

The Blue Jay Flyer



Three parishes... One commitment to Catholic Education

March 15, 2017

From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Where has the school year gone? Third quarter ends next Friday and in a short nine weeks our school year will end! As you well know the last weeks of the year are very busy with activities as well as work. Our staff continues to work on our Accreditation goals, looking at new management systems and ordering supplies for next school year.

Many of our grades will be experiencing their days of retreat and completing their service projects. During our season of Lent our students have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, praying the Stations of the Cross and will be attending the Living Stations on April 13th. If you have never seen this powerful rendition of Christ dying on the cross, it is definitely worth your time.

May this season of Lent bring us closer to our Lord and to one another,

Ms. Catie Blum

IS IT BULLYING?

- * When someone says or does something **unintentionally** hurtful and they do it **once**, that's **RUDE**
- * When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they do it **once**, that's **MEAN**
- * When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they **keep doing** it even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're **upset**, that's **BULLYING**.



**St John the Baptist
PTO Carnival**
Saturday, March 17th
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Parish Center/Gym

**Join Us with the Whole Family for
Games, Prizes, Food and Fun!**

*** Save the Date ***
Donuts with Dad
Friday, April 7, 2017
8:15-8:50 AM

More information will be sent home later in Blue Jay Folders.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Mar 16 | Gr. 3/4/5 Reconciliation 9:30 AM
Gr. 8 Trip to Camp Kern |
| Mar 17 | NO SCHOOL |
| Mar 18 | PTO Carnival 10 AM–2 PM Gym |
| Mar 20 | Gr. 8 Mass 8:30 AM |
| Mar 23 | 3 year old Preschool Trip to
Farbach Werner
Gr. 2 Trip to Burnet Woods
Gr. 5 DARE Graduation 7 PM Cafe |
| Mar 24 | All School Mass
End of 3rd Quarter |
| Mar 27 | Gr. 6 Mass 8:30 AM |
| Mar 30 | Gr. 6/7/8 Retreat |
| Mar 31 | All School Mass 8:30 AM |

In-house School Supply Store

Our in-house school supply store is a great service for the students who need supplies. It is also a great opportunity for our 8th graders to help the school and show responsibility.



St. John's has three stores for our students' supply needs. One is located by grades 3/4, one by grades 5/6, and one in the junior high hallway. They are open each day before morning announcements. Check out the available supplies and prices on our website located under the Parent Info section.

Save your Ink Jet Cartridges

We are fortunate to have a fund-raiser for our computer lab that costs us nothing. We are paid \$1.00 to \$2.00 for empty ink jet cartridges. We can use **ONLY INK JET**, no laser printer cartridges. (Anything bigger than 5"x5" is too big!!!!) So ask family, neighbors, friends and businesses to start saving for you now. A box for collection is located in the school's computer lab or the church's bell tower. Or you can just send them into school. Thank you for your continuing support.

School Yearbooks

2016-17 School Yearbook order forms went home in folders last week. You might also receive or had previously received an email to order yearbooks online with a credit card. The yearbook includes all preschool—8th grade student pictures, student club/group, teachers, staff, volunteers pictures plus tons of candid pictures taken during the school year. The yearbook is published over the summer and will be distributed **early next school year**.

We also have a limited quantity of older year books available if you missed out on previous years. 2015-16 yearbooks are \$16 and all other past years are \$10. Contact the school office for more information.

The kindergarten teachers need clean/empty glass baby food jars for a class project. If you have any please send to the school office.

SAINTS FUN FACTS by John Sheppard

One of the world's most popular saints. Enslaved as a young teen by pagans and Druids, he turned to God while in captivity. Escaping at age 20, he returned to his family and began studying for the priesthood. He preached throughout Ireland converting many for 40 years. He died at Saul, site of the first church he built.

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St. Patrick

THANK YOU

Marco's Dine-to-Donate event in January raised over \$180 for our school! Thanks to all the families who participated.

Ms. Wilmes' homeroom class was the top homeroom and will be treated to a pizza party (date will be announced later).

St. Patrick often used shamrocks to explain the Holy Trinity.

