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February 5, 2021 Weekly Update

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February 5, 2021**Dear Parents,**

I'm so glad we survived the "Snowmageddon 2021"! We had unprecedented amounts of snow. I'm happy we had a plan that provided continuity of education. It appears that some students have not logged in to complete any of the work assigned this week. Please note, it **MUST** to be completed by the time we return to school on Monday, February 8, 2021 -- **NO EXCEPTIONS!** If there were any issues, please make me aware of it. As of today, I have not heard from one parent saying there were issues with the work, computers, internet, etc. I know all of my teachers were available to help via zoom on Monday, Thursday and Friday. The children will be graded for this work.

NOTE: A flex day COUNTS as a school day, therefore, the work MUST be completed as best as your child can do. I will be following up with the specific students that did not complete assignments and they can stay with me after school next week to make up the work.

Believe it or not, next Thursday, February 11, 2021 is the **100th day of school!** It's a miracle that we have not had to close one day due to COVID outbreak! Obviously, I cannot control the weather, but I am so happy that we have reached this milestone. Please continue to follow the health and safety protocols. Know that Mr. Dicker and I are available by email (principal@stjaneschool.com and deanofstudents@stjaneschool.com) or by phone at 610-253-8442 to consult our school health team as needed. If your family is experiencing any of the following scenarios, I ask you to please reach out to me as soon as possible:

- Your child was exposed to a positive case of COVID-19
- Your child tested positive for COVID-19
- A household member tested positive for COVID-19
- Your child experienced symptoms of illness (See Daily Symptom Monitoring guidelines [HERE](#)).

100th Day Festivities are usually held in kindergarten to second grade. Your child's teachers will be contacting you regarding what is happening in the classroom on February 11, 2021.

Valentine's Day will be celebrated on Friday, February 12, 2021. Because we had **NO COVID** cases spread the week of February 1, 2021, we will celebrate with a "Valentine" themed casual day (dress in your favorite Valentine colors -- reds, pinks, purples, hearts). As always, please follow our casual day guidelines from the handbook. **NO RIPPED JEANS PLEASE!!**

There are **NO formal parties** in the classrooms for Valentine's Day. Children may hand out a valentine to their classmates, but everyone in the class needs to get one (no exclusions). I don't want anyone to get their feelings hurt. No "extra" valentines may be given in class, no matter what (or how much you like someone)! It's just not appropriate in the school setting.

I have asked the teachers to reach out to their room parent to see if they could arrange for one pre-packaged snack for the whole class to enjoy. There is no need for any parents to come into the classrooms OR send in extra treats for this event. (We continue to follow all the COVID restrictions, therefore we want to limit the amount of people in our school. We are extremely grateful to our lunch monitors who give our teachers their much needed break daily.) Kindergarten to 2nd grade may have a more extended valentine exchange with maybe a movie or a craft, but grades 3 to 8 -- do not have time to party, just a snack, and back to work. I am sharing what is written in the school's handbook:

"PARTIES as defined in our School Handbook: With the exception of Christmas, parties during the school day are not permitted for the third through eighth grades. On special occasions a treat may be given during the LUNCH or SNACK period. Kindergarten through second grade parties are at the discretion of the teacher. No child's birthday may be celebrated during school time; however, a treat for the class may be sent in for snack or lunchtime. Please notify the teacher at least one day in advance. Invitations to home parties may be given out in school only if the whole class or gender is invited. Gifts from parents and friends may not be sent to the classroom during the school day. "

Catholic Schools Week - Most of the events have moved to next week with a few adjustments. Please review the schedule below. The most important event is our service to the St. Vincent de Paul Society -- with the food collection. Please see the attached [LETTER](#) and please consider sending in food products on the list by next week.

HAWKWALK 2021! The children will be writing letters during school hours beginning on Monday, March 1st asking friends and family to sponsor them for the HawkWalk which will take place the week of April 26th. To get started, we need each student to fill in the names and addresses of 10 or more friends or family members on the enclosed [SPONSOR 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.) NOTE: Any student who submits 15 or more addresses will receive extra Tricky Tray tickets!

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 a new playground including a fence, LED lighting for our school gym, additional chromebooks, new SMARTboards and new projectors for our classrooms.. Students will be bringing home copies of the letters, sponsor sheet and labels on Wednesday, February 10, 2021.

See the family letter of explanation [HERE](#) and reach out if you need further clarification. We are asking for 100% participation in this fundraiser!

*****REGISTRATION***** for Pre-K and Kindergarten and grades 1 to 7 is underway. If you have a member of your family (or friends) that would like to tour our school or register for the 2021-2022 school year, please have them contact me immediately at principal@stjaneschool.com We are limited on seating and will most likely have a waiting list for some grades. Thank you!

*****CYO SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION***:** Please see attached [FLYER](#) and register for Spring Sports. NOTE: REGISTRATION HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO FEBRUARY 15, 2021 -- Don't delay and sign up! Thank you.

VIRTUAL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - So we gave this a try and it's not going well. We have sold over \$5,000 in scholastic books in the past and as of today, are at \$1,271. If you have time, please visit our website below.

Fair Dates: January 28, 2021 to February 11, 2021

Virtual Store: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stjaneschool>

The Scholastic Book Fair is back! While the Fair will be exclusively held online this year, we still plan on making it a fun and joyous experience for our kids. Our customized St. Jane School homepage features:

- A fully Virtual Fair so you and your kids can experience the magic of the school shopping experience. Browse over 200 titles by grade, meet popular authors, and discover the comfort and joy of our Fair
- Direct access to over 6,000 additional titles with family-friendly prices, at the Scholastic online store
- Every dollar you spend will benefit our school directly (25% back in rewards!)

GIFT CARDS: Gift cards are available for purchase at the school. Here is the complete [LIST](#) of our gift cards. We really appreciate the advanced notice of your request, especially if you need cards we don't have in stock, we can request from the church. Please email me at principal@stjaneschool.com, Mrs. Korp at secretary@stjaneschool.com and Mrs. Cahill at assistsec@stjaneschool.com and we can have them ready for you to pick up or to send home with your child by the end of the day. Each family has a \$4,000 gift card obligation or a \$210 buyout NO later than March 31, 2021. Please call the office for additional information.

HOT LUNCH: Please make sure you are prepared for the week for lunches by pre-ordering the food **BY SUNDAY EVENINGS!** They CANNOT honor orders that come in after Sunday evening. <https://ndcrusaders.nutrislice.com/menu/st-jane-frances/lunch/2021-01-20>

^^^^EXTENDED CARE^^^^ Please complete the attached Google form for Extended Care Reservations for the week of February 8, 2021. **IF YOU DID NOT MAKE A RESERVATION ON THE COMPUTER, PLEASE GIVE US THE COURTESY OF LETTING US KNOW YOUR CHILD IS STAYING IN EXTENDED CARE.** Remember, we continue to follow our Health and Safety Protocols after school too. We observe social distancing and mask wearing, not sharing of food or materials, etc. We also have a limit on how many students are in the room, therefore, we appreciate the courtesy of a phone call if plans change. Thank you. Reservation Form can be found on the homepage of our webpage www.stjaneschool.com (please add the date on the days you will be attending Extended care). Here is the link to the reservation form: <https://forms.gle/pxjFgSxa3UbeAvZJ6>

Important FEBRUARY Dates

February 10, 2021

Wear your green and gold - Show your school spirit!

9:00 a.m. 5th Grade Vocabulary Parade (FB and Zoom)

Dine to Donate - Keystone Pub. SEE [FLYER](#) .

HawkWalk Labels and sponsor sheets will be coming home today.

February 11, 2021

LAST DAY FOR THE Virtual Scholastic Book Fair

LAST DAY FOR HELP THE HOMELESS FOOD COLLECTION

100th Day of School!

Donate to St. Vincent de Paul - \$1 for a NUT card in March (up to 5).

8:00 a.m. Geography Bee (FB and Zoom)

11:00 a.m. Religion Bee Grades 1 and 2 (FB and Zoom)

1:00 p.m. Religion Bee Grades 3 and 4

Shout Out Compliments to our healthcare workers and first responders

February 12, 2021

Philly Pretzel Dine to Donate from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. See flyer [HERE](#)

February 15, 2021

President's Day - School Closed

February 17, 2021

Ash Wednesday 8:15 a.m. Mass -- will be zoomed into all classrooms.

No ashes will be distributed.

February 25, 2021

Catholic Charities Casual Day \$1

Pray, Hope, Don't Worry! St. Padre Pio

Mrs. Okula

Important Attachments for 2-5-21:

1. **Daily Symptom Monitoring**
2. [COVID-19 Incubation Timeline](#)
3. [SCHOOL POLICIES IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER](#)
4. [CYO Spring Sports Registration due by 2/15/21](#)
5. [HELP THE HUNGRY AND HOMELESS](#)
6. [Catholic Schools Week Dine to Donate - Keystone Pub 2-10-21](#)
7. [PHILLY PRETZEL FACTORY DINE TO DONATE 2-12-21](#)
8. [LATE WORK POLICY](#)

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