



St. Joseph School
Learners Today, Leaders Tomorrow

A National Blue Ribbon School
June 17, 2017

Building God's House

Catholic Identity

Deacon Henry asked the students again this year to bring him a bulletin from the church where they attend Mass while on vacation. Students should write their name on the bulletin and submit it to the parish office or they may bring it to school on August 16th.

Staff Changes

Mary Beth Endicott will join our staff as an additional Academic Support Teacher two days per week. Mary Beth previously taught here and will concentrate mostly on assisting junior high students with math, reading, and writing.

Adam Schmidt who has a degree in art education will join us as a part time art teacher. He will teach art once a month to our students in kindergarten-eighth grade and will also moderate our junior high art club.

Some of the proceeds from the Cavalier Call gave us the opportunity to hire Mrs. Endicott and Mr. Schmidt.

Terra Nova Tests

We have not yet received the results of the Terra Nova Tests that were administered in April. Apparently the testing company contracted with a different company to score the tests, and this is taking much longer than expected. The diocese has been in contact with the Terra Nova representatives, but at this time we have not received any information as to when we might expect to receive the results.

CCH Math

The Terra Nova math results are used to determine the eighth grade students who will be invited to attend the Algebra I Honors class. However, since we do not have the results, no announcement may be made at this time.

Restroom Renovations

The demolition of the student restrooms in the main building began the day after school dismissed. You can see some pictures of the project on the school Facebook page. Construction is proceeding on time, and the plan is that the restrooms will be completed by the start of school. This is a very exciting project, and we are extremely grateful to the donor who is funding it.

Summer Reading and Math

All Students should be working on their summer reading books and their Summer Solutions Math books. The 3rd, 4th & 5th graders will be taking AR tests on their books when they return to

school in August. Students in grade 6-8 may take their tests on the following days during the summer in the SJS Computer Lab: Monday, July 10 from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. and/or Monday, July 24 from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. (**These Summer Dates are for Grades 6, 7, & 8 only.**)

New Students

Welcome to our new students and their parents! Our newsletter can always be found on our website, but we also send it via email. After this newsletter, you will not receive another Newsletter until Mid-July as we prepare for the opening of school. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school office at 859-578-2742 or email me at cstover@sjscrescent.org.

Great Opportunity

Have you ever wished to enjoy a peaceful, sun filled respite from the hassles of daily life? I have the perfect solution and it comes at no cost, but offers a great sense of satisfaction! I am looking for some individuals, families, scout troop, etc. to help keep our flower beds looking nice. It would only require a once a month tweaking to keep them looking beautiful. A particular flower bed would be assigned to one or two families to weed during the growing season – no work needed in the winter. If I had enough people, then your job might only occur every other month. Please give this some thought. I have weeded several beds, and if the work is done on a regular basis, most beds can be completed in one hour or less. Please contact me at school if you can help out.

Beginning of School – Family Packet Pickup – August 9, 2017

While it seems too soon to be thinking about this, school will begin before you know it. On Tuesday, August 9th from 9 a.m. – 12 noon or 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. you will be able to stop by the school office and pick up your family packets and purchase any supplies that must come from the school such as bibles and first grade satchels as well as sign up for working in the cafeteria.

Students Grade K – 8

The first day of school for students in grades K-8 will be on Wednesday, August 16th. There will be noon dismissal on the first day of school. Parents will need to provide transportation for their students from August 16th through August 22 as Kenton County does not begin school until August 23rd. (Maps regarding Private Transportation will be included in the Family Packet) Buses will begin transporting students to school effective Wednesday, August 23.

Kindergarten Meet and Greet

There will be a special Kindergarten “Meet and Greet” on Saturday, August 12th, from 9 – 11 a.m. Parents and Students are welcome to come and become familiar with their classrooms and teachers. Parents may also bring in the students’ supplies at this time. We ask you to tour the classrooms and meet the teachers between 9-10 a.m. Please join us at the Crescent Springs Park (located on Buttermilk Pike across from the Fire House and the Rainbow Child Care Center) from 10 – 11 a.m. for an opportunity for the students to play and for the kindergarten parents to meet each other.

