FALCON NEWS

PRINCIPAL, CLAYTON COBB
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, KATHERINE SUCKLE

Dear St. Joseph Families,

As we begin the 2023-24 school year, I remind everyone that this is the month where we focus on the virtue of kindness. Please, take time to read the following page with your child. Maybe do so once a week. It is important that our children have a clear understanding of what it means to be kind to others, to live a life of virtue, and to imitate the teachings of Christ. Yes, I realize it is the job of a school to instruct children. I do want to remind you that it is the job of every parent to take the leadership role in this with their own children.
Ask your kids what they are learning. Ask them what they are reading about. Ask them something they heard at Mass that week. Ask them how things are going with classmates. If you ever get a simple answer like, "Yeah, its fine." or "I'm ok." You have the right as a parent to pry. Maybe they don't have much to say. Maybe they're tired from these long August days. Still, there maybe something else happening. Maybe they're going through something tough. Maybe they're not experiencing virtue from others. It may be that they do not know how to handle a situation. You never know until you speak with your child. Please know that each and every teacher here wishes to support you. Many of us are parents too and know how critical these days are. We must partner together to ensure that virtues such as kindness are lived out everyday. Thank you for your commitment to excellence in such a manner and thank you for allowing us to partner with you on this matter. May God bless our children, the students of SJS, everyday. St. Joseph, pray for us.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

TUE, 8/15
8:15 AM Holy Day of Obligation for the Feast of the Assumption- Mass attended by grades K5-8 (parents are welcome to attend with us!)
6:00 PM PTO Meeting in the Library

FRI, 8/18
SPIRIT SHIRT DAY- wear any SJS spirit shirt with uniform bottoms (may be worn over or under jumpers)

WED, 8/23
6PM Back to School Night
for grades 1-8 (begins in school gym)

TUE, 8/29
Yearbook Photos
6PM Parent Tech Night in Gym

WED, 8/30
8:15 AMSJS Balloon Rosary in lieu of Mass

IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE A FALCON!

Virtue of Kindness

St. Martin de Porres

DEFINITION:
EXPRESSING GENUINE CONCERN ABOUT THE WELL-BEING OF OTHERS; ANTICIPATING THEIR NEEDS

KINDNESS PRAYER:
DEAR JESUS, YOU ARE KINDNESS ITSELF. I DESIRE TO SHOW CHARITY TOWARD MY NEIGHBOR THROUGH MY THOUGHTS, WORDS, AND ACTIONS. WHEN OTHERS MEET ME, LET THEM MEET YOU IN ME!

LOOKS LIKE:
CARRYING BAGS FOR SOMEONE

SOUNDS LIKE:
DO YOU NEED ANY HELP?

FEAST: NOV. 3

MARTIN GREW UP VERY POOR IN PERU IN THE 16TH CENTURY. HE BECAME A BROTHER IN THE DOMINICAN MONASTERY. HE TOOK CARE OF ANIMALS AS WELL AS THE COOKING AND MANUAL LABOR. EVERYONE IN THE CITY LOVED HIM BECAUSE OF HIS KINDNESS, ESPECIALLY TO THE POOR. HE SAVED NOVICES FROM GETTING IN TROUBLE AND TOOK CARE OF THE SICK AND THE POOR.

ST. JOSEPH
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PTO MEETING

AUGUST 15TH 6PM LIBRARY

TOMORROW

ST. JOSEPH
CATHOLIC SCHOOL
FALCON MERCHANDISE

$15 - SPIRIT SHIRTS (TODDLER TO 4XL)
$30 - SWIG 22 OZ TWO SJS LOGO TUMBLER
$8 - FOR ONE OR TWO/$15 PURA VIDA BRACELET
$10 - ST. JOSEPH PRAY FOR US KEY CHAIN
$5 - SJS YARD SIGN

$25 - NAVY HAT EMBROIDERED SNAPBACK MESH - BLOCK NAME (A)
$25 - NAVY HAT EMBROIDERED SNAPBACK MESH - CIRCLE NAME (B)
$25 - GREEN TRUCKER HAT SNAPBACK - SJS NAVY (C)
$2 - SJS FALCON DECAL STICKER
$3 - SJS CREST CAR MAGNET

SPIRIT SHIRTS AVAILABLE - ALL SALES ARE NOW **ONLY ONLINE!**
BUY AND YOU WILL BE CONTACTED WHEN THEY ARE READY FOR PICK UP
ALL OTHER MERCH WILL BE SOLD AS PRE SALE & PTO WILL SCHEDULE A PICK UP DAY

DEAR MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH PARENTS,

We are so excited to be taking this semester to journey with your sons and daughters! We will be having a Parents meeting on August 26th, at the Carpenter Coffeehouse at 5:15. The address is 228 Patton Ave. Please pray for us as we know the Lord has great things in store as we walk together and we can't wait to start. As a quick reminder we will be meeting from 4:00-5:30 each week unless otherwise noted. I look forward to having a great Fall Semester with your sons and daughters! If you would like to sign up for text reminders and emails with information such as how to sign up for Beyond the Limits text MSYG to 84576. If you have any questions, comments or concerns at any point, please feel free to reach out at any time.

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YOUTH NIGHTS FOR THE FALL SEMESTER

Aug. 26th: Parents Meeting @Carpenter Coffeehouse 5:15

Sept. 10th: Kick-off Game/Community Night

Sept. 24th: First Night of Fall Series

Sept. 30th: Gather West @ St. Jude, 6-9:30

Oct. 8th: Second Night of Fall Series

Oct. 22nd: Third Night of Fall Series

Nov. 5th: Fourth Night of Fall Series

Nov. 19th: Fifth Night of Fall Series

Dec. 2nd-3rd: Beyond the Limits in Alexandria

Dec. 10th: Advent/End of the Year Party

Adoration: