



NOTES FROM MRS. NASH

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.

ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

MARCH 8, 2024

Dear SJF Families,

This week marks the beginning of the third trimester. There is nothing like the feeling of a fresh start! Our Falcons are ready to make this their best trimester yet! Our kids are so bright and when they work hard, the possibilities are truly endless! In this month of March, we pray our students persevere and march forward with focus and determination.

Tomorrow is our Irish Mass which is hosted by our 3rd Graders under the direction of Dr. Chermak, Mrs. Caulfield and Mrs. Regnier at 4 p.m. Following Mass, please join us for our St. Patrick's Fundraiser at 5 p.m. in the Conner T. Lowry Gym. Thank you to the St. Pat's Committee for volunteering to organize our party and raffle in support of our school's overall fundraising goals! We love opportunities to be together on campus and are appreciative of everyone who is able to attend, participate and/or volunteer. We are all so lucky to be Falcons and we hope to see you tomorrow!

Registration is upon us. ***Three-year-old and four-year-old pre-k families, please submit your registration form for pre-k and kindergarten as soon as you can!***

Kindergarten through 8th grade families, please submit your intent to return forms. Now more than ever is a great time to be a Falcon! Enrollment is a crucial piece of our budgeting process for next year which is currently underway. Thank you!

Thank you for choosing St. John Fisher School and for entrusting your most precious gifts to us each and every day. **You belong here.** 

In unity and hope,
-Mrs. Maura Nash



St. Pat's Apparel

All Falcons who purchased apparel can wear their St. Pat's swag on Mondays in March.

We are so lucky to be Falcons!

Important Announcements

- The April Hot Lunch Menu is available and open for ordering.
- The 2024 Archdiocese of Chicago **5 Essentials Parent Survey** is open and *closes on March 22nd*. Please complete the survey linked here. We are grateful for your feedback!
- The **Girl Scouts will be selling cookies** after tomorrow's 4 p.m. Mass. Cookies are \$6 a box and all forms of payment are accepted.
- **Can you share your pop tops?** For the next month, **8th grader Maeve Malloy will be collecting pop tops for The Ronald McDonald House**. The Ronald McDonald House uses pop tabs to pay their electric bill. Please help by bringing your pop tops to school! The homeroom who donates the most pop tops wins an out of uniform day! The collection will end April 12th! Thank you on behalf of The Ronald McDonald House.
- The FSA's **Mother & Son White Sox Event is back!** See the flyer below to purchase your tickets today. A huge THANK YOU to Carrie Erwinski and the FSA for organizing this event again!
- **Extended Day:** Don't forget to sign-up your child here. If you have questions, please reach out to Mrs. O'Grady, dogrady@sjfschool.us.



FALCONS,

YOU HAVE BRAINS IN YOUR HEAD.

YOU HAVE FEET IN YOUR SHOES.

YOU CAN STEER YOURSELF

ANY DIRECTION YOU CHOOSE.

WAY TO WORK HARD THIS TRIMESTER!



Looking Ahead

<p>Saturday, March 9th</p>	<p><i>Manna Hours @ The Convent 8:30-9:30 a.m.</i> 4 p.m. Irish Mass 5 p.m. St. Pat's Party in the Conner T. Lowry Gym</p>
<p>Sunday, March 10th</p>	<p>8 a.m. & 11 a.m. Mass All are welcome!</p>
<p>Monday, March 11th</p>	<p>*ETC 3-4 p.m. PE after 3 w/ Mrs. Sefcik</p> <p>*Wear your St. Pat's Swag Mondays in March!</p>
<p>Tuesday, March 12th</p>	<p>*Homework Club w/ Mrs. Schiller, Mrs. Ade & Ms. Dunlavy 3-3:45 p.m. High School Musical Practice 3-4:15 p.m.</p>
<p>Wednesday, March 13th</p>	<p>*Homework Club w/ Mrs. Schiller, Mrs. Ade & Ms. Dunlavy 3-3:45 p.m. <i>Manna Hours @ The Convent 6-7:00 p.m.</i></p>
<p>Thursday, March 14th</p>	<p>High School Musical Practice 3-4:15 P.M.</p>
<p>Friday, March 15th</p>	<p>Happy Falcon Fri-YAY! Wear your favorite spirit-wear top with your uniform bottoms!</p>



MARCH 8TH AT 6 & 8 PM | ST. LAURENCE HIGH SCHOOL

FISHER VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

6TH AA 6:00 PM & 8TH AA 8:00 PM

4A | 20 | 15
 GATE | ROW | SEAT



123-456-7890

ST. JOHN FISHER

BASKETBALL

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Join us for an exciting day of basketball featuring some of Fisher's best teams!

