



NOTES FROM MRS. NASH

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ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

JANUARY 27, 2023

Dear SJF Families,

The building is buzzing with excitement for this weekend's Open House and Family Mass. We are elated to have this school family experience back in full swing and cannot wait for you to tour your child(ren)'s classroom(s) and halls and catch up with friends, faculty and staff! Don't forget to take a peak at our fun bridge display showcasing our Family School Spirit Banners! If you need directions or guidance, feel free to ask any one of our student leaders in uniform on Sunday. Dr. Chermak has also planned a beautiful Mass to add to our Catholic Schools Week Celebration! We can't wait to welcome each of you on Sunday!

Our Falcons concluded their iReady diagnostic testing this week. The faculty is going to begin their data analysis next week. Our assessment scores look great so far! So many of our Falcons showed growth. We will be sharing more iReady information and reports in February and will be inviting you in to have a data chat with us during our next round of Parent Teacher Conferences.

Thank you for choosing St. John Fisher School and for entrusting your most precious gifts to us each and every day. **PEACE+LOVE+SJF.**

In unity and hope,

-Mrs. Maura Nash



Catholic Schools

Believe. Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.

Important Announcements

- **Catholic Schools Week Mass and Open House** is Sunday, January 29th.
 - **Open House:** 9:15-9:45 a.m. for new pre-school families and 9:45-10:45 a.m. for school families. **Family Mass:** 11 a.m.
- **Now more than ever is the best time to join our Falcon Family!** Open enrollment begins Sunday, January 29th and **we are calling all families to be Fisher Family Ambassadors!** What does this mean? The Fisher Community encourages you to share all of the great happenings about SJF with friends, family, neighbors and others - in conversation or on social media! If you are active on social media: ***please share our posts on Facebook, and tag us in any of your SJF posts on Facebook and Instagram; feel free to use #FalconsNOW.***
- Our 2nd round of **Parent Teacher Conferences** is February 16th. **Visit this link** to reserve your spot today!
- **Pink eye** is making its way around the school. Please keep your child home if he/she has any symptoms of pink eye which include: pink or red in the white of the eye, swelling, itching, burning and irritation.
- Please save the date for **SJF's Family Night on Thursday, March 9th**. See the flyer below for more details and to RSVP!
- Athletic **pictures for the school yearbook are needed**. Please send any pictures you have to Mrs. Maxwell, dmaxwell@sjfschool.us. Thank you!
- **Extended Day:** Visit **this link** to register your child. Reach out to Mrs. O'Grady with any questions, dogrady@sjfschool.us.
- Have you signed up for our **parish newsletter** yet? It is so easy! **Sign up here so you don't miss a beat about our parish news!**
- **ART CLUB MEMBERS:** Please add your name to **this list** if you will be attending our next meeting on Thursday, February 2nd. Email Mrs. Corley with any questions, mcorley@sjfschool.us.
- **ATTENTION 7TH & 8TH GRADERS:** Looking for volunteer hours? Mrs. Corley is looking for consistent volunteers to help with Art Club once a month. You can receive up to 5 volunteer hours. Please add your name to **this list** if interested. Meeting dates are 2/02, 3/02, 3/30, 5/04, 6/01.

FSA Corner

- Thank you to everyone who came to our meeting last night. Your participation and input is greatly appreciated!
- Our **St. Baldrick's Event is back!** Please save the date for **Saturday, March 4th** and **visit this link to register to be a shavee.** Thank you for your participation!

Athletics

- **Boys Volleyball Registration** is open! Please see the attached flyer for more information. Let's Go Falcons!
- We love having students at the gym to cheer on their fellow Falcons! **Please take a minute to have a conversation with your child(ren) about respecting the gym.** The stage area and bathrooms are always a mess after games. Please help the gym and athletic coordinators and our maintenance staff by ensuring our kids are throwing out their garbage and not leaving a mess. Thank you for your help!

Holy Name Society

**Please join us Sunday, January 29th for our
Annual AFC/NFC Party in Kane Hall.**

- Doors will open at 1:30 - \$20 entrance fee which will include food for both games.
- You are encouraged to bring any appetizers, chips and dips, etc. for your table.
- The party will end after the last game.
- We will be raffling off the balcony for Fight Night that evening. See details below!

