

WEEKLY news & updates

October 29, 2020

ALL SCHOOL



Trivia Night, November 13, 7:00 P.M.

Calling all trivia buffs! Put together a team of up to 6 people to play trivia with our JPII & SFXP community. Because it's virtual, team members do not have to be in the same location to play. Think about the possibilities - organize your smartest friends and family members from various locations to play on your team! Click **here** to learn more.

SFXP & JPII Admissions

Please continue to share your family's experience with friends and invite them to learn more about our school. Admission events have a different look this fall, but they are still happening! Direct friends to our website to register for Find-Out More Virtual Fridays and Virtual Preview Nights or to call or email Admissions Director, Jenn Canzano, jcanzano@jp.dfrcs.org/508-862-6336 x104.

School Store Updated Hours

The school store will only be open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:00 - 3:30 P.M. If you need to get into the store any other day after school, please email Mrs. Fox at sfox@jp.dfrcs.org or call the JPII Office and Mrs. Fox will make arrangements to open the store.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Attendance

This is a reminder that parents must call the school at (508) 771-7200 or email Mrs. Offiler at moffiler@sfxp.org before 8:05 A.M. to report a student absence. A parent or guardian must also call or email when a student is switching from in-person learning to remote learning for the day.

SFXP Athletics

"Thank you" from the Athletic Department to the parents for being flexible with driving their child to soccer practices.

Kindness Club

Mrs. Hatton is starting the 'Kindness Club' again this year. Students should email her or see her for the Google Classroom code, where ideas and dates for after school meetings will be posted.

Study Skills Class for New Grade Six and Seven Students

Mrs. Anthony. Mrs. Battles, Mrs. Carr, and Miss Griswold will be offering a Study Skills class for Grade 6 students who are new to the school this year. Students who wish to participate have the option of attending on Monday, October 26, or Thursday, October 29, from 3:00 - 4:00 P.M. Mrs. Downs will be offering the class to students in Grade 7 on Monday from 3:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Chess Club

Mr. Keavy will be offering Chess Club on Thursdays from 3:15 - 4:15 in Monsignor Thomson Hall, October 29 through December 17. There is a maximum of 24 participants, so please sign the sign-up sheet outside Mrs. Kelley's office. Beginners welcome!

Lunch Program

Lunch ordering for the period of 11/2/20-12/4/20 is open. To place your order, please log into Family Portal, click on Student on the left toolbar and then select Lunch.

Click here for step by step instructions. The deadline to place an order is today, Sunday, 10/25/20, at midnight.

Important note and change to payment process:

Please order for the entire period of 11/2/20-12/4/20. Additional orders will not be received after the 10/25/20 deadline.

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If you have any questions, please contact Margaret Keras, Business Manager, at mkeras@jp.dfrcs.org.

Box of Joy

This month, SFXP students will join JPII's Box of Joy ministry, a Christmas gift outreach. By packing Boxes of Joy with toys and other gifts, our students will bless children suffering from extreme poverty by sharing the joy of Christmas and planting seeds of hope through the Gospel. This giving event will be driven by seniors Juliana Maurice, Kylie Hyde, Mary Kate Moran, Aaron James, and Ryan Downey. We encourage every SFXP student and family member to consider making a small donation. The boxes are the size of a shoebox and can be filled with crayons, small puzzles, small dolls or trucks, socks, hair ribbons, stickers, and other items that would be fun for children. We will have collection bins available throughout the school. Box of Joy gift ideas. Student Video.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, October 27

Student Council Induction Ceremony, 3:45 filming

Thursday, October 29

National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 7:00 P.M.

Friday, October 30

JPII Admissions Event: Find-Out More Friday, 9:00-10:00 A.M. Click **here** to register.

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Tuesday, November 3

Home and School Association Meeting, 6:30 P.M.

Friday, November 6

End of the first marking period

ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL

PSAT Day info:

All **Juniors** and **Sophomores** will take the PSAT on Thursday, October 29. Freshmen and Seniors will stay at home and participate in an "Adjustment Day". (Students work on existing assignments or homework; no online class meetings.) After the test, Sophomores and Juniors will be dismissed for the day. Students may dress down on that day in JPII gear; normal dress-down rules apply.

All Sophomores and Juniors please note: Bring two #2 pencils and a calculator No cell phones or smartwatches permitted in the test rooms

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If you have placed an order for Thursday, 10/29, you will receive a credit for that order. Lunch will not be provided due to PSAT testing. If you have any questions, please contact Margaret Keras, Business Manager at mkeras@jp.dfrcs.org.

Lifetouch Photos

The Lifetouch photographer will be onsite Monday, November 2nd for students in Grades 9-11. Every student will have their picture taken for the yearbook. School uniform is required. Click **here** for package information.

Spirit Week

On October 26, 27, 28, 30 Student Council will sponsor Spirit Week. It is filled with themed dress down days, a trivia contest, Grit and Wit competition and class bonding. See details below!

Grit N Wit

During this challenging time, students need fun and safe activities that increase school spirit, camaraderie, and team building. For this reason, we are so excited to bring "Grit N Wit" to St. John Paul II High School as part of Spirit Week.

"Grit N Wit" presents an obstacle-course where "Brain Meets Brawn." There will be 14-16 stations set up behind JPII and teams of four will work together to help each other through the course. "Grit N Wit" will be held on Friday, October 30. Each grade will have a run through as a class and then the top three teams from each class will compete at the end of the school day. **Don't forget to sign the Grit N Wit waiver form sent previously in order to participate.** If you have not completed it for your son/daughter please click <u>here</u> to register.

Guidance Department

Virtual College Visit, Wednesday, October 28 at 7:00 P.M.

Admission representatives from Iona College, Roger Williams University, and Sacred Heart University will be presenting this week. To join this Google Meet please refer to the code in your email from Guidance Director, Mark Tanguay.

THIS WEEK

Click **here** for **Spirit Week** Details!

Wednesday, October 28

Virtual College Visit, 7:00 P.M. (Iona College, Roger Williams University, and Sacred Heart University)

Thursday, October 29

PSAT Day - Grades 10 and 11

Gr. 9 and Gr. 12 students will stay home for a

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, November 2 School Picture Day! See details above.

Friday, November 6 Quarter ends school "adjustment" day.

Friday, October 30 Find-Out More Virtual Friday, 9:00 -10:00 A.M. Click <u>here</u> to register.