MARCH
9TH

LOCATION
MARIST HIGH
SCHOOL

TIME
ALL DAY

4th Grade White

10:35am

5th Blue

1:40pm - Consolation

6th Blue vs 6th White

1:50pm

5th Gray

2:40pm - Consolation

6th A

3:00pm

8th B

4:10pm



"The court is our stage, let's put on a show!"



JOIN US

ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH'S



Irish Mass



SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH @ 4 P.M.

HOSTED BY OUR 3RD GRADE
FALCONS

You belong here. 

Pro Labore Dei

- Last Saturday morning was just like any other Saturday in the SJF rectory basement. We had a flurry of activity, hard work, conversation and a-lot of volunteers! 159 lunches were sent to Robbins!
- The next lunch making session is Saturday, April 6th at 9:15. Our current needs are several large jars of mayo and our volunteers.
- Just a reminder that we are collecting Easter baskets for the clients of Pro Labore Dei. We will need them by March 21st.
- As always, thanks for everything. You make our mission run like clockwork.
- Please call Pam O'Mara (773-612-0281) or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773-203-7881) if you have questions.



During the
*Season
of Lent*
contemplate
your heart and
look at our
world with
Hope.





**OUR FALCONS ARE
LUCKY AND LOVED.**





The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation
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ST. PATRICK'S



DAY CELEBRATION

MARCH 9TH @ SJF GYM

\$75 PER TICKET Following 4pm mass, join us for a SJF community event including a corned beef dinner and live entertainment. Save the date!

MUSIC • DRINKS • FOOD • DANCING

FOR TICKET INFORMATION

VISIT
SJFSTPATS.GIVESMART.COM

TEXT
[SJFSTPATS TO 76278](tel:76278)



THIS IS A 21+ EVENT

For questions or volunteer opportunities please email St.Patricks.Day.SJF@gmail.com

The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation
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WIN \$100,000



SCAN TO ORDER

OR VISIT:

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ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL LUCKY TO BE A FALCON RAFFLE

\$100 Entry

March 9th drawing

Winner need not be present

All proceeds benefit SJF School

Prizes based on 2000 tickets sold

Any questions? Please email St.Patricks.Day.SJF@gmail.com

SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH

St. John Fisher's IRISH SODA BREAD

COMPETITION

*PRIZES FOR 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD PLACE... ALONG
WITH BRAGGING RIGHTS FOR THE BEST
TASTING SODA BREAD ON THE SOUTHSIDE!*

*JUDGING WILL START AT 5:30PM DURING THE
ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION IN SJF GYM.*

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TICKETS [CLICK HERE](#)



**SIGN UP BY MARCH 1ST USING QR
CODE OR [CLICK HERE](#)**



**COME WALK IN THE PARADE
WITH ST. JOHN FISHER**

Southside Parade Day

**Wear your SJF
St. Patrick's day attire**

**MARCH 17TH
MEET AT 7-11 (103RD AND
ARTESIAN) AT 11:15**

See you there!



MANNA UPDATE: MANNA CLOSED SPRING BREAK MARCH 27TH THRU APRIL 7TH.

Regular Hours:

Saturdays: 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Wednesdays: 6-7 p.m.

Any changes to hours will be posted on FSA
Facebook Page.

Stop in or use the [RAISE RIGHT APP](#) on-the go!

The best way to order physical cards (local too) in stock is to order using the App by Sunday at 10 p.m. and your order will be ready Wednesday at 6 p.m. Skip the line to pick-up when you order ahead! Let us know if you'd like your order sent home with your child.

Since May 1st, the program has raised more than **\$31,000 for the school and \$47,000 directly to families to lower tuition costs.** Thank you!

The deadline to earn the \$300 requirement for this school year is April 30th. To track your earnings, go to www.raiseright.com under Account/Order History. We will not be distributing a letter. If you have questions, stop into the convent during open hours or email the Manna team.

Email the Manna team at Sjfmanna@gmail.com with any questions. More info [here](#).

*Thank you for supporting
St. John Fisher!*



The poster features a dark teal background with a pattern of tropical leaves and flowers. Large, vibrant hibiscus flowers in shades of orange, red, and white are scattered throughout. A large, light grey circle with a thin white border is centered in the upper half, containing the main title. Below the circle, the event details are written in a bold, yellow, sans-serif font. The overall aesthetic is bright and celebratory.

