

November 7, 2021



St. John
Paul II School
ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Mask Policy per DFR Catholic Schools Office

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has recently announced the [extension of the mask mandate](#) for all students aged 5 years and above as well as for all teachers, staff, and visitors (regardless of vaccination status) until January 15, 2022.

Our Catholic schools have been open since the beginning of September, and we have been fortunate to experience very few cases of Covid across the Diocese.

Therefore, the Diocese of Fall River Catholic schools will continue to follow DESE's mask mandate to support the health and safety of all of our students, staff, and families. In alignment with the state, we will also revisit this policy in January 2022.

By federal public health order, all students will still need to wear a mask when on school buses or in school health offices.

November Prayer Requests

Traditionally, in November the Church calls for special prayers for deceased family members, loved ones, and friends. Administrators, faculty, staff, and students at St. John Paul II School invite you to **submit a list** of your family members, loved ones, and friends who have gone before us in faith. Our school community will pray for the repose of their souls throughout the month.

Upcoming Bus Transportation Changes

Monday, 11/22: There will be no afternoon Barnstable buses; Buzzards Bay bus will run as usual.

Wednesday, 11/24 (11:24 AM dismissal): There will be no morning or afternoon Barnstable buses; Buzzards Bay bus will run as usual with 11:24 AM pickup

Box of Joy- Collection

All donations must be in school by Tuesday, November 9.

The next few days are our FINAL push to reach our goal and share Christmas Joy, abroad.

Giving something as simple as a jump rope, a small boxed puzzle, or some

plastic dinosaurs *might not change the world, but it could change the world for one person.* Let's demonstrate true LIONS spirit by mailing this year's goal of 100 boxes to Central and South America and Africa this holiday season. Gift ideas can be found [here](#). There are donation boxes at the Preparatory School Division and High School. Cash donations are always welcome, and you can leave them in the main office.

Admissions Events

Please share admissions events with friends! There are in-person and virtual events scheduled monthly. Click [here](#) to find an admissions date that fits into your schedule. Call the admissions office to learn more, 508-862-6336 x104.

Enrichment Program, Boston College: BC Splash

Open to Students in Grades 7 - 12. Learn more [here](#).

COVID Vaccination Status Request

To inform the school of your child(ren)'s COVID vaccination status, please complete the following form: <https://forms.gle/LQDLqFBkuZDH6kWN9>

COVID Testing Authorization

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

School Store

The school store will be open Monday, November 8, and Wednesday, November 10, from 3:00-3:30 PM.



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PREPARATORY DIVISION NEWS

Fall Sports Awards, November 10

The Fall Sports Awards Ceremony for Preparatory Division soccer and cross country athletes will be held in Monsignor Thomson Hall, from 3:15 to 3:45.

Friends & Families BINGO Night - Volunteers Needed!

Friday, November 12, 7:00- 9:00 PM. Click [here](#) to volunteer.

Student of the Week - First Quarter

Student of the Week is a celebration of every student. With Christian love, we take pride in all of our students every week. The JPII Wall of Fame is host to pictures of our Student of the Week recipients. You may also find them here, along with a special write-up. Please join us in recognizing our Students of the Week for the first quarter! <https://jpiihyannis.org/sow/> with

password: celebrate *To read the tributes, please hover over the image and click on the magnifying glass.

Youth StreetReach November

JPII Prep students are again invited to volunteer with StreetReach, breakfasts for the homeless, the weekend of November 19-20. Friday night, the program is from 6:30-8:00 P.M. The breakfast on Saturday is from 6:30 to 10:30 A.M. Students may choose to do only the set-up on Friday, or both the set-up and breakfast. There is no fee for this opportunity. Each student can bring a food item to donate for the breakfast. New socks and/or lightly used backpacks and clothing are also very appreciated. The breakfast takes place at the Baptist Church on Main Street in Hyannis. Please sign up with Mrs. Scheffler at hscheffler@jpiihyannis.org.

Willy Wonka Jr.

Rehearsals are in full swing for our winter musical. Please make sure all cast members are logged into google classroom to stay up-to-date on rehearsal dates/times. Rehearsals are Monday-Thursday 3:00–4:30 P.M. with Mrs. Fish and Ms. Uguccioni. To log on, use google classroom code: jzivr3s

Yearbook Information

Preparatory Division yearbooks for the 2021-2022 school year are available for purchase at treering.com. Use the passcode: 1014006133771584.

Attention 8th Grade Parents!

8th Grade Students are required to:

- select their favorite outdoor portrait on the Studio By the Sea website in order to be added to the yearbook.
- complete the '8th Grade Write Up' assignment located on the Class of 2022 Google Classroom page.
- submit a Baby/Toddler Photo on the Class of 2022 Google Classroom page.

Please contact yearbook coordinator, Mrs. Elizabeth Harkey, with questions at eharkey@JPIIHyannis.org.

High School Division Winter Sports Meeting

The meeting will take place in person, on Tuesday, November 16, at 5:00 PM in the auditorium. This meeting is for Grades 7-12 students interested in playing Boys Hockey, Girls Hockey, Boys/Girls Basketball, or Swim at the high school level.

Lunch Volunteers Needed!

Click [here](#) to learn more.

THIS WEEK

Monday, November 8

Assembly, 9:05 A.M.

Wednesday, November 10

Report Cards Go Home

Fall Sports Awards Ceremony, 3:15 P.M.

LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesday, November 16

Winter Sports Meeting (Grades 7-12), 5:00 P.M.

Wednesday, November 17

First Quarter Honors Breakfast, 8:30 A.M.

Thursday, November 11

Veterans Day, No School

Friday, November 12

Friends and Family BINGO, 7:00 – 9:00 PM.

Thursday, November 18

5th/8th Grade Buddy Lunch

Virtual Preview Night, Admissions Event, PD 6:00 PM/HD 7:00 P.M.

Friday, November 19

No School for Students; Diocese of Fall River Professional Development Day



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HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION NEWS

Lifetouch Photos/Student Picture Day

The Lifetouch photographer will be onsite Monday, November 22, for students in Grades 9-11. Every student will have their picture taken for the yearbook. School uniform is required. Photo packages can be purchased online at mylifetouch.com - School ID: EVTG4R2B8

No Food Delivery

Students are not permitted to order from food delivery services such as DoorDash, Uber Eats, and GrubHub. Students should bring a lunch from home or order through the school's lunch service on the Parent Portal.

Box of Joy

INCENTIVE NEWS; if we meet our Box of Joy goal of packing 100 boxes, students will *earn* a JP II Spirit dress down day, Friday, November 12. All donations must be in school by next Tuesday, November 9. The next few days are our FINAL push to reach our goal and share Christmas Joy, abroad. Collection boxes are in the main office and by campus ministry. Giving something as simple as a jump rope, a small boxed puzzle, or some plastic dinosaurs *might not change the world, but it could change the world for one person.* Let's demonstrate true LIONS spirit by mailing this year's goal of 100 boxes to Central and South America and Africa this holiday season.

Box of Joy is also holding a Freshman and Sophomore service opportunity on Wednesday, November 10th, from 3-4 PM for students to pack and prepare boxes for drop-off day. Feel free to put on your favorite Christmas sweater, wear your Santa hat and bring holiday music. There is a sign-up list in the main office for those interested. Tis' the Season for lots of fun and doing for others!!!

Concert Choir at St. Anthony Church in Falmouth

The Concert Choir has been invited to sing at St. Anthony Church in Falmouth (Now part of St. Joseph, Guardian of the Holy Family Parish) on Sunday, December 12 at 10:00 A.M. The Mass will take place at 11:00 A.M., and students will be served lunch afterward by the parish. Many thanks to Msgr. Avila, for his gracious invitation to us! All Concert Choir

members are required to attend and have made a commitment to this special event!

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Guidance Department News

Wednesday, November 17

Junior Information Night 1 (virtual): The College Process, 7:00 P.M.

Lunch Volunteers Needed

The drink and snack line during lunch has only been open sporadically 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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Thursday, November 11

Veterans Day, No School

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Winter Sports Meeting 5:00 PM
(details above)

Wednesday, November 17

Junior Information Night 1 (virtual),
7:00 P.M.

Thursday, November 18

National Honor Society Induction
Ceremony, 1:00 P.M.

Virtual Preview Night, Admissions
Event, PD 6:00 PM/HD 7:00 PM

Friday, November 19

No School for Students; Diocese of
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Day

Monday, November 22

Picture Day for students Grades 9 -
11



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