Grades K – 8 Parent Orientations

The Parent Orientation for grades K – 8 will occur on Thursday, August 24th at 7 p.m. A Junior High session will begin at 6:00 p.m. the same evening in the school and then parents will attend the general information session at 7 p.m. in church. Parents of students in grades K – 5 will meet their students’ teachers after the information session in Church.

Preschool Students

There will be an orientation night for the 4 year old preschool parents on Wednesday, August 30 at 7 p.m. in the Faith Community Center in the school. There will be an orientation night for the 3 year old parents on Thursday, August 31st at 7 p.m. in the Faith Community Center in the school. **Both of these orientations are for parents only.** On Friday, September 1st, there will be an open house for the preschool students and their parents from 10 a.m. – noon. Supplies may be brought to the classroom at this time.

Preschool will begin on Tuesday, September 5th for the three year olds and on Wednesday, September 6th for the 4 year olds at 9 a.m. Preschool 3 students are dismissed at 12 noon and Preschool 4 students dismiss at 1 p.m.

Graduation – Class of 2017

Congratulations to our 37 young men and women who successfully completed their studies and will now be moving on to high school. We will miss your leadership and camaraderie.

Congratulations and God bless our 2017 Awesome Grads!

- Congratulations to Abbie Coker and Niko Papakirk, recipients of this year's St. Joseph School Athletics and Activities Association 8th Grade Scholarships
- Congratulations to Drew Burke and Ceceilagh Pitstick, recipients of this year's Holy Name Scholarships.
- Congratulations to Ava Stansel, recipient of the Beatitudes Scholarship, sponsored by the Robert Beck Family.
- Congratulations to Amelia Coomes and Ceceilagh Pitstick, who were awarded the Academic Excellence Scholarship to Notre Dame Academy.
- Congratulations to Amelia Coomes, Ceceilagh Pitstick and Hayley Jansen, who were awarded the Sister Mary Agnetis Scholarship to Notre Dame Academy
- Congratulations to Abbie Coker, Zach Serra and Teresa Pope, who were awarded the Dr. Edward P. and Mrs. Mary Klein Smith Academic Scholarship to Saint Henry District High School.
- Congratulations to Niko Papakirk and Michael Engelman, who were awarded a Villa Madonna Academic Scholarship to Villa Madonna Academy.
- Congratulations to Jack Bell and Zach Serra, who were awarded scholarships from the Aubrey Rose Foundation.

St. Joseph Athletic and Activities 7th Grade Scholarships

Congratulations to Dinithi Fernando and David Schaefer, the recipients of the Saint Joseph Athletics and Activities Association 7th Grade Scholarships.

2016-2017 Scholar Athletes

Congratulations to the following Scholar Athletes:

- 4th Grade – Lauren Ott and Bradyen Remke
- 5th Grade – Emi Scott and Tommy Wenning
- 6th Grade – Caroline Boehmer and Matthew Voet
- 7th Grade – Dinithi Fernando and Jacob Finley
- 8th Grade – Hayley Jansen and Niko Papakirk

SJSAAA 7th Grade Boys Scholar Athlete

There was an error in the determination of the 7th Grade Boys Scholar Athlete Award that was presented at the Honors Assembly on the last day of school. The award should have been given to Jacob Finley. The SJSAAA Board apologizes for this oversight and a plaque will be given to Jacob as soon as possible.

Medical Forms – Due Prior to the Start of School

Medical Reminders will be sent by July 1st to Parents of students whose medical files need to be updated during the summer. Students who will be entering grade 6 are required to have had a medical exam within one year prior to entrance. Medical forms were mailed in November to parents whose fifth graders do not meet the medical exam criteria. All forms are due prior to the first day of school. Medical exam and Immunization Certificates are posted on the “Forms” page under the Parents tab.

2017-2018 Calendars

Posted on the school website are the revised Preschool and K-8 Calendars for the 2016-2017 school year. Please take a look at these calendars as some changes have been made since the calendars were originally published in February. An updated copy will be included in the Family Packet in August.