Father Daughter Dance

SAVE THE DATE
APRIL 20TH
RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB



Please join us for the SJF FSA Sponsored Mother Son Outing

Limited Tickets
Available! To reserve
your seats please purchase
tickets by clicking the link
below. Most seats
available together in
Sections 102 & 103



June 9, 2024 at 1:10 P.M.
White Sox vs. Boston Red Sox
Click the link to purchase tickets:
<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Saintjohn8>
Please email Carrie Erwinski at
Carrie726@gmail.com with any questions.
Stay tuned for information on bus transportation.

White Sox

ST. JOHN FISHER



PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

WITH MRS. GARZA, MS. FADDEN, AND MS. SURIN



THIS SUMMER, SJF IS HOSTING AN EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM FOR TOILET-TRAINED CHILDREN AGES 3-5. EACH WEEK WILL BE BASED ON A THEME. THE CHILDREN WILL PRACTICE SOCIAL SKILLS AND COOPERATIVE LEARNING.



9:00 - 11:00 A.M.

\$70 per Week

Please send a small snack and drink daily

STORIES * CRAFTS * SONGS * INDOOR AND OUTDOOR PLAY!

Week 1
June 11, 12, 13
Dinosaurs

Week 2
June 18, 19, 20
Superheroes

Week 3
June 25, 26, 27
Fireworks and Fun

Week 4
July 9, 10, 11
Outer Space

Week 5
July 16, 17, 18
STEM Week

Week 6
July 23, 24, 25
Water Fun

Week 7
July 30, 31, August 1
Under the Sea

Week 8
August 6, 7, 8
Camping

A DISCOUNTED RATE OF \$500 IF YOU SIGN UP FOR ALL 8 WEEKS!

More Information: mgarza@sjfschool.us or text 773-315-0399

Registration and payment is due May 3rd



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WITH

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PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM IN AN
ENVELOPE MARKED
PRESCHOOL SUMMER PROGRAM TO THE MAIN OFFICE BY FRIDAY,
MAY 3RD.

STUDENT NAME: _____ AGE: _____
ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONDITIONS (PLEASE LIST ALL AND IF CHILD
CARRIES AN EPI PEN AND OR/INHALER): _____

PLEASE SELECT SESSION:

Week 1 _____

Week 5 _____

Week 2 _____

Week 6 _____

Week 3 _____

Week 7 _____

Week 4 _____

Week 8 _____

All 8 Weeks _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____

MOM'S PHONE NUMBER: _____

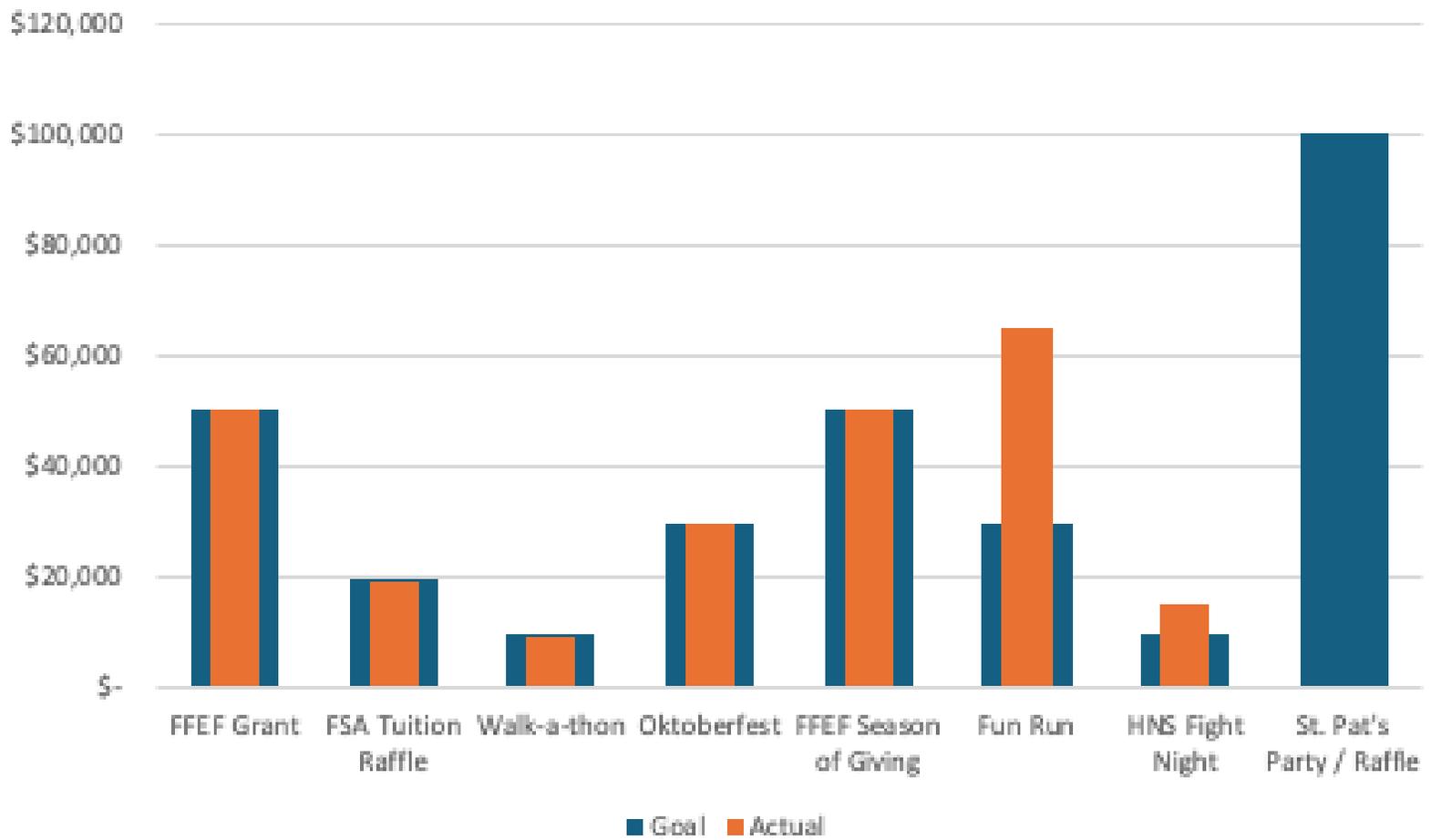
DAD'S PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT & PHONE NUMBER: _____

