

**February 5, 2020**

**Dear Parents,**

**I just want to thank everyone for your support of me and our school. The last two weeks have been very exciting -- Lion King Jr. and Catholic Schools Week were a lot of fun. I appreciate everyone volunteering and helping out where needed. The children really enjoyed the experience of Lion King Jr. and Catholic Schools week was filled with lots of fun activities -- but I know the students really enjoyed the ice cream during their lunch last week! So thank you to all, for all you do to support Catholic education! Without your support, I couldn't do what I do! God Bless you all!**

**\*\*\*SCIENCE EXPLORERS - PLEASE NOTE: Make Some Noise program is cancelled due to low enrollment (it was scheduled to begin on Tuesday, 2/11/2020). \*\*\***

**LOST AND FOUND - The Lost and Found area at St. Jane School is growing daily. We have white Adidas sneakers with pink stripes, coats, sweatshirts, many gloves, many socks, two lunch boxes, etc. I can't believe no one is missing them! Also, I strongly encourage you to put names on everything... Please look through your things to see what you may be missing. We may have it! The items will be donated on Saturday with the collected food to the St. Vincent de Paul food bank. (They also collect clothing items.) Thank you for your attention to this matter.**

**IT'S JUST NOT JOKING AROUND - New York Times bestselling author, survivor, and celebrated anti-bullying activist Jodee Blanco will be giving a free seminar open to the public on school bullying survival and prevention for parents and children, sponsored by St. Jane School and Our Lady of Perpetual Help School on Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Marian Inn, Our Lady Perpetual School/Church.**

**The seminar will include a 90-minute workshop featuring Jodee's compelling personal story of her struggle from fifth grade through high school as the target of severe school bullying. She will share what her parents and teachers did that helped, what didn't and why, as well as offer similar insights from the tens of thousands of bullied students she has worked with across the nation. The workshop will also include specific, practical advice on how to intervene if a child is the victim, bully or bystander, from the rare point of view of someone who's actually lived through it and now dedicated her life to helping others. In addition, Jodee will address the plight of the "adult survivor of peer abuse" and offer suggestions on how to overcome those open wounds from the past.**

**If you are an educator, parent, student or someone still coping with painful memories of peer abuse, this is a seminar you won't want to miss. At the conclusion of the presentation Jodee will sign copies of her New York Times best-seller Please Stop Laughing at Me...**

**I encourage you to attend for what promises to be a meaningful, moving and informative evening. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.**

**Students in Grades 5 to 8 will be attending the seminar during the school day on Thursday, February 6, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Faculty are attending the seminar the same day from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.**

**HAWKWALK 2020! Letter writing day is 3 weeks away. To get started, the children will be writing letters during school hours on Thursday, February 27th asking friends and family to sponsor them for the HawkWalk which will take place on Friday, April 24th. In order to accomplish this, we need each student to fill in the names and addresses of 10 or more friends or family members on the enclosed [sponsor sign-up sheet](#) (Think of your Christmas list: family, friends, neighbors, etc.) These addresses can be out of town, out of state, or anyone you feel will help your child succeed in this fundraiser! (\*\* Please**

**note : If you have 3 children, you do not need to have 30 different addresses. All 3 children may send a letter to the same person. For example, the same aunt can be listed on all 3 lists - BUT ALL CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE 10 NAMES AND ADDRESSES ON THEIR OWN LIST.) Also note that any student who brings 15 or more addresses to school will receive a NUT (No Uniform Today) card to be used any Friday for the rest of the year! Please support this fundraiser. At St. Jane School, the HawkWalk is our only fundraiser that assists the school with major projects -- this year we are earmarking the monies for the playground enhancements, school furniture for our primary grades and technology upgrades. Copies are available and are also included in the weekly e-communication on the website. DON'T FORGET TO SEND IN YOUR STAMPS!**

**CALENDAR UPDATE: I don't want to jinx myself, but I have built in 6 snow days this year, and the groundhog is saying early spring, but the last couple of years, we've seen many snow days in February and March. Diocesan policy dictates that final calendar changes are made on April 1st. I just wanted to let you know since many are asking.**

**REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021 - Update: ½ Day preschool is full! There are openings for full-day Preschool. Kindergarten still has some openings. 6th, 7th and 8th grades for next year are full. We have plenty of openings in 2nd and 4th grade. If you know of anyone looking for a quality Catholic education, send them to St. Jane School. They will not be disappointed!**

#### **IMPORTANT DATES FEBRUARY . . .**

**Wednesday, February 5**

**2:15 p.m. Choir Practice**

**2:15 p.m Faculty Meeting**

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

**Thursday, February 6**

**Pretzel Day**

**9:30 a.m. It's Just Not Joking Around Seminar Grades 5-8**

**2:10 p.m. Living Stations Rehearsals and Choir**

**3:30 p.m. It's Just Not Joking Around Seminar Faculty**

**6:30 p.m It's Just Not Joking Around Seminar Parents and children**

**See letter here about this seminar**

**7:00 p.m. 1st Reconciliation at Main Church**

**Friday, February 7**

**6:30 p.m. Father Daughter Dance. Buy tickets here.**

**Father Daughter Dance Photos Order form here.**

**Thursday, February 13**

**Pretzel Day**

**Administrator Development Day**

**2:10 p.m. Living Stations Rehearsals and Choir**

**Monday, February 17**

**President's Day - School Closed**

**Wednesday, February 19**

**Liturgical Choir Practice**

**Thursday, February 20**

**Pretzel Day**

**2:10 p.m. Living Stations Rehearsals and Choir**

**Tuesday, February 25**  
flyer [here](#) .

**Fastnacht Day - Everyone will get a fastnacht from Valley Farms\* See**

**\* students with allergies please note.**

**Wednesday, February 26**

**8:15 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass**

**Thursday, February 27**

**HAWKWALK LETTER WRITING DAY!**

**2:10 p.m. Living Stations Rehearsals and Choir**

**Friday, February 28**

**Knight of Columbus Fish Fry 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. -- See flyer here.**

**Sincerely,**

**Mrs. Marybeth Okula**