Cafeteria Sign Up

Every family is required to volunteer to work in the cafeteria for 5 days during the school year. It is impossible to operate the school lunch program without parent support. Parents may sign up for their 5 days at Family Packet Pickup on Tuesday, August 9th from 9 a.m. to noon and 7-8 p.m. You may also email Amy Borchers, cafeteria Manager at to schedule your dates prior to August 9th. As an incentive, family out of uniform passes will be issued after a parent or other relative works 3 days in the cafeteria.

PTO SUMMER NEWS

The PTO Board for the 2017-2018 school year is Amy Roesel – President, Tracy Roberts - Secretary, Karen Landwehr – Treasurer, Julane Becker – PR Coordinator, Hilari Wulfeck & Jeanette Kiely – Event Coordinators, Carrie Atzinger – Volunteer Coordinator.

We are currently seeking a parent volunteer to serve as President-Elect for the 2017-2018 school year. The President-Elect is a two-year term and is responsible for the following:

- Attend PTO monthly meetings; in the absence of the President, shall perform all duties of the President;
- Act as an aide to the President;
- Serves as membership chairperson (including managing the creation and printing of the PTO directories with the help of the main office);
- Assist the board president and prepare to take over president responsibilities the next year;
- Organize and deliver SJS teachers and staff birthday gifts from PTO; and
- Be available to help with and attend various PTO functions throughout the year.

The PTO supports many events, fundraisers, programs, etc. here at school. This is a very energetic and dedicated group of parents who are very involved in the school. The PTO meets once a month at 7:00 p.m. and most meetings conclude by 8:30 p.m.

Please consider devoting some time to this very worthwhile organization.

Please contact Amy Roesel, 859-743-2153/roesel29@gmail.com, with any questions.

Virtus Training

This safe environment program for children has been mandated by the Bishops of the United States for all employees and volunteers who in any way deal with children in Catholic Schools; therefore, if you have not attended a VIRTUS presentation, then you cannot volunteer – this includes volunteering in the cafeteria, on the playground or as a field trip chaperone. If you would like to register to attend a VIRTUS session, please go to the website at www.virtus.org. The password is “TRUST.”

Box Tops

Way to go SJS! Together we collected \$1,731 during the 2016-17 school year! Not sure how to collect more Box Tops? Ask your family, friends and co-workers too save them. Increase your homeroom classes' chance at winning ice cream sandwiches, popsicles and more! The new Box Top Summer Form is attached to this newsletter.

Boys Basketball – Open Gym

Basketball Open Gym for boys who will be entering the 6th, 7th & 8th graders next school year.

Each boy will need to have a waiver (similar to the one for school ball) and **MUST BRING A BASKETBALL**. The focus will be shooting, dribbling, passing & on ball defense.

The dates are as follows:

Thursdays, June 22, 29, (6:00 - 8:00 pm)

Thursdays, July 20, 27 (6:00 - 8:00 pm)

Sundays, July 23 & 30 (12:30 - 2:30 pm)

Thursdays, August 3, 17, 24, 31 (6:00 - 8:00 pm)

Sundays, August 6, 20, 27 (12:30 - 2:30 pm)

Waiver forms will be available to sign during the open gyms.

If you have any questions please contact, Bob Bishop at [859-750-0449](tel:859-750-0449)

Summer Information - Our school office hours will vary throughout the summer.

June Open MOST weekdays from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Please call before stopping by (859-578-2742). If there is no answer, please leave a message and someone will call you back as soon as possible.

July Office Closed (Please call the school office and leave a voice message, we will be checking our messages frequently)

August 1-4 Office Open 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

August 7 & 8 Office Closed

August 9 Office open from 9 a.m. – 12 noon & 7 – 8 p.m. for Family Packet Pick-up and Cafeteria sign-up