Important Announcements

With the enormous success of our Fun Run and the Holy Name Society so generously sharing their funds from Fight Night, we are now 79% of the way to our \$300K fundraising goal for this school year. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Fundraising Progress



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ST. JOHN FISHER
SCHOOL

St. John Fisher Backs the Blue!

St. John Fisher is proud to be home to 115
students whose parents are
Chicago Police Officers.



Thank you to those men and women who
protect and serve us each day!

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SJFSCHOOL.NET



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St. John Fisher Abbreviated Calendar

*Below is a list of important dates for the 2023-2024 school year.

- All-Staff Religious Professional Development – No School: **3.27**
- Spring Break: **3.28 – 4.7** *classes resume **4.8**
- First Holy Communion: **5.4** ~ 1 p.m.
- May Crowning: **5.10** ~ 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. All-School Early Dismissal
- Memorial Day – No School: **5.27**
- Last Day of School for 8th Grade: **5.31**, 10:45 a.m. “Clap-out”
- Graduation: **6.2** ~ 1 p.m.
- Last Day of School: **6.6** ~ 10:30 a.m. dismissal

You 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: **March 20th, April 24th, May 29th.**

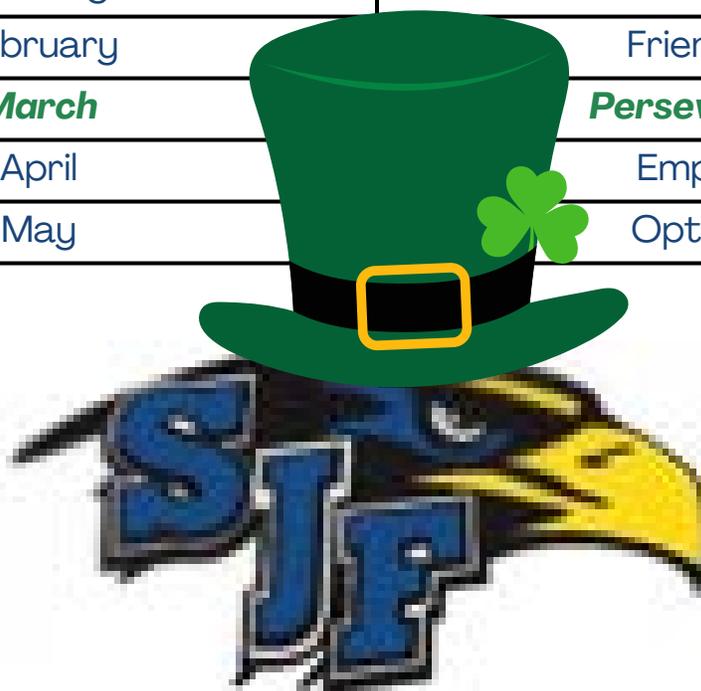


Social & Emotional Learning

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.**



2023-2024 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 & 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@sjfschool.us

- Reporting Attendance

E-mail attendance@sjfschool.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

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

- Student Services

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

- Student Accommodation Plans

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



2023-2024 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

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
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