Email Dave Cahill with any questions, sjhns@gmail.com



Catholic Schools Week



<p>MONDAY, JANUARY 30TH CELEBRATE COMMUNITY</p>	<p><u>PAJAMA DAY</u>- COME TO SCHOOL IN YOUR COZIEST JAMMIES! *COFFEE WILL BE PROVIDED FOR PARENTS AT MORNING DROP-OFF!</p> 
<p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 31ST CELEBRATE STUDENTS</p>	<p><u>BEACH/LUAU DAY</u>- COME DRESSED LIKE YOU ARE HEADED TO A LUAU!</p> 
<p>WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST CELEBRATE FAMILY</p>	<p><u>DECADE DAY</u>- COME DRESSED IN YOUR BEST 70'S, 80'S, 90'S OR 2000'S GEAR!</p> 
<p>THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND CELEBRATE VOCATIONS</p>	<p><u>SPORTS/JERSEY DAY</u>- WEAR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM'S APPAREL OR WEAR YOUR FAVORITE JERSEY!</p> 
<p>FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD CELEBRATE STAFF</p>	<p><u>FALCON PRIDE!</u>- WEAR YOUR FAVORITE FISHER SWAG!</p> 



Looking Ahead

<p>Sunday, January 29th</p>	<p><i>Catholic Schools Week Open House & Mass</i> <i>New Families: 9:15-9:45</i> <i>School Families: 9:45 - 10:45</i> <i>Family Mass: 11</i></p> 
<p>Monday, January 30th</p>	<p><i>Academic Study Hall w/ Ms. Dunlavy, 3-4 p.m.</i></p>
<p>Tuesday, January 31st</p>	<p><i>Homework Club 3-3:45 w/ Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller and Ms. Dunlavy</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, February 1st</p>	<p><i>Homework Club 3-3:45 w/ Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller and Ms. Dunlavy</i></p>
<p>Thursday, February 2nd</p>	<p><i>Art Club w/ Mrs. Corley 3-4pm. in Kane Hall</i></p>

Falcons:

You are Brave.

You are Smart.

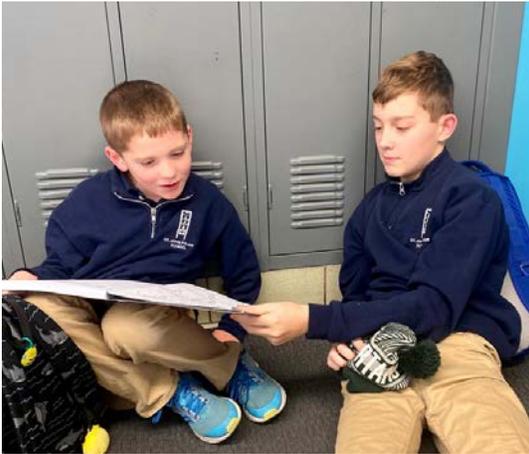
You are Important.

You are Kind.

You are Loved.

You Belong Here.









Social & Emotional Learning

At SJF we continue to build upon our SEL goals. Each month 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.**

YAY!



YAY!

MANNA UPDATE

Manna participation has increased significantly! Thank You! May thru December of this year totals \$83,000 of rebate earnings directly benefiting SJF families and the school. Almost half of school families have already accrued \$300 in total rebates. If you want to know where you stand, just ask the Manna team when you stop in or email sjfmanna@gmail.com.

The school office will be sending out a usage report to all families in the next couple weeks. Many more families are finding the **RaiseRight App and Website** to be an easy way to use the program regularly. Gift cards can even be sent home in your child's folder for no hassle.

Tip: Set a reminder on your phone before 10AM Sunday to place a weekly order on the app for everyday purchases. To request gift cards be sent home with our child, **PLEASE SUBMIT:** the **Manna Waiver Form** - Agreement for Gift Cards to be sent home through school. Submitting this form will signal to the Manna team that you'd like ALL orders to be sent home from school.

Want more information: Manna Overview. Quick videos to make it easy: Video demo for the app or Video to help understand the rebates. At SJF 40% of the rebate goes to the school and 60% goes to family. ***The Goal is for this program to help SJF maintain competitive tuition rates.*** Any questions or ideas: Email sjfmanna@gmail.com or School Board at sjfsab@gmail.com

Manna Hours:

Mondays: 8:00 – 9:00 AM

Wednesdays: 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Thursdays: 8:00 - 9:00 AM

Fridays: 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Saturdays: 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Sundays: 10:30 AM - 11:30 PM

ST. JOHN FISHER



**LAST CALL FOR
BOYS VOLLEYBALL
SIGN-UPS!**

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

REGISTRATION

Register using the Google Form
January 20th - 27th!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfOU9pz6l1L9tuAEBsCb8BnfMZ3onDKfhODRIEEb45SsDUNcQ/viewform?usp=sf_link



Any questions please contact:
Maureen O'Hara mkroche2@cps.edu

ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

ART CLUB

MEMBERS:

PLEASE ADD YOUR NAME TO [THIS LIST](#) IF YOU WILL BE
ATTENDING OUR NEXT MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND

WE WILL MEET IN KANE HALL.

PICK UP WITH BE AT THE KANE HALL DOORS

@ 4:00PM.

7th & 8th Graders!

PLEASE [SIGN UP HERE](#) IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN
VOLUNTEERING TO HELP WITH ART CLUB.

YOU CAN EARN A SERVICE HOUR EACH MONTH
(TOTAL OF 5 HOURS)



St. John Fisher Family Night

HOSTED BY THE SJF FACULTY

Lucky to be a Falcon

Where: St. John Fisher School

ENTER THROUGH THE KANE HALL DOORS FOR CHECK-IN

When: Thursday, March 9, 2023

6:00- 8:00 pm

PLEASE REMEMBER TO STAY WITH YOUR FAMILY!

-  VISIT THE BOOK FAIR, GRAB A SNACK, AND HELP CREATE OUR PARADE BANNER.
-  TEACHER-LED ACTIVITIES
-  CRAFTS, GAMES, AND FAMILY FEUD
-  BUY YOUR ST. BALDRICK'S SHIRTS.
-  RSVP BY FEBRUARY 17, 2023 USING THE QR CODE.



SJF FAMILY NIGHT - March 9th 6-8 PM

docs.google.com





ST. JOHN FISHER

SPRING SOCCER IS COMING SOON!

SJF WILL BE REJOINING THE SOUTHWEST
CATHOLIC SOCCER ASSOCIATION
(WWW.SWCSA.ORG) FOR THE
2023 SPRING SEASON.

REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN SOON FOR
BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS FOR

- VARSITY (7TH & 8TH)
- JUNIOR VARSITY (5TH & 6TH) AND
- JUNIORS (3RD & 4TH).

THE SEASON RUNS FROM MARCH 16 - MAY
WE WILL BE COMPETING AGAINST FELLOW
SOUTHWEST CATHOLIC PARISHES.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE
EMAIL: SJFFALCONSOCCER@GMAIL.COM





LIVE AMATEUR BOXING AT ST. JOHN FISHER

FEBRUARY 4, 2023

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

FIGHTS START AT 7 PM

Balcony Seating Raffle - \$50 per entry.

Winner receives full access of the balcony in the Fisher gym for Fight Night with 19 of their guests. Winner and their guests will also have food and drinks included and served in the balcony. Also, all raffle entries will receive one ticket for admittance to Falcon Fight Night. Raffle winner will be drawn in between games during the Holy Name Society AFC/NFC party.

Please Venmo entry fee @Michael-Perry-220 or use the QR code on the right.





CPL. CONNER T. LOWRY DAY

**Join us for the 3rd Annual
Conner T. Lowry Gym Dedication**

**FEBRUARY 11TH
3:40PM CEREMONY
BOYS BASKETBALL GAMES
ST. JOHN FISHER GYM**



**National Anthem performance
by SJF students!**

LIVE LIFE LARGE



CPL. CONNER T. LOWRY DAY



FEBRUARY 11TH

9:00 AM	4TH	SJF White vs St. Walter
9:50 AM	5TH	SJF Gray vs St. Mikes
10:40 AM	6TH	SJF 6B White vs Sutherland
11:30 AM	7TH	SJF 7A vs St. Catherine
12:20 PM	7TH	SJF 7B vs CK
1:10 PM	5TH	SJF Blue vs CK Red
2:00 PM	8TH	SJF 8A vs St Catherine
2:50 PM	8TH	SJF 8B Blue vs MHR White

3:40PM CPL. CONNER T. LOWRY CEREMONY & CONCESSION RAFFLE DRAWING



4:00 PM

8TH

SJF 8B White vs. Barnabas





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*Below is a list of important dates for the 2022-2023 school year. Because of the unpredictable world we live in, these dates are subject to change. We are hopeful for a very “normal” school year ahead!

- Open House - **1.29** ~ 9:45 - 10:45 a.m.
- Family Mass - **1.29** ~ 11 a.m.
- First Reconciliation, Mrs. Ball's Room - **1.25** ~ 6:00 p.m.
- Confirmation: **2.4** - 11:00 a.m.
- Graduation Picture Day: **2.8**
- Parent Teacher Conferences: **2.16**
- All-Staff Religious Formation & Professional Development (no classes): **2.17**
- President’s Day – No School: **2.20**
- Family Night: **3.9**
- No School: **3.13**
- Faculty Professional Development – No School: **3.24**
- Faculty Professional Development – No School: **4.5**
- Spring Break: **4.6 – 4.16** *classes resume **4.17**
- First Holy Communion: **4.29**
- Memorial Day – No School: **5.29**
- Last Day of School for 8th Grade: **6.2**
- Graduation: **6.4** ~ 1 p.m. in church
- Last Day of School: **6.8** - 10:30 dismissal

Come as you are. You are loved.

***1 p. m. dismissals** are scheduled for the last Wednesday of the following months for faculty meetings, PLC work and council collaboration: **October 26th, November 30th, December 14th, January 25th, February 22nd, March 29th, April 26th, May 31st.**



2022-2023 St. John Fisher School Contacts

If you have a question or concern...

- Assignments
- Homework Class
- Activities

Contact [Classroom Teacher](#) by email or note.

- Discipline
- Classroom
- 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@sjfschool.us

- Reporting Attendance

E-mail attendance@sjfschool.us

- Schedules
- Calendar
- Arrival/Dismissal
- Miscellaneous Questions

Mrs. Kris Houston: khouston@sjfschool.us

- Registration
- Admissions Medical
- Forms

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

- Powerschool
- Tuition & Fees
- Technology
- Hot Lunch

Mrs. Delphine Maxwell: dmaxwell@sjfschool.us

- Virtus Training and Compliance
- Religious Education
- Extended Day Program
- Manna 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

- Counseling

SJF Counselor, Mrs. Julie Schultz: jschultz@sjfschool.us

- Student Accommodation Plans

Mrs. Win Biernacki (K-4): wbiernacki@sjfschool.us
Mrs. Karen Brogan (5-8): kbrogan@sjfschool.us



