



# WEEKLY news & updates

# January 17, 2021

# ALL SCHOOL

#### Annual State of the School Meeting - January 20, 2021, 6:30 PM

Please join us at the 'State of the School' meeting via Zoom this year. We will share information, and perspective on the school's institutional life and vitality. In addition to parent survey data, financial information will be discussed, and strategic goals and efforts outlined.

Meeting ID: 558 371 8732 Passcode: 974441

# JOIN THE STATE OF THE SCHOOL ZOOM HERE

# Travel Advisory

Please note the Massachusetts travel advisory now in effect. This advisory requires that individuals (ages 11 and up) who travel/return to Massachusetts from high-risk states must produce a negative COVID-19 test result (administered up to 72-hours prior to your return to Massachusetts) or quarantine for 10 days upon arrival/return to Massachusetts. Currently, all U.S. states except Hawaii are designated as high-risk. Please send a copy of your test result to the school.

#### Bus Schedule

Barnstable and Buzzards Bay buses this week: Monday and Tuesday will be the normal pick up time Wednesday - Friday will be a noon pick up.

CCRTA is normal pick up times every day.

# 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 year, 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/508-862-6336x104.

# **School Store**

The school store is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:00- 3:30 P.M.

# **ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

#### Important Midterm Information

Midterm exams must be taken in person unless the student is a permanent remote learner. Those who are not present to take exams due to illness, quarantine, or other reasons will have an incomplete on the report card for the second marking period until the exams can be taken. If your child is absent on the day of an exam, please contact Mrs. Kelley to schedule a time to make up the exams. Thank you.

#### Athletics

SFXP "skills and drills" will be every Saturday morning from 8:00-9:30 A.M. The last date will be 2/13. Please make sure to bring your own basketball (name on it), water, and mask.

#### Lunch Program

Lunch ordering for the period of 2/1/2021-2/26/2021 is now open. To place your order, please log into Family Portal, select Student on the left menubar, and then select Lunch. The deadline to place an order is Monday, January 25th. Click**here** for instructions.

\*\* Please order for the entire period of 2/1/2021-2/26/2021. Additional orders will not be accepted after the deadline.

\*\* You will not be prompted to pay when you place your order. You will be invoiced for your order, through the FACTS system, at the end of February. Payment may be made through your FACTS financial account. Please pay promptly.

\*\*Please note that any February orders will not be processed until November/December lunch balances are paid in full. If you require assistance making a payment please contact Mrs. Keras, Business Manager, at mkeras@jp.dfrcs.org.

#### Financial Assistance for the 2021-2022 School Year

SFXP families wishing to be considered for financial assistance through the Foundation to Advance Catholic Education (FACE) must complete an annual application with FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. The application is now open. The deadline for submitting 2019 tax documents and 2020 W-2s is March 5, 2021. If you do not have a 2020 W-2 income, you will be required to submit 2020 tax documents. If you own a business, additional tax documentation may be required. Additionally, a limited number of scholarships are provided through the St. Francis Xavier Preparatory Scholarship Fund. To apply to the SFXP Scholarship Fund, in addition to completing the FACTS application, a letter requesting consideration along with a brief explanation of need should be sent to Mr. Keavy (ckeavy@jp.dfrcs.org) by April 15, 2021.

The online application can be found **here** or by logging into the Family Portal>Financial>Apply for Grant & Aid. Please contact Mrs. Margaret Keras, Business Manager, at 508-862-6336 or mkeras@jp.dfrcs.org for more information.

If you are new to completing the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment, please view this **video** on what to expect in the application process.

#### SFXP 2020-2021 Yearbook

The 2020-2021 Yearbook is available for purchase for grades 5-8. It can be purchased at **treering.com** using the passcode: 1014006133771584

#### Yearbook Information for Grade 8

All 8th-grade students are required to inform Sarah Thornington of *Studio by the Sea* of which portrait they would like to choose for the yearbook as soon as possible. This can be done by logging into your photo portal **here**.

