

October 3, 2021



St. John
Paul II School
ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Grandparents & Special Friends Day



The Feast of St. John Paul II
OCTOBER 22

Grandparents & Special Friends Day

Grandparents & Special Friends are invited to join students, and faculty on Friday, October 22 for a 9:00 AM reception followed by the celebration of the Holy Mass at 10:00 AM at St. Francis Xavier Church. We are honored to have Bishop Edgar da Cunha S.D.V. as the principal celebrant. [Please register your guest here.](#)



Fall Fest! October 16, 4:30 - 7:00 PM

Join us at Naukabout Beer Company for a Fall Fun(d)raiser & Social following the JP II Homecoming Game. 1:00 PM Kick-Off, JP II vs Cathedral HS, Sandwich Pop Warner Field. [Sponsorship, and guest information here!](#)

COVID Response Update

On Monday, the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) extended the masking guidelines to November 1. The Catholic Schools Office of the Fall River Diocese has directed schools to adhere to DESE guidelines at this time.

Guidelines allow fully vaccinated students and staff to attend school without masks if the school achieves an 80% vaccination rate (Unvaccinated students/staff members must continue to wear masks, even if the 80% threshold is reached). To determine if St. John Paul II School (or some part thereof) can implement this masking relief, please complete the form found [here](#).

COVID Testing Authorization

JP II participates in the state's COVID-19 testing program in order to avoid lengthy quarantines for students and staff who have been identified as a close contact of someone in the school and are also asymptomatic.

[Additional details here.](#)

Parents must provide consent to utilize the testing program. [Provide your consent online here.](#)

Schedule Change

The schedule has changed. On October 14, students will have a half-day, BUT they will not have a delayed start. Students will be dismissed at 11:24. No school on Friday, October 15; faculty and staff In-Service Day.

Host Family Opportunities

Hosting is so much more than providing a bedroom to a student. Hosting is a life-changing experience for you and your family. Experience the benefits of learning a new culture while sharing and representing your own, opening your heart and home to an international student, and guiding a new life-long friend and family member as they are introduced to American ideals and philosophy.

Cambridge Network supports all hosts by providing a monthly stipend to offset the costs incurred by adding another person to the home, as well as in-person and virtual support from an experienced residential coordinator.

Take a look [here](#) at our FAQ to learn more about this unique experience.

Contact Mona Lisa Valentino at mvalentino@jpIIhyannis.org for additional information.

School Store

The school store will be open Monday, October 4, and Thursday, October 7 from 3:00-3:30 PM.

Lunch Charges

Lunch charges for September have been invoiced through the FACTS system. Please click on the link in the email to make your payment. Preferred payment is through your FACTS financial account. However, you may send cash/check to the Business Office. All accounts must be kept current to continue to order. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Keras at mkeras@jpIIhyannis.org.



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PREPARATORY DIVISION NEWS

Preparatory Division Sports

Please join us for a brief informational meeting regarding JP II Preparatory Division soccer transportation on Sunday, October 3, at 5:00 P.M. via Zoom:

Join Zoom Meeting [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8178547043?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8178547043?pwd=VG5rTWpjS0lyOU9wYUNadUhpZHBGdz09)
[pwd=VG5rTWpjS0lyOU9wYUNadUhpZHBGdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8178547043?pwd=VG5rTWpjS0lyOU9wYUNadUhpZHBGdz09)

All athletes need to sign up for Family ID to participate in a fall sport. Please click [here](#) to register. Questions? Contact JPII Athletic Director, Rich Fazzi: rfazzi@jp2prep.org.

Remember to sign up for the Remind App for all your sports communications; text @jp2prep to 81010 or check our Twitter account @JPIIAthletics

After Care Charges

After Care charges for September have been invoiced through the FACTS system. Please click on the link in the email to make your payment. Preferred payment is through your FACTS financial account. However, you may send cash/check to the Business Office. All accounts must be kept current to continue to use this service. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Keras at mkeras@jp2prep.org.

Social Action Club

The Social Action Club will be hosting a belt drive this week for the guests at Saint Joseph House Shelter in Hyannis. New or gently used belt donations for women or men are greatly appreciated. There will be a basket in Monsignor Thomson Hall all week to gather the donations.

Home and School Association Meeting, October 5

All are invited to attend.

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pwd=VG5rTWpjS0lyOU9wYUNadUhpZHBGdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8178547043?pwd=VG5rTWpjS0lyOU9wYUNadUhpZHBGdz09)

Meeting ID: 817 854 7043

Passcode: 5bvsD5

Lunch Volunteers Needed!

