

Notes from Mrs. Nash

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.

St. John Fisher School

November 1, 2019

Dear SJF Families,

What a fun week we had at SJF: Halloween activities, lessons, events and parties! Thank you to all of the parents who came in this week and volunteered their time to help facilitate such a fun Halloween week for our students; we love having you here! Also, thank you to our amazing SOAR students and moderators who created a week of nonstop, spooktacular fun for all of us! We ended our week at our all-school All Saints Mass hosted by our creative 6th graders and clapping out our Varsity Falcon Football Team to show our support and wish them well as they take on the Raiders of Most Holy Redeemer for the Gold Ball Championship Game. We know they will play hard and do their best to represent us on and off the field well. Let's Go Falcons! Below you will see the many happenings that took place this week. We are so blessed to be in this vibrant school community. St. John Fisher is a great place to be!

As always, thank you for your continued support of Catholic education, but specifically St. John Fisher.

In unity and hope,

-Mrs. Maura Nash

Important Announcements

- Gold Ball Championship Game: Cheer on the Varsity Football Team this upcoming Sunday, November 3rd at Marist High School at 2:30pm, as they take on the Raiders of Most Holy Redeemer. Let's Go Falcons!
- Thank you to all of you who participated in our annual pumpkin carving contest. Congratulations to our winner, Tessa Dowling & her mermaid tail!
- **FSA PARENT VOLUNTEER MEETING:** Please join us Tuesday 11/5 in Kane Hall @ 7pm as we begin to plan the Christmas Events
- VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION: Our Veterans Day Celebration will be on November 15th @ 1pm NOT, November 11th. St. John Fisher will be collecting money for a red, white and blue dress down day in support of the Honor Flight Organization. Our school-wide goal is \$1200, which would enable our school to sponsor one Veteran. Thank you for your support!
- FYI The first trimester ends November 15th. Parent-Teacher Conferences are November 25th & 26th. Stay tuned for the Parent-Teacher Conference Schedule which will be coming out next week.
- We invite and welcome your feedback. If you have a question regarding your child's education, please reach out directly to your son or daughter's teacher. If you need further support, contact Mrs. Larmon, clarmon@sjfschool.net, Mrs. Carey, ncarey@sjfschool.net, or Mrs. Nash mnash@sjfschool.net. We are so happy and grateful to partner with you in order to best serve your children!
- GOT MILK? Our milk only option is now available for you to order for the entire year.
- **Reminder please help keep our building safe!** All visitors, parents and guardians must enter the main doors off of 102nd and Washtenaw and sign in at the office. Thank you!

- **Don't forget to check your student's teacher blog** @ <u>www.sjfschool.net</u> for the latest and greatest information from your child's class. Feel free to reach out to your child's teacher with any questions or concerns!
- <u>Forgotten student items</u>: homework and lunches please partner with us and resist the urge to drop off your students' forgotten items at school as we continue to encourage independence and accountability. Thank you so much for your cooperation!

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| Friday, November 1 st | • All Saints Day, 1pm Mass |
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| Saturday, November 2 nd | Fall Fest ETC! 9-12 |
| Sunday, November 3 rd | Confirmation Enrollment Mass @ 10am - All are welcome! Please join us for Mass: 4pm on Saturday, 8, 10, 12 & 5:30 on Sunday GOLP BALL Football CHAMPIONSHIP GAME @ 2:30 @ Marist High School - Let's Go Falcons! |
| Monday, November 4 th | Basketball Evaluations @ Br. Rice |
| Tuesday, November 5 th | FSA Parent Volunteer Meeting @ 7pm in Kane Hall Academic Eligibility Study Hall 2:30-3:15 St. Rita Tutors on campus HSPT Test Prep 3-4pm Homework Club 2:30-3pm |
| Wednesday, November 6 th | Academic Eligibility Study Hall 2:30-3:15 St. Rita Tutors on campus HSPT Test Prep 3-4pm Homework Club 2:30-3pm |
| Thursday, November 7 th | Basketball Evaluation Callbacks at SJF in the Conner T. Lowry Gym Children's Choir Practice @ 3:45 |

Work Hard, Dream Big & Never Give Up...

Let's Go Falcons!







SJF's "Falcon of the Week" is 7th grader, Ryan Dooey.

This year, our school theme is "Fly Like a Falcon." At school, we are intentionally discussing what it means to be a falcon. Falcons soar above, capturing an aerial view of what is going on below. We are encouraging our school community to "soar above" things that might bring us down, not allowing us to be our best selves. We are on a school-wide crusade to "Fly Like a Falcon," lifting one another up, celebrating the positive interactions and kind behavior that our students demonstrate each and every day. This week Ryan Dooey was nominated to be our "Falcon of the Week". Ryan is one of our patrol guards and his most recent post was at

the kindergarten doors. Because being a patrol guard is a volunteer position, it can be difficult to find students who can commit to this important role throughout the year, but Ryan is always at his post on-time, with a smile and without fail. Last week Ryan told the kindergarten teachers that the kindergarteners are very good about getting into line and behaving, so he wondered if he could bring in a treat for them. He even asked if any of the kids had food allergies! Two days later Ryan showed up with treats for all of the kids. The students look up to Ryan and love being greeted by him every day. Thank you, Ryan, for being dependable and such a great role model for your peers and our little learners. Keep "Flying Like a Falcon," Ryan; you're making a difference!











Junior High Science Who Killed the Pumpkin?!

7th & 8th Grade Science

Ms. McAdrews' junior high science classes participated in a forensic science project this week, "Who Killed the Pumpkin?" The faculty (or criminals) participated by filling out a survey. The students then used the survey data that discussed physical attributes and likes and dislikes of the faculty and conducted interviews with their suspects to discover the criminal! It turned out it was Mrs. Foran, in Kane Hall, with the ruler.





ST. JOHN FISHER'S ANNUAL PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST















Sunday, November 3rd 10:00 a.m.

Time Change Sunday

Confirmation Enrollment Mass

We welcome all members of the Confirmation class of 2020 and their families to officially begin Confirmation preparation. The Confirmation Candidates will be introduced to the parish. Please sit in the reserved section close to the front. We look forward to seeing you there.

Let's Go Falcons!

St. John Fisher shows support for the Varsity Football Team by Clapping them Out to Victory!

SJF takes on MHR for the Gold Ball Championship this weekend!

WHERE: Marist High School

When: November 3rd @ 2:30pm

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LITTLE TYKES BASKETBALL 2020

SIGN UP ONLINE TODAY!

- Go to ckchicago.org
 - Click on School
- Go to Athletics Tab
- Click on Register for a Sport
- Go to Little Tykes Basketball Click here to register

REGISTRATION WILL BE OCT. 28 THROUGH DEC. 13, 2019

CHRIST THE KING GYM, 9235 S. HAMILTON

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