

December 11, 2019

Dear Parents,

OTIS SPUNKMEYER COOKIE DOUGH PICK UP TODAY! This is a reminder that Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie pick up is today, Wednesday, December 11, 2019 from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Bennett Building, FFH. Please bring your order summary with you. Items are frozen and must be stored in the freezer so all items **MUST** be picked up on Wednesday prior to 6:30. We do not have room to store the cookies, so we ask that everyone makes arrangements to pick up their orders in a timely fashion. Thank you for your support!

SCHOOL RE-REGISTRATION -- We are over 42% re-registered for next year! There is a \$50 registration fee per family due. After January 31, 2020 re-registration will be raised to \$125. Re-Register as soon as possible! Note: registration fees are non-refundable. See Re-registration form [here](#) .

THE ST. JANE CATHOLIC FOOTBALL LEAGUE UPDATE: The race for the Superbowl Re-Registration is in the 4th week! We have a three-way tie for 1st place: The “Miami Dolphins” (1B); “Washington Redskins” (2A) and the “New Orleans Saints” (3A). In second place, we have the “NY Giants” (1A) and the “Seattle Seahawks” (2B). In third place “New England Patriots” (6B), “Pittsburgh Steelers” (7B) and the “San Francisco 49ers” (K-2). Great job “teams”! Keep it up and get your re-registration in today!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA - For those who sent in order forms for the Breakfast with Santa at Notre Dame High School this Sunday, 12/15, your tickets will be waiting for you at the front door. Tickets will also be sold at the door for those who did not preorder. Hope to see you there! See flyer [here](#) .

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS 6:00 P.M. - If you and your family are planning to attend the 6:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve, I am in need of 4 to 6 volunteers to hand out small ornaments after the Mass. I know many of you are in Choir, so if you are able to help me out, I would greatly appreciate. It doesn't take long. We stay to everyone exits the church or all the ornaments are gone. I will be there with my family! Thank you for your support!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SELL GIFT CARDS BEFORE AND AFTER WEEKEND MASSES - The church has asked me to reach out to our school families for volunteers as substitute gift card sellers at all Masses. The gift certificate program is a 100% benefit to our school. The proceeds collected are used toward our parish subsidy which helps keep our tuition costs low. If you can volunteer as a substitute, please contact Beth Grandinetti at 610-253-3553 or bgrandinetti@rcn.com. Thank you!

MIDDLE STATES ASSOCIATION RE-ACCREDITATION VISIT RESULTS! We had a very successful visit from the Middle States Association from December 3rd through December 6th. On Friday, December 6, 2019, we were recommended for full re-accreditation! The team shared with us a synopsis of their visit:

“You are to be commended for your students being so candid and honest when we interviewed them. They had great insights as to their education needs. They love the Chromebook and indicated that they are able to participate in a variety of after school activities. They expressed seriously the positives and what they would like to see changed in their school which highlights their problem-solving skills.

The strong Catholic identity is felt throughout the school. Statues and religious articles are present everywhere. Each classroom had a prayer table and statues. The academic day begins with prayer. Parents stated that the Catholic atmosphere is strong and adds to the program that they want for the children. Teachers reported that they are able to model their faith and use religious practices to address students’ behavior.

The mission statement is well worded in easy to understand vocabulary. The mission of the school promotes a learning and religious climate that is necessary to maximize the religious education. It is one that is truly followed and not just words without meaning.

The faculty and staff at St. Jane Frances de Chantal School are professional and dedicated. They are committed to educating the students academically and spiritually. They demonstrate collaboration and care across all grade levels. The teachers reflect the mission of the school encouraging each child to achieve his or her potential through a devotion to Christ and His teachings within a challenging and diverse curriculum.

Mrs. Okula, Principal of St. Jane Frances de Chantal School, provides leadership in all areas of school life. She greets students outside each morning as they arrive. Mrs. Okula knows all of her students by name and assists parents who are coming to school as well.

During the school day Mrs. Okula is present in both buildings on the St. Jane School campus. She provides leadership to her staff as an instructional and managerial leader. Mrs. Okula also interacts with parish staff including the finance office, various parish committee and the pastor.

Mrs. Okula is dedicated to the success of St. Jane School and has a dynamic leadership style.”

Thank you all for your prayers and support during this challenging and exciting process!

IMPORTANT DATES IN DECEMBER

Wednesday, Dec. 11

Band Concert 7:00 p.m. in IHM Chapel

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form with you.

Cookie dough pick up in FFH 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Bring your order

Thursday, Dec. 12

8:15 a.m. Advent Prayer Service

9:00 a.m. Confessions

Friday, Dec. 13

Christmas Concert K-3 in Hartley Avenue Church at 6:30 p.m.

Rehearsals during the day.

Please arrive before 6:15 p.m.

See permission slip here (for Kindergarten, Grades 1, 2 and 3)

Sunday, Dec. 15

Breakfast with Santa -- Notre Dame High School. See flyer [here](#) .

Thursday, Dec. 19

8:15 a.m. Mass

Friday, Dec. 20

K-8 DISMISSAL 11:00 a.m.

Christmas vacation begins! See you January 2, 2020!

Looking ahead to January 2020...

Thursday, January 2

School Open

Friday, January 3

School Open

Wednesday, January 8

Home and School Executive Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Home and School Committee Chair Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 9

8:15 a.m. Mass NJHS Installation (7th Graders)

Pretzel Day

Sunday, January 12

**St. Jane Spirit Night Lehigh Valley Phantoms 3:00 p.m. Singing
God Bless America before game 2:05 p.m. See flyer [here](#)**

Thursday, January 16

8:15 a.m. Mass

Pretzel Day

Monday, January 19

Martin Luther King Jr. Day - School Closed

Teacher Local In-service Day

Wednesday, January 22

Mid-Trimester Progress Reports go home today.

Thursday, January 23

8:15 a.m. Mass

Pretzel Day

Friday, January 24

St. Jane Social at blue --- SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, January 26

Catholic Schools Week begins. Schedule TBD.

Opening Mass at main church 10:30 a.m.

Indoor Carnival 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Open House 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Band Concert 1:00 p.m.

Scholastic Book Fair 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Monday, January 27

Food Collection and Dance-a-thon for St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, January 28

8:15 a.m. 5th Grade Vocabulary Parade

Open House 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Religion Bee for Grades 1 and 2 @1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 29

Proud to be a Janer Day!

Thursday, January 30

National Geographic Geography Bee 8:00 a.m. (Grades 4-8)

Religion Bee Grades 3 and 4 @11:00 a.m.

Open House 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Friday, January 31

****Full Day of School****

8:15 a.m. Closing Mass of Catholic Schools Week.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marybeth Okula