Click [here](#) to learn more.

Volunteers Needed: Halloween Dance

Please click [here](#) to learn more.

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Monday, October 4

MAP Testing - Math
Student Council Elections Following
MAP Testing

Tuesday, October 5

MAP Testing - English
No Study Hall
Home and School Association Zoom
Meeting, 6:30 PM.

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, October 11

Columbus Day; No School

Tuesday, October 12
Assembly and Student Council Induction
Ceremony, 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, October 13

Grade 8 Retreat

Thursday, October 14

11:24 Dismissal

Wednesday, October 6

MAP Testing - Reading
No afternoon Barnstable Buses

Thursday, October 7

Grade 7 to Lexington and Concord

Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences,
1:00 – 6:00 P.M.

Friday, October 15

Local Professional Development; No
School for Students

Saturday, October 16

Homecoming Football Game at 1:00
PM, Sandwich Pop Warner Field
Fall Fest Fundraiser & Social at
Naukabout Brewery, 4:30 PM.



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HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION NEWS

Senior Pictures

This is the last chance to have your school picture taken for the yearbook.
Please click [here](#) to sign up.

Spirit Week

Spirit Week is upon us - October 4-8. Each day is a dress-down theme day
and one of the most fun and class unity-building weeks at JP II. Encourage
your students to get involved. Click [here](#) to see the day-to-day list.

Homecoming weekend is scheduled for October 15 and 16. The
Homecoming dance is scheduled for Friday, October 15, in the JP II
cafeteria from 7:00 - 10:00. Guest forms are available in the main office.
The football game is Saturday, October 16 at 1:00 at the Sandwich Pop
Warner Fields.

Click [here](#) for more information.

Athletics

* All athletes need to sign up for Family ID in order to participate. Please
click [here](#) for the link.

Concert Choir

Concert Choir will hold enrollment open through this Wednesday, October 6
(Day 4 Special Rehearsal during lunch and X) because there has been so
much last-minute interest! Yes, we are singing at Mass with the Bishop on
Oct. 22, and we are preparing for our Christmas Concert LIVE on
December 17 with orchestra! Yes, we are planning our annual tour in
March and already have tickets for Hamilton! We have even received two
invitations all ready to perform in December on Cape Cod! Whether we
have masks or not...THE CONCERT CHOIR IS BACK!!!

Guidance Department News

On Tuesday, October 26, 6:00 - 8:00 PM. St John Paul II School will be
partnering with Bishop Stang and Cardinal Spellman to host the Southeast

Massachusetts Virtual College Fair. More information and the registration link to join will be coming but SAVE THE DATE!

Financial Aid Webinars with Jodi Conway
Please click [here](#) to view dates and to register.

SAT School Day, October 13

All seniors will take the SAT exam at school on Wednesday, October 13, beginning at 8:00 am. This service is provided by JPPII at no additional cost to the students. Seniors will be dismissed after the exam, at around 11:30 am. All other classes will attend school as normal.

PSAT School Day, October 26

All freshmen, sophomores, and juniors will take the PSAT test on the morning of Tuesday, October 26, at school; they will finish before lunch, then attend their afternoon classes. Seniors will have a late start--all seniors must be at school by the start of X-Block, at 11:28 am. Any student who participates in sports or extracurricular activities must attend school on October 26.

Lunch Volunteers Needed

Is your child missing the Little Debbie's Swiss Rolls?

The drink and snack line during lunch has not opened yet due to a lack of volunteers. The lunch volunteer commitment is 10:45 AM to 12:45 PM and includes set up, distributing lunch orders, selling drinks and snacks, and clean up. We can accommodate most schedules from once a week to once a month. Completing the CORI process is required. Please consider helping out. For more information, please contact Margaret Keras at mkeras@jpiihyannis.org.

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Wednesday, October 6

No afternoon Barnstable Buses

Friday, October 8

On-Campus College Visit: 11:00 - 12:45, Colby College

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Tuesday, October 12

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SAT School Day

On-Campus College Visit: 11:00 - 12:45, Holy Cross

Guidance Presentation (virtual),
Freshman Information Night, 7:00 PM
Google Meet: meet.google.com/wov-mqrx-cvi

Thursday, October 14

Early Dismissal: 11:24

No Barnstable Buses

Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences,
1:00 – 6:00 P.M.

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