August 10-11 Office Closed – Festival Set-up

August 14-15 Office Closed

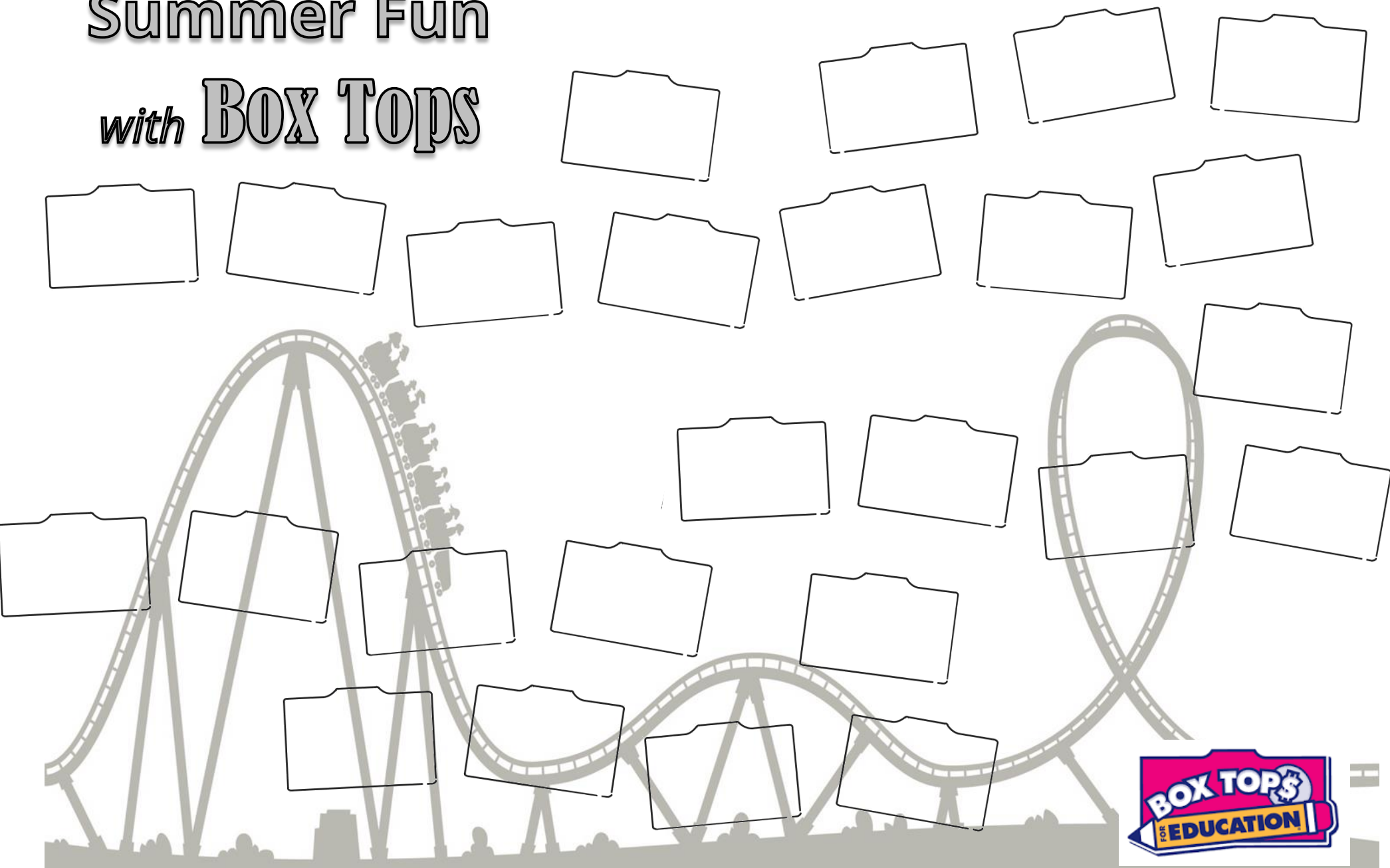
August 16 School begins - Office hours 7 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Attachments

Summer Box Tops Sheet

St. Joe's Night at World of Sports Flyer

Summer Fun with BOX TOPS



Name: _____

How much fun are you having?! Collect Box Tops to see if SJS can top the charts at \$2,000 this year!

St. Joe's Night at



When: Sunday, June 25th

Where: World of Golf

*7400 Woodspoint Drive
Florence, KY 41042*

Time: 5:00 – 9:00 pm

Cost: \$5 / adult & \$3 / child

(FREE under 2)

(price includes 1 round of miniature golf)

Food & Drink specials available inside

*Please show this flyer when paying
(via phone or paper)*

