

NOTES FROM MRS. NASH

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ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

APRIL 4, 2025

Dear SJF Families,

We have WONDERful things going on in our school! If you haven't yet, please register to join us for our 3rd Annual Family Fun Night which is this Thursday, April 10th! Enjoy a night of crafts and games with your children led by our faculty and student leaders; the Easter Bunny is even going to join us! See the flyer below for more information.

We are so proud of our Newspaper Club! 33 of our Falcons in 3rd - 6th grade created the first edition of the Falcon Flyer. <u>Visit this link</u> to read it digitally, or reach out to your child's homeroom teacher if you would like a printed copy for \$1. Thank you to Mrs. Argyropoulos, Mrs. Regnier, Ms. Hladik, and Ms. Dunlavy for working with our students; it is so well done!

Spring Break is on the horizon along with First Holy Communion, May Crowning, and Graduation, just to name a few. The months of April and May are sure to fly by! Take every free minute you can to stop and smell the blooming spring flowers and enjoy some precious time with your children. You won't regret it!

Thank you for continuing to choose Catholic education, especially St. John Fisher. Thank you for entrusting your most precious gifts to us each and every day. We truly are LUCKY to be FALCONS! You belong here.

In unity and hope,

-Mers. Maura Nash



vour cooperation!

Important Announcements

- Extended Day: <u>Don't forget to sign up your Falcon(s) here</u>. If you have questions, please reach out to Mrs. O'Grady, dogrady@sjfschool.us.
- Attention Attention! <u>PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILDREN HOME if they are not</u>
 feeling well in an effort to reduce the amount of illnesses being spread! As a
 reminder, our school sick policy requires children to stay home from school the
 following day if they have been sent home with vomiting, fever (100 degrees),
 rash or diarrhea. <u>Students must be fever free without the use of fever reducing</u>
 medicine for 24 hours before returning to school. If there are symptoms of a
 communicable disease (reddened eyes, sore throat, fever, headache, rash)
 please do not expose other children to the possibility of sickness. Thank you for
- **Heads Up!** *This is the time of the year for lice*. Please remind your children not to share brushes, hats, helmets, etc. Please report any cases of lice to the School Office. Thank you!
- In case you missed the email from the Archdiocese, please take a few minutes to complete the *5 Essentials Survey* linked here. This important survey provides our school with feedback on our strengths as well as opportunities for growth. Thank you for your time!
- Time to register for SJF's 3rd Annual Family Night! Visit this link today!
- Our Yearbook Team is actively working on our 24-25 yearbook. We are looking for group photos of Homecoming, Football, Cheerleading, Confirmation, any field trips or candid shots. Please send pictures to SJFyearbook@sjfschool.us.
 - o If you are interested in ordering a yearbook, please see the flyer below.

Pro Labore Dei

- We are looking for 5 student volunteers to help on **Saturday, April 5th, in the** rectory at 9:15 a.m.
- Our annual Easter basket drive is taking place again for families in Robbins, Posen, and St. Thomas More. Any donations to this project are greatly appreciated! Please drop-off any contributions to the rectory by noon on April 9th.

Thank you for your generosity!





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1	Manna Hours @ The Convent 8:30-9:30 a.m.
Weekend Mass	4 p.m, 8 a.m. & 11 a.m.
	All are welcome!
Monday, April 7th	Happy Monday Falcons!
Tuesday, April 8th	HW Club 3-3:45 p.m. w/ Mrs. Ade,
	Mrs. Schiller & Ms. Dunlavy
	Manna Hours @ The Convent 6-7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 9th	HW Club 3-3:45 p.m. w/ Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller and
	Ms. Dunlavy
	Culver's Eat N' Earn! See Flyer Below!
	Future Falcon Playdate
Thursday, April 10th	10:15 - 11 a.m. in gym
	ETC: Spring Art Fun w/ Mrs. Corley
	3 rd Annual Family Night! 6-7:30!
Friday, April 11th	Happy Falcon Fri-YAY!
	WHERE YOUR FAVORITE FALCONS SHIRT W/ YOUR UNIFORM BOTTOMS!



