30-3:30</u> Fri. Sept. 13



#### Aftercare and Study Hall-Help Needed

Please note that Aftercare and Study Hall will begin on Monday, September 9. There will be no Study Hall on Tuesday, September 10.

Help is needed on Mondays and Tuesdays from 3:00-5;30. If interested, please contact Ms. Daly via email.

## **Lunch Volunteers Needed**

Do you have an hour to come in and help with lunches in the Preparatory building? We could use volunteers to assist with the lunch program. If you are available to volunteer, please sign up HERE. It can be once a week, once a month, whatever works! It's a great chance to get to know other students and become a part of the community.

#### **Uniforms**

Remember, students should be in uniform, including the school sweater. If the uniform company has not been able to fill your order, please do not worry. New families are reminded to order field trips and gym uniforms. Some grades will attend field trips in September. Please do not hesitate to contact the school Office Manager, Mrs. Siscoe, at <a href="dsiscoe@jpiihyannis.org">dsiscoe@jpiihyannis.org</a> or the Assistant Head of School, Ms. Daly, at <a href="pdaly@jpiihyannis.org">pdaly@jpiihyannis.org</a> with any questions.

#### **Christian Service for Grades 5-8**

Many local groups and organizations benefit from the thousands of hours of Christian service performed by JPII students. Follow this link for the paperwork needed to record Christian Service hours and to view the requirements.

## Take Part in the School Experience

Help our teachers by acting as a substitute! Grades 5-8 is looking for substitute teachers that are available on an as needed basis. For more information, please reach out to Ms. Daly.

## **Registration for Private Musical Instrument Instruction**

Information was sent home this past week regarding private lessons offered during the school day for piano, flute and strings. Please click here to register your child for lessons.

Questions? Please contact Ms. Laurie Uguccioni at <a href="luguccioni@jpiihyannis.org">luguccioni@jpiihyannis.org</a> for flute and piano or Ms. Bonnie Harlow at <a href="bharlow@jpiihyannis.org">bharlow@jpiihyannis.org</a> for strings.

#### **This Week:**

Sept. 2: No School

Sept. 4: 10:00 A.M. Opening School Liturgy

Sept. 6: Summer Reading Tests

## **Looking Ahead:**

Sept. 10: No Study hall 6:30 P.M. HSA Meeting

Sept. 12: All School Photos

Sept. 13: 7-9:00 P.M. 5th Gr. Games Night 8th Gr. Class Officer Elections



#### Opening Mass on Wednesday, September 4

Opening Mass will be held on Wednesday at 10:00 A.M. at St. Francis Xavier

Church. All parents, grandparents and friends are invited to join with the student body as we worship together to begin the school year.

This is a liturgy dress day, meaning that students are asked to be in their sweaters. Button-down uniform shirts and ties (for men) are required.

#### **Student Council Elections:**

Calling any and all students who are interested in taking a leadership role in the extracurricular events that make JPII a uniquely fun school! If that interests you, please consider running for office for Student Council! Each class will have three open positions: President, Vice President, and Communications/Publicity Officer. Applications can be found on the class Google Classroom page and will close on Wednesday, September 4. Please reach out to Miss McPherson or Mr. Rohrer with any questions.

## **Strings Program**

Any student interested in participating in a Strings Program should contact Ms. Valentino.

#### **Senior Picture Information**

Prestige Photography by Lifetouch is offering a senior portrait session on September 5 outside at the high school. Should you choose this option, please register for the session through Lifetouch. More information and pricing can be found HERE.

#### **Senior Retreats**

Seniors will have their annual senior retreats on September 10 and 12. Please look for a permission slip coming soon.

## **Uniform Information**

The optional quarter-zip pullover with the school logo is not a Tommy Hilfiger item. It may be purchased at the school store or ordered online <a href="here">here</a>

#### **Announcing Our Fall Musical Production**

We are excited to announce our Fall Musical scheduled for November 22 and 23 will be Godspell. Audition dates are September 9 and 10 with call backs (if needed) on the 11th. Additional info will follow next week. Any students who have questions, should see Mrs. Lessard in room 313.

#### This Week:

Sept. 2: No School

<u>Sept. 4:</u> 10:00 A.M. Opening School Liturgy Student Council Applications Close

Sept. 5: On-Campus Senior Photos

Sept. 6: Student Council Elections

#### **Looking Ahead:**

<u>Sept. 9:</u> Fall Musical Auditions

Sept. 10: Fall Musical Auditions Senior Retreats

Sept. 11: Fall Musical Call Backs (if needed)

Sept. 12: Senior Retreats

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