

December 15, 2024



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Paul II School
ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Important Bus Transportation Information

There will be no Barnstable or RTA buses for early dismissal on Friday, December 20th. The Over the Bridge Bus will pick up at 11:40.

Approximate drop-off times are:

Market Basket: 12:10

St. Margaret's: 12:25

Panera Plymouth: 12:50

Toys for Tots: Thank you to our students and families

This year's Toys for Tots campaign was tremendously successful. We had an incredible amount of participation and the school community was able to donate over 600 toys and 370 canned goods. Congratulations to the NHS and the NJHS for their hard work and thank you to the schoolwide community for your support and participation!

Christmas Break:

Students will be off December 23 through January 5. Classes resume on January 6. The next weekly email will be sent on January 5, 2025.

Blue & Gold Annual Fund

A year-end gift to the Blue & Gold Annual Fund supports the success of our students. Its impact lasts a lifetime! You can find more information about the Blue & Gold Annual Fund [here](http://www.jpIIHyannis.org/GIVE). Visit www.jpIIHyannis.org/GIVE to donate. Every gift, no matter the size, makes a difference! Thank you in advance.

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious: Spring Performing Arts

Coming off a fantastic performance of Godspell, auditions for our spring musical, Mary Poppins, will be held Monday, December 16 and Wednesday, December 18 after school until 5:00 P.M.

Show dates will be April 11 and 12 with a total of three shows: a matinee on Saturday and two evening performances-one Friday, one Saturday.

All are welcome to audition. Rehearsal schedules will vary based on roles and other school commitments (sports, etc.) For more information on our auditions, please click [HERE](#).

Bishop's Day Off has been scheduled!

On Grandparents and Special Friends Day, Bishop da Cunha graciously awarded our students a day off. For planning purposes, Monday, March 17, 2025 has been designated as "The Bishop's Day Off!" Many thanks to Bishop da Cunha for this gift!

Financial Assistance for the 2025-2026 School Year

The online application for financial assistance for the 2025-2026 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.

Join us In Worship. All are Welcome

Mass is always open to friends and family. Please join us:

Monday and Wednesday at 7:30 AM - Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday at 2:30 P.M.

MORNING PRAYER: Tuesday & Thursday at 7:30 AM in Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

ROSARY: Friday at 7:30 AM in Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

Game of the Week: Men's Basketball Dec. 19

Back again for the winter season, if you go to any game next week, make it Men's Basketball vs. Norfolk County Agricultural School on Dec. 19 at 6:30. We will continue designating a game each week of the season. Let's support our winter athletes with a strong showing!

Looking for something to do over vacation? Come cheer on JPII at sporting events during the break! Keep your eyes on JPII Athletics on Facebook and Instagram for updates on times and locations.

School Store:

If you are shopping for Christmas and would like to visit the store during school hours, please schedule an appointment by email: akowal@jpiihyannis.org.

The school store will also be open on Monday, December 16 from 4:00-6:00 P.M. so you can check those gifts off your Christmas list!

Blue & Gold Annual Fund Match \$50,000

\$31,918 Total Raised

63.8%

**Click to
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Athletic Calendar

School Store Hours This Week:

Mon. Dec. 16: 4:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M.

Thurs Dec. 19: 2:30-3:30

School Store Hours Looking Ahead:

Hours for week of Jan 6-10 will be sent Jan. 5



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Printable Calendars for December

December Calendars with upcoming dates and important information:

[December Breakfast and Lunch Calendars](#)

[December Clubs & Activities Calendar](#)

Winter is here!

The cold weather has arrived. Weather permitting, recess will remain outside. Please

remember to send your students to school with warm jackets, hats and mittens.

Friday is Lessons and Carols at 10:30 A.M.

Families are invited to attend this annual tradition. Students should wear their holiday best. Please do not wear sneakers, jeans, sweatpants, or sweatshirts. Students may wear their uniform if they prefer.

Lion For A Day!

Do you know someone interested in JPII? Invite them to spend a day with us and visit classes, meet students and teachers, walk the halls, and experience a "real" school day at JPII! Preparatory Division grade 8 students are welcome to visit the high school for a day or half-day. Come meet future schoolmates and teachers while getting a feel for 9th grade.

Please contact Admissions Director Michael Wahle at mwahle@jpiihyannis.org to schedule a visit day.

Service Opportunity at the Veteran's Outreach Program of Cape Cod

A new service opportunity is available at the Veteran's Outreach Program of Cape Cod (247 Stevens St; Hyannis) that will take place on Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00. Please contact Angie Baron if you are interested. jakobella@gmail.com

Lunch Volunteers Still Needed

We could still use volunteers to assist with the lunch program. Please sign up [HERE](#). It can be once a week, once a month, whatever works!

This Week:

Mon Dec. 16:

1:00-2:45: Advent Reconciliation
3:00-5:00 Mary Poppins Auditions

Tues. Dec. 17:

5:45-6:00 P.M. Student Arrival for Festival of Arts
6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M. Festival of the Arts
No After School Activities

Wed. Dec 18:

Christmas Sweater Day
3:00 P.M. Lego Club
3:00-5:00 Mary Poppins Auditions

Thurs Dec. 19:

Dress Down Day

Fri. Dec 20:

10:30 A.M: Lessons and Carols
Families are invited to attend
11:24 A.M: Dismissal
No Barnstable Buses

Looking Ahead:

Mon. Dec 23 - Sun. Jan 5:

Merry Christmas!

Mon Jan. 6:

Classes resume



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High School Hours During Christmas Break

The high school office will be open between the hours of 9:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M. on the

following days during Christmas break:

Monday, December 23

Thursday, December 26

Friday, December 27

Friday, January 3

Youth Street Reach

For the past 10 years, JP II students have been providing breakfast to the homeless in Hyannis through our partnership with Youth Street Reach. This year's breakfast is December 19 - please consider donating new men's and women's underwear, gently used sweatshirts or local food gift cards. Drop off by the main office.

Yearbook Ad Deadline is 12/20

The deadline to purchase ads in the yearbook is quickly approaching. If you are interested in purchasing an ad, please follow the instructions at this link:

<https://yearbookforever.com/school-store/n97IxO8GHAe8CojyE11CTFyx/ad/personal-ad>

Junior Service:

Junior, Cody Boghdan is working with the Yarmouth Police Department on a Secret Santa for Seniors. The goal is to ensure every senior feels loved and remembered. For many, the holidays can feel isolating, and we hope these thoughtful gifts bring warmth and joy.

We are accepting gift card donations (suggested retailers: Stop & Shop, Shaws, CVS, Walgreens, and local restaurants). Donations will help the JP II and Yarmouth Police Department "elves" create beautiful gift bags for our seniors. Every contribution—big or small—makes a difference! Gift cards can be dropped off at JP II, care of Cody Boghdan.

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Do you know someone interested in JP II? Invite them to spend a day with us and visit classes, meet students and teachers, walk the halls, and experience a "real" school day! A visit makes a HUGE difference in the decision process. All are welcome to come and see if our school is the right fit.

Please contact Admissions Director Michael Wahle at mwahle@jpiihyannis.org to schedule a visit day.

This Week:

Mon. Dec 17:

3:00-5:00 Mary Poppins Auditions

Wed. Dec 18:

3:00 P.M. Engineering Club

3:00-5:00 Mary Poppins Auditions

Thurs Dec. 19:

12:30-3:00: Social Justice Fair

Fri. Dec 20:

11:24 A.M.: Dismissal

No Barnstable Buses

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Merry Christmas!

Mon Jan 6:

Classes Resume

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