Manna office hours will be closed on Saturday, April 19th and Wednesday, April 23rd.



School Advisory Board

Every Spring, we begin the process to meet new parents and parishioners to discuss joining the School Advisory Board. We appreciate you considering sharing your skills and talents with us to support the School's Goals. The minimum time commitment is about 2 hours per month including a monthly meeting and follow-up committee work. There is additional information on our structure and goals under "Organizations" tab of the school website. Typically, the selection process includes an interview with current and past board members in early summer. We aim to select new board members by August to enable a strong start for the new school year. Please email sjfsab@gmail.com with any questions. You can submit a resume to that email if you would like in addition the the application <code>linked here</code> although it IS NOT required. Thanks!



Together let's build a school that we love.

Do you ever wonder what our morning
Zoom announcements are like?
Now you can see them for yourself!
Visit this link to see recordings of our
latest and greatest morning moments. ENJOY!

OUR FALCONS ARE BRAVE STRONG IMPORTANT, SMART, KIND AND LOVED.



Join us for the 5th Annual Conner T. Lowry Gym Dedication

SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH
5:00 PM CEREMONY
BOYS VOLLEYBALL PACK THE HOUSE
ST. JOHN FISHER GYM



National Anthem performance by SJF students!

LIVE LIFE LARGE



* CPL. CONNER T. LOWRY DAY * APRIL 5TH

1 PM	4TH	SJF White vs. Mt. Greenwood
2 PM	5TH	SJF White vs. Mt. Greenwood
3 PM	6TH	SJF 6B vs. Evergreen Park
4 PM	6ТН	SJF 6A vs. Incarnation

CPL. CONNER T. LOWRY GYM DEDICATION 5 PM

5:30 PM	7TH	SJF 7B vs. St. Linus
6:30 PM	7TH	SJF 7A vs. St. Christina
7:15 PM	7TH	SJF 8B vs. St. Gerald
8:00 PM	8TH	SJF 8A vs. St. Christina















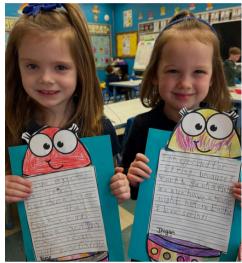


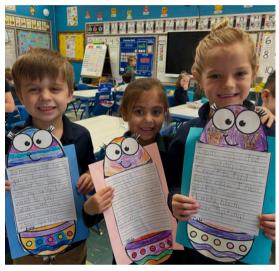


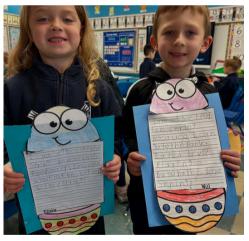


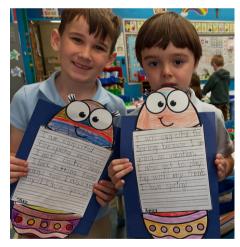


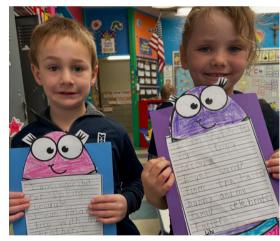


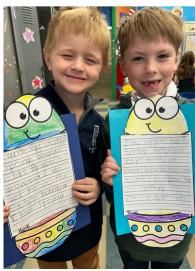


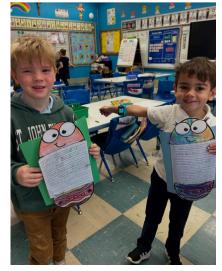














Dear SJF Families,

Several cases of lice have been reported to our school office. Please do not be alarmed, as this is a common occurrence in schools. Head lice are not a sign of unclean people or unclean homes!

