

October 16, 2016

From the Principal's Desk

ST. JOSEPH CARNIVAL - 24 DAYS AND COUNTING!

With less than a month before our annual Carnival begins, we are focusing on volunteers. It takes all of us working together to make this a successful event for our school and community. Our Carnival Committee has been meeting and working since last spring to prepare for this event. Regular Committee meetings started in July. These dedicated Committee members have committed many hours to organizing, getting city permits, scheduling entertainment, soliciting sponsors, and conducting all of the background work that an event of this magnitude requires.

We are now turning to all of our parents, grandparents, and parishioners to support this event as volunteers. With a four day event, there are many time periods to choose from that can meet all schedules. We need everyone's support as the Carnival dates draw near.

The chart below shows the sign up areas and the percentage of volunteer time slots filled as of today. Let's work together to achieve 100% in all areas before our Carnival pulls onto our grounds. Remember, an added benefit of volunteering is the opportunity to work with other families, make new friends, and get to know everyone who so generously supports our school.

Sign up to volunteer by going to our Carnival website at www.sjscarnival.org

Or....visit the school website and select the Volunteer Opportunities link

Or....visit the Parent Portal and choose the Volunteer Opportunities link

You can also visit the Sign Up directly at <http://bit.ly/2e9MvuS>

General Volunteer Areas		Classroom Volunteer Areas	
Setup Team	11%	Pre K 3 Class Booth	26%
Food	34%	Pre K 4 Class Booth	7%
Parking (Double Hours)	8%	Kindergarten Class Booth	43%
Soda and Water	50%	1st Grade Class Booth	24%
Prize Booth	60%	2nd Grade Class Booth	65%
Trash Pickup	0%	3rd Grade Class Booth	49%
Breakdown and Cleanup	0%	4th Grade Class Booth	47%
		5th Grade Class Booth	30%
		6th Grade Class Booth	9%
		7th Grade - Bingo	61%
		8th Grade - Spaghetti Dinner	41%

Help fill in the Volunteer activities and achieve 100%!

Living Rosary

October is the month of the Rosary. On Wednesday, October 19th, our students will be gathering in the courtyard at 2:00 pm to honor our Blessed Mother by praying the rosary together. Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us.

We will be creating a large, visual rosary from balloons and will need volunteers to help with setup. Volunteers will meet in the St. Joseph room at noon to help put the rosary together.

To volunteer, please use the link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44a4a72daaff2-living>



14th Annual Goblin Gathering at G.T. Bray Park Friday, October 21st

Manatee County Parks & Natural Resources Department is celebrating the 14th Annual Goblin Gathering at G.T. Bray Park on Friday, October 21st. St. Joseph Catholic School will have table and pass out treats for the families attending. This is a wonderful opportunity to share information about our upcoming carnival. Each bag will include a Carnival coupon and treats.

Our K-Kids have volunteered to stuff the bags on Tuesday after school. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event by helping in the park and/or donating candy for the treat bags.

Two large bags of candy count for one volunteer hour.



To volunteer for this event, please use the link:
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44a4a72daaff2-goblin>

If you are interested in attending the event, bring the whole family and join in the fun! A \$5 wristband is sold for children to participate in activities including bounce houses, face painting, haunted hay ride, an inflatable slide, and costume contest. Parental participation is free.

This Week's Sports Activities

Monday

3:00 -4:00 pm Cross Country practice
3:00 -4:55 pm Boys and Girls basketball practice

Tuesday

3:00 - 4:55 pm Boys and Girls basketball practice
3:00 - 4:15pm Little pros soccer Grades K - 2

Wednesday

Nothing

Thursday

Cross Country meet at Palmetto Charter
3:00 – 3:45 pm Boys and Girls basketball practice
3:00 – 4:15 pm Little pros soccer Grade 3 - 5

Friday

Flag football and Volleyball pictures will be rescheduled

CONGRATULATIONS to our coaches and all of our students who competed in last week's Cross Country meet held at St. Joseph Catholic School. The students completed a two-mile run!



