



WEEKLY news & updates

January 31, 2021

ALL SCHOOL

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 quarantine for 10 days or produce a negative COVID-19 test result that has been administered up to 72-hours prior to your arrival in Massachusetts. If not obtained before entry to Massachusetts, a test may be obtained after arrival. However, all such arriving travelers must immediately begin the 10-day quarantine until a negative test result has been received. Currently, all U.S. states except Hawaii are designated as high-risk. Please send a copy of your test result to the school.

Financial Aid

Returning students need to reapply for financial aid each year. All financial aid requests are reviewed annually based upon timely completion of the FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment Form, demonstrated financial need, and availability of resources. Please see below for more details.

School Store

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

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Town Hall, Thursday, February 4, 7:00 P.M.

SFXP parents are invited to a Town Hall, Thursday, February 4. Mr. Keavy and Mrs. Kelley will provide COVID-19 updates and address your questions and comments. Please click [here](#) for the meeting link.

Catholic Schools Week, January 31 - February 5

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Athletics

SFXP "Skills and Drills" 8:00 - 9:30 on Saturdays will continue until Saturday, February 13. Bring a ball, water bottle, and mask, please.

JPII FALL II Sports Registration - SFXP Students in Grades 7 & 8

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- We added our Covid Guidelines to the Handbook.
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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.

Home and School Association

The HSA will meet (virtually) on February 2, at 6:30 P.M. All are welcome to attend. Please use the link found [here](#) to join.

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

Attention Grade 8 Families

Students in Grade 8 must select the portrait that will be used in the yearbook.

Step 1: Go to <https://thestudiobythesea.orderschoolpix.com/>

Step 2: Select 2020 SFXP Fall

Step 3: Enter your student ID number that was provided by Studio by the Sea in the Fall.

Step 4: Enter a valid email address

Step 5: 'Tag' the portrait you would like used.

Please email Ms. McDonough if you have any questions at emcdonough@sfxp.org

This Week

Sunday, January 31

Students Attend Mass in SFXP Uniforms

Monday, February 1

Catholic Schools Week Mass, 10:00 A.M. (Grades 5 and 6)

Catholic Schools Week Mass, 1:30 P.M. (Grades 7 and 8)

Students will be provided with an ice cream treat during lunch.

Tuesday, February 2

Report Cards Go Home

Ten Question Tuesdays Trivia Contest at X Block. The topic is "Super"

Virtual BINGO, 1: 17 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

New England Sports Attire Dress Down Day

Faculty Meeting, 4:30 P.M. No Study Hall

HSA Meeting, 6:30 P.M.

Wednesday, February 3

Teacher Appreciation Day

Virtual Teacher Awards Assembly, 8:30 A.M.

Teacher Lunches

Field Trip Uniforms

CrAzY Hat Day

Thursday, February 4

Mismatch Day (No blue jeans or yoga pants)

Virtual Talent Show Presented at 1:30

JPII Town Hall, 7:00 P.M.

Friday, February 5

Student Appreciation Day

Pizza for All at Lunch

Obstacle Course Game Day

Students Wear Class T-Shirt Color and Sweatpants (no yoga pants, no leggings, no jeans – SFXP uniform gym shorts under sweats are permitted.)

Grade 5: yellow Grade 6: blue Grade 7: white Grade 8: black

Looking Ahead

Monday, February 8

Second Quarter Honors Presentation, 8:20 (Virtual)

Friday, February 12

Find-Out More Friday, 9:00 A.M. (admissions event)

ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL

HAPPENING TODAY, January 31, 1:00 - 7:00 P.M.

National Association of College Admission Counseling (NACA), College Fair (virtual)

For seniors, this may be a chance to finalize options, and for sophomores and juniors, it can be the start of the college search process. Click [here](#) to register. View [this video](#) to learn how to navigate the college fair.

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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 JP II 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.

JP II Performing Arts

JP II Performing Arts Department has taken "**Radio Drama**" to the next level. SAVE THE DATE for the Facebook Premiere of "Journey to the Center of the Earth," original story by Jules Verne, performed as an old-fashioned "radio-drama." Watch the performance from the comfort of your home via FB Premiere.

Nothing special to download; just tune in to our public page, @sjp2hs, and watch with us! Friday, February 5, at 7:30 P.M.

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 JP II 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.

Girls basketball remind code: @jpiigirlsb

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Valentine's Day Cards for Nursing Home Residents

Students are invited to participate in this Christian service opportunity. Space is limited to 15 students per session. Reach Out Leaders and Mrs. Canzano are organizing this project. Students will work in the art room. Sign-up is in the main office.

February 2, XBlock – Freshmen

February 3, XBlock - Sophomores

Feb 3, 3:00 - 4:00 P.M. - Art Rm

Feb 10, 3:00 - 4:00 P.M.- Art Rm

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Yearbook

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.

This Week

Catholic Schools Week Activities

Buttons: Designed by Digital Media students and will be distributed by Retreat leaders

Banners: Each class will create a hallway banner celebrating Catholic Schools Week with the theme of "Communicating Christ."

CSW Spotlight: Recognition of students and staff who **Communicate Christ**.

Monday - Faith

Tuesday - Excellence

Wednesday - Service

Thursday - Leadership

Friday - Communicate Christ every day

Catholic Schools Week Mass - see details below.

Service through donations to the Food Pantry and A Baby Center

Wednesday, February 3, 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Guidance Department, Wednesday Night Workshop: The Scheduling Process

Thursday

Catholic Schools Week Mass, 10:00 A.M. (grades 9 and 10), St. Francis Xavier Church

Catholic Schools Week Mass, 1:30 P.M. (grades 11 and 12) St. Francis Xavier Church

******Liturg**y dress is required (sweaters). **No JPII sweatshirts**

Friday

JPII TV Special - Featuring staff and students recognized as part of Catholic Schools Week Spotlight

Ice Cream for students during lunch