Please take these precautions:

- 1) Check your child's hair for eggs (nits).
- 2) If you suspect your child has head lice, seek appropriate treatment (which includes thorough cleaning of bedding, clothing, coats, etc.). Chicago Lice Removal is a local, St. John Fisher family owned business that can be a helpful resource with this process, 708.966.3028.
- 3) Call the School Office to report the case. All calls are kept confidential! It is also recommended that you notify close contacts in order to control an outbreak.
- 4) If head lice are found, do not send your child to school until he/she has been treated and all the nits have been removed. We have a **No Nit Policy**, meaning all eggs must be removed before returning to school.

Educating your child(ren) about how lice are spread from one child to another may prevent infestation. Children should be advised not to share combs, brushes or hats. Home head lice checks should be a part of routine personal hygiene and are recommended to identify early, easily treatable infestation. Please give the needed time and attention tonight to check the head(s) of your child(ren).

Feel free to contact us with any questions.

-St. John Fisher School

St. John Fisher Family Might

Join us for an evening of games and crafts for the whole family!

Visit this link to register today! We can't wait to spend the evening with you!

April 10

6:00-7:30

Be on the lookout for details about this fun-filled night and a photo op with a special guest!

DONATE WHILE You Dine!

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9TH

Culver's of Evergreen Park will donate a percentage of sales from 5PM-8PM to

ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL



Come on in to your local Culver's restaurant:

Culver's of Evergreen Park

9515 S. Kedzie Ave Evergreen Park, IL 60805



White Sox vs Detroit Tigers June 4th, 2025 at 6:40 PM Tickets are \$20-\$25 each. Limited Tickets Available!

To purchase your seats: CLICK HERE

Please email Carrie Erwinski at Carrie726@gmail.com with any questions.



FISHER FALCONS RUNNING CLUB

Begins Sunday, April 13th



Calling all Runners

Join our Ridge Run Team

Ridge Run Monday, May 26, 2025

Youth Mile Run @ 8:10am 5K RUN @ 9:30am

To register your child for Running Club please scan here and complete the SJF Google Form



Coaches: Morgan Degnan Marcy Doheny Kerry McNicholas

DETAILS

- Running Club will meet once a week on Sundays from 12:00pm to 12:45pm.
- Our first day will be Sunday, April 13th.
- We will meet at Kane Halls door.
- Runners will be placed in groups according to grade levels kdg, 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8.
- The GOAL is to run the Ridge Run 5k or youth mile.
- Register your child under team name SAINT JOHN FISHER FALCONS 2025 for the Ridge Run.

Questions? Please contact:

Kerry McNicholas (708) 525-0705





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PLEASE FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM BY STOPPING IN OR AT SJF WEBSITE FOR GOOGLE FORMSUMMER
Selling HOURS at the Convent: WEDNESDAY 6-7 PM AND SATURDAYS 830-930 AM







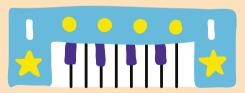
St. John Fisher Proudly Hosts Future Falcons Playgroup

Each Thursday of the month beginning from 10:15-11 a.m.

Experience the Falcon way through play at our weekly playgroup sessions filled with activities, music and community building.

Where & When?

St John Fisher Gym
10200 S. Washtenaw Ave.
Thursdays of every month
beginning
October 8th from 10:15-11.
\$5 per child/\$15 per family max



Why Play?

At SJF, we value intellectual, academic, social & emotional growth. Through play, children are able to develop these skills while building relationships within their community.



Who & What?

All children 0-3 and caregivers are welcome! Enjoy a range of fun activities and getting to know your fellow future Falcon friends!





Social & Emotional Learning

At SJF we continue to build upon our SEL goals. <u>Each month</u> of the school year will have an all-school focus on the trait of the month, helping students strengthen particular social skills with different lessons and activities at the classroom level and as an entire school. We encourage you to talk to your children about these traits at home for a consistent message and focus. The trait of the month program is building upon this year's behavior system and school mantra:

Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe.