After School Programs

Monday

Violin/Strings Class
3:00 – 3:45 pm in the Music Room
Legion of Mary (Grades 3 – 8)
3:00 – 4:00 pm (Meet in the Courtyard to go to the Parish Center)
Intermediate Guitar 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Church Choir Room
Garden Club (Grades 4 – 8)
3:00 – 4:00 pm
Grade 6 Math Help
3:00 – 4:00 pm

Tuesday

St. Joseph Honors Choir – Grades 4 to 8
3:00 – 3:45 pm Church Choir Room
K-Kids Meeting
3:00 pm – St. Joseph Room
Grade 7 Math Help
3:00 – 4:00 pm

Wednesday

Beginning Guitar – 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Church Choir Room

Thursday

Intermediate Guitar
3:00 – 4:00 pm
Grace Notes Choir (Grades K – 3)
3:00 – 3:45 pm
Grade 8 Math Help
3:00 – 4:00 pm

Friday

Odyssey of the Mind
3:00 – 4:00 pm St. Joseph Room

Odyssey of the Mind – Next Meeting, Friday at 3:00 pm

We held our first organizational meeting last Tuesday and had 28 students in attendance. We are grateful to Mr. John Sitterly, Dr. Maria Pardo, and Mrs. Krystyn Guilmette, who have volunteered to work with our teams. With a potential for four teams, we are looking for additional volunteers. If you are interested in supervising a team of 5 – 7 students, please contact the school office for more information.

Spirit Day and Pizza –Friday, October 21st

Safe Environment Class Saturday, October 22 at 9:00 am (Use the South Gate for Entry to the Campus)

This is a required class for all volunteers who work with children on our campus. Please attend if you plan to assist at school parties, attend field trips, serve as a coach, or assist with on campus events throughout the school year. There is no cost for this class. Please contact Dean Klabik to register.

HOT LUNCH MENU

17	18	19	20	21
Sesame Beef Asian Sesame Beef with Jasmine Rice Ginger Carrots Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Meatballs in Marinara Mashed Yukon Potatoes Sweet Peas Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Parmesan & Basil Pesto Penne Sweet Peas Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Chicken, Broccoli & Cheese Rice Bake Hawaiian Roll Corn & Pea Medley Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Spirit Day - Pizza Lunch

Soccer Challenge Awards Presented on October 12th

Dr. Estigarribia, represented the Knights of Columbus, and presented the official Soccer Challenge certificates and medals after Mass last Wednesday. Four of the students will be advancing to the Regional Soccer Challenge on Saturday, October 22nd, at St. Andrew Parish located in Cape Coral.

Best of luck to our regional competitors:

Oliivia O'Connor
Joey Colonnese
Jonah Timmons
Sarah Verdelia



Family Nights – Save the Dates Buffalo Wings on November 2nd

Mrs. Hussey has been working with several area restaurants to plan Family Nights for our SJCS parents, friends, and supporters. These events will allow us to share together as a school community, and a percentage of sales will be returned to support our school.

Our first Family Night will be held at Buffalo Wings on November 2nd. A copy of the information flyer is attached. A print copy, as well as tickets will be sent home to each family this week. Share the tickets with family and friends and contact the school office if more are needed. Buffalo Wings does require the ticket for the discount to be applied.

Other Family Nights will include:

Chick Fil A	Wednesday, December 7th
Carrabba's	Wednesday, January 18 th
Applebee's	Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, February 4 th
Tijuana Flats	Wednesday, February 22 nd
Marco's Pizza	Thursday, March 23 rd

(We are also working on securing a date for Chuck E Cheese)



Practicing What She Teaches

Congratulations to Coach Krysa Kolbe, who partnered with Deirdre Carmichael (2nd grade teacher at Williams Elementary), and competed in the recent Crossfit Competition, the Festivus Games. Their team finished fourth out of nine competitive teams. Great work, Coach Kolbe!



Sponsored by Discovery Education:

Vote for St. Joseph Catholic School to Win a Trip for five students to the Presidential Inauguration Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C on January 18-22!

Discovery Education and Envision's "Champions for Change Contest" is sending three Student & Teacher delegations to witness history in Washington, D.C. this January! Envision is bringing students and teachers together to make an impact on their future at the **Presidential Inauguration Leadership Summit**, January 18-22 in D.C. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for a teacher and five students to represent our school among future leaders.

Vote for St. Joseph School daily, now through November 15!

As a Summit Delegate, our students will be inspired by world-renowned speakers! Speakers include:

- Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, **Malala Yousafzai**
- Academy Award Winner and Influencer, **Spike Lee**
- International Soccer Star and Advocate, **Abby Wambach**

Vote for our school daily to earn extra entries.

VOTE FOR ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL:

<http://contest.chasethefaceinschool.com/contests/ref/18bfa56a21bb3b9e44f495fccd182ae2>