All 8th-grade students are required to submit one digital baby/toddler photo to Miss McDonough via Google Classroom.

All 8th-grade students are required to submit their 8th-grade Yearbook Write-Up to Miss McDonough via Google Classroom. More information about Write-Ups is located on the Class of 2021 Google Classroom page.

<u>This Week</u> Monday, January 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School

Tuesday, January 19 MAP Testing Make-Up

Wednesday, January 20 Language Arts and Reading Mid-Term Exams Noon Dismissal No Aftercare or Study Hall

Thursday, January 21
Religion and Science Mid-Term Exams
Noon Dismissal
No Aftercare or Study Hall
JPII High School Preview Night, 6:30 P.M., admissions event

Friday, January 22 Math and Social Studies Mid-Term Exams Noon Dismissal No Aftercare or Study Hall End of Second Marking Period SFXP Find-Out More Friday, 9:00 A.M. virtual admissions event

Looking Ahead Thursday, January 28, 6:30 - 7:30 P.M. SFXP Virtual Preview Night, admissions event

# **ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Message from Ms. Valentino

As part of our Catholic Schools Week celebration, we are asking our students to contribute to two causes. Our charism at JPII is to Communicate Christ - One way to do that is to serve those less fortunate. I have challenged every student to participate so that we can help as many people as possible.

#### **Food Pantry**

It is very common these days to hear news daily about food pantries running out of food and money. We would like to challenge all of our students to support an ongoing food drive for the month of January and possibly beyond. There will be a bin outside of campus ministry where you can drop off donations.

#### A Baby Center

A Baby Center supplements critical basic needs that ensure the good health and safety of babies in need who live on Cape Cod.

They need: baby washcloths, pacifiers, bibs, fleece baby blankets, diapers (especially size 6( and 12 month old clothing.

#### Campus Ministry

Please **submit**\_any special intentions you have so that the school community may bring them before the Lord in prayer.

# Winter Sports Update

Due to the rising numbers of Covid-19 cases in our areas, all Cape and Islands schools are continuing to adjust and rearrange schedules; please sign up for the JPII Athletics Remind app with the class code @jp2sports or follow us on Twitter for any game changes or major announcements. For all practice updates, please make sure to stay connected with your coaches.

Boys Basketball Remind class code- @jp2hoops.

#### **Spectator Policy**

The Cape & Islands League has determined winter sports spectator policy will be to limit spectators to home fans only. This will be strictly enforced, unlike in the fall. JPII will allow two spectators for both boys and girls basketball and two spectators for boys hockey. The hockey decision is in line with the state-mandated rules for ice hockey rinks. Virtual swim meets will not allow spectators this year. To ensure we follow all guidelines, we will be issuing spectator passes directly to the student-athletes. Spectators will need to bring the pass to each game they attend and be required to sign in. These passes can be given to others who want to attend the game, but each student-athlete will not be able to exceed the designated spectators per sport policy.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Athletic Director Rich Fazzi, rfazzi@jp.dfrcs.org.

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#### **Semester Exams**

January 19 will be the start of semester exams. Please view the schedule that is attached. As a reminder, these are half-days. If you do not have an exam during the first period, you may come in for the second exam of the day. If you do not have an exam during the second period, you may leave school for the day. The cafeteria will remain open for any student who wants to remain at school.

Please click **here** for the semester exam schedule.

#### <u>Yearbook</u>

The 2021 yearbook is now available for pre-order; click **here**. Click **here**\_for the flyer. Our school code is 11460621—email Yearbook Moderator Mrs.Fox at sfox@jp.dfrcs.org with any questions. Note: Seniors will receive a yearbook as part of their senior fee and do not need to purchase a yearbook separately.

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<u>Looking Ahead</u> Tuesday, January 26, 6:30 PM. Grade 11 Town Hall meeting (virtual)