September	Responsibility
October	Respect
November	Gratitude
December	Kindness
January	Integrity
February	Friendship
March	Perseverance
April	Empathy
May	Optimism



Be Respectful, Responsible & Safe. Be a Falcon.



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*Below is a list of important dates for the 2024-2025 school year.

These dates are subject to change.

- All-Staff Religious Professional Development No School:
 4.16
- Spring Break: 4.16 4.27 *classes resume 4.28
- May Crowning: 5.9 ~ 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- Memorial Day No School: 5.26
- Last Day of School for 8th Grade: 5.30, 10:45 a.m. "Clapout"
- Graduation: **6.1** ~ 1 p.m.

FORGET

Last Day of School: 6.4 ~ 10:30 a.m. dismissal

How belong here.

*1:30 p.m. dismissals are scheduled for the last Wednesday of the following months for faculty meetings, PLC work and council collaboration: September 25th, October 30th, January 29th, February 26th, April 30th, May 28th.



2024-2025 School Mass and Prayer Service Schedule

Tuesday, April 15th at 1 p.m. Holy Week All School Prayer Service 8th, grade
Wednesday, April 16th - Religious Enrichment for Faculty Professional Day
Saturday, May 3rd at 1 p.m. First Holy Communion
Friday, May 9th at 10:30 a.m. May Crowning, 8th grade
Friday, May 23rd at 8:15 a.m. Ribbon Mass 8th grade
Sunday, June 1st at 1 p.m. Graduation Mass 8th grade
Thursday, June 4th at 9:15 a.m. Last Day of School Mass 7th grade

*Dates are subject to change



2024-2025 St. John Fisher School Contacts

If you have a question or concern about...



- Assignments
- Homework
- Class Activities

Contact Classroom Teacher by email or note.

- Discipline
- Classroom & Academic Support after contacting the teacher
- Behavior/Specific Incidents

Start by contacting the Classroom Teacher for an appointment.

If further assistance is needed, contact SJF Assistant Principal, Mrs. Claire Larmon: clarmon@sifschool.us

Reporting Attendance

E-mail attendance@sifschool.us

- Schedules
- Calendar
- Arrival/Dismissal
- Miscellaneous Questions

Mrs. Kris Houston: khouston@sjfschool.us

- Registration
- Admissions
- MedicalForms

Contact the school office at 773-445-4737, or Mrs. Linda Murray: lmurray@sjfschool.us

- Powerschool
- · Tuition & Fees
- Technology
- Hot Lunch
- Virtus Training and Compliance
- Manna Program

Mrs. Delphine Maxwell: dmaxwell@sjfschool.us

- **Religious Education**
- Extended Day Program

Virtus, Mrs. Redmond: mredmond@sjfschool.net Religious Education, Dr. Chermak: echermak@sjfschool.us Extended Day, Mrs. O'Grady: dogrady@sjfschool.us Manna Team: sjfmanna@gmail.com

Student Services

Assistant Principal, Mrs. Claire Larmon: clarmon@sjfschool.us

Student Accommodation Plans

Ms. Mary Schiavone (K-4): mschiavone@sifschool.us Mrs. Karen Brogan (5-8): kbrogan@sjfschool.us

(more information on the back page)



2024-2025 St. John Fisher School Contacts

If you have a question or concern about...



Reading Intervention

Ms. Mary Schiavone, mschiavone@sjfschool.us

Math Intervention

Ms. Molly Cummings, mcummings@sjfschool.us

Public Relations

Mrs. Megan Corley, mcorley@sjfschool.us

- Parent Newsletter
- Financial Aid Applications
- School Procedures
- Administrative Matters
- Policy
- Further assistance on any matter listed above
- Academic/Classroom support following communication with Mrs. Larmon

Contact SJF Principal,

Mrs. Maura Nash: mnash@sjfschool.us

- Band
- · School Board
- Athletic Programs
- Family School Association
- Women's Club
- Holy Name Society

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