2022-2023 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

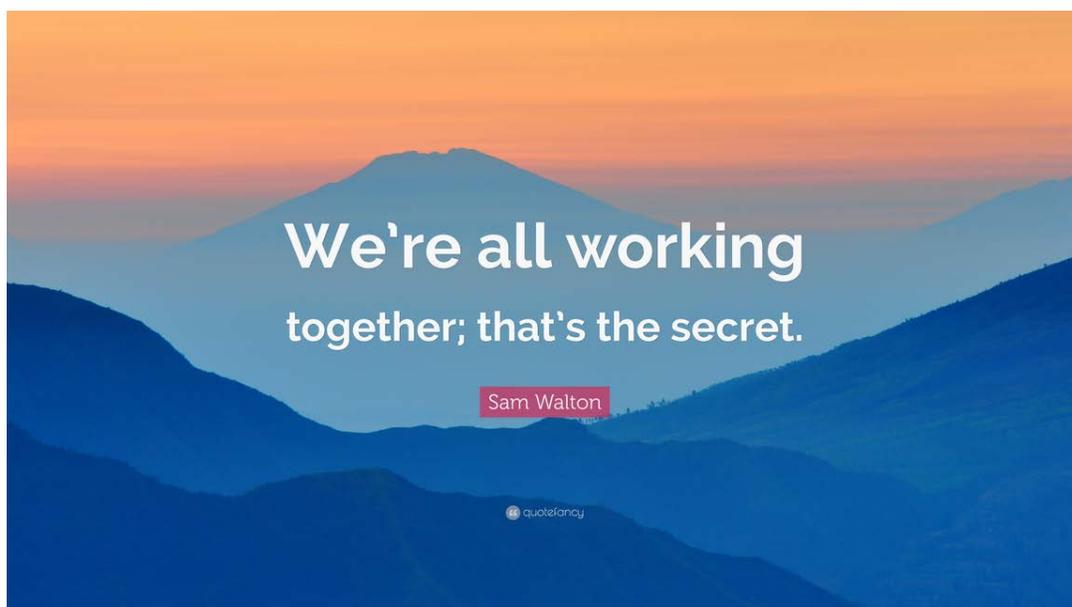
Mrs. Megan Corley, mcorley@sjfschool.us

- Parent Newsletter
- Financial Aid Applications
- School Procedures
- Administrative Matters
- Policy
- Further assistance on any matter listed above

Contact SJF Principal,
Mrs. Maura Nash: mnash@sjfschool.us

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

Mr. Bill Gula: mr.gula@aol.com
School Advisory Board: sjfsab@gmail.com
Athletic Association: stjohnfishersports@gmail.com
FSA: sjffsa103@gmail.com
Women's Club: SJFWomensClub@gmail.com
HNS: SJFHNS@gmail.com





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SKILLS, HABITS, & EMPOWERMENT

FROM FEMALE LEADERS

JANUARY 29, 2023

MORGAN PARK ACADEMY AUDITORIUM

6:30-8:30 PM

Please join us to converse with a panel of trailblazers from a variety of careers. Refreshments will be served following the event.

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

Register now at
<http://advicebeyondtheclassroom.org>



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Roy back to CK for his 3rd
visit! Yes, he is THAT GOOD!

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KIDS NAVIGATE A
POST-PANDEMIC WORLD

Monday, Jan.
30th

7:00 pm

Christ the King
Church

All parents,
grandparents and
caregivers are
welcome!



ALDERMAN MATT O'SHEA'S GET BEHIND THE VEST PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19th

8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

SAINT JOHN FISHER KANE HALL

10200 S. Washtenaw Ave., Chicago

Tickets: \$5 per person / \$25 per family

All proceeds will benefit the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation's Get Behind the Vest Campaign.



There will be a police mass at 8:00am

For more information, please contact Matt O'Shea at mattoshea@the19thward.com or (773) 238-8766.

**I PROTECT THOSE
WHO PROTECT ME.**



When Chicago Police Officers are hired, they receive a new bulletproof vest. However, a vest isn't bulletproof forever.

It wears out. It breaks down. It needs to be replaced every 5 years. Just one bullet permanently damages a vest, making it unusable. Chicago Police Officers are responsible for replacing their own vests. At \$500 or more per vest, in addition to other equipment and uniform expenses, the costs can quickly add up. That's why we need your help.

The Chicago Police Memorial Foundation has paid out more than \$4.9 million to purchase over 12,000 replacement vests for Chicago Police Officers and at least 500 more in 2023. The initiative is ongoing and we project 500 officers a year will need new vests in the future.

This event has raised over \$500,000 to date.

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The Beverly
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SJF Alumni

75th Anniversary Montage
Coming 2023-2024



We Are
Collecting
Throw-back
SJF Photos

Share your old grade school photos

Please include
caption and year



Email to:
sjfalum@gmail.com



Save the date

Cloud 9

St. John Fisher

2023 Father Daughter Dance

Saturday, April 1, 2023

