

2020 5-8th grade Art Club Dates

- Monday, February 3rd; 2-3pm
- Monday, March 16th; 2-3pm
- Monday, April 6th; 2-3pm
- Monday, May 11th, 2-3pm
- Monday, June 8th, 2-3pm

**Please let your child(ren) know they will be staying after for the Art club on these days to avoid confusion at dismissal. Please be at the school a few minutes before 3pm to pick up your child.

I look forward to Art club with these awesome kids for the rest of the school year!

Any questions please email me at lindsey.kotas@stjohnsalden.org

Miss Kotas

2020 2-4th grade Art Club Dates

- Monday, February 10th; 2-3pm
- Tuesday, March 10th; 2-3pm
- Tuesday, April 7th; 2-3pm
- Tuesday, May 5th; 2-3pm
- Monday, June 1st; 2-3pm

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Miss Kotas

Join Drama Club!

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 3-8.

THE CLUB WILL MEET IN THE GYM

(UNLESS OTHERWISE ANNOUNCED)

WEDNESDAYS FROM 2-3PM ON:

| | | | | |
|------|------|------|-------------------|------|
| 2/26 | 3/4 | 3/11 | 3/18 | 3/25 |
| 4/1 | 4/22 | 4/29 | 5/6 | 5/13 |
| 5/20 | 5/27 | 6/3 | *Performance 6/10 | |

More information on rehearsals and performance will follow.

You must be present for at least 10 meetings/rehearsals to be in the performance. You may bring clothes to change into.

I give permission for _____

to attend Drama Club on the above dates.

After Drama Club,

- he/she should go to After School Care
- he/she will be picked up

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Any questions or changes, please email Ms. Genco at stephanie.genco@stjohnsalden.org or Mrs. Swendsen at maribeth.swendsen@stjohnsalden.org



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2/6/2020

Dear St. John the Baptist School Families,

Attached to this letter you will find information regarding the registration of your child for the 2020-2021 school year. Although it may seem a little early to begin this process, it is in fact the perfect time. Early registration ensures that your child has a place reserved for them for next school year. There are also some important deadlines that need to be met to ensure that your family is fully registered for the first day of school in September 2020.

Important Deadlines and Registration steps:

1. Complete and return the enclosed registration form by **Friday, February 28th**.
2. Apply for transportation (busing) with your home district by **April 1st**. Make sure to send the request to our school office and to the district transportation office.
3. New Kindergarten Families - Apply for Kindergarten with your home district. Even if your child will attend St. John the Baptist School in the 2020-2021 school year, your child must still be registered at the public school. Each district is different in how they register children, so please contact them directly.
4. Apply for Bison Children's Scholarship by **February 28th**. The registration portal for new families is now open and applications can be found at www.bisonfund.com. If you currently receive Bison funds, you will receive a registration email and must complete the renewal process by **April 15th**.
5. Catholic families that are registered at a parish other than St. John the Baptist must complete a CTGP form by **April 1st** in order to receive the Parishioner rate on tuition.

Deadlines will approach quicker than you think, so it is my suggestion to get as much completed this month as possible. If you are new to this process, or just need some help, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Many Blessings,

Mrs. Johnson, Principal



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Office Use Only

Re-Registration fee paid: _____

Check Number _____ or Cash

Date: _____

Re-Registration Family Form 2020-2021 School Year
PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

Family Name: _____

Please Check:

My child (children) will return to St. John's: _____

| Students in St. John's School | Grade in 2020-2021 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

(Required Information)

Registered Member of _____ Parish

Public School District of Residence (YOUR HOME DISTRICT): _____

A \$45.00 registration fee for each child Pre-K through Grade 8, non-refundable, must accompany this form.
This fee is waived if your re-registration is received before February 28, 2020

If you have a child you wish to enroll in our Kindergarten or Pre-Kindergarten program, please fill in the following. Additional Registration information will follow.

PLEASE PRINT CHILD'S NAME:

- _____ DOB: _____ For Kindergarten September 2020
- _____ DOB: _____ For Early Kindergarten September 2020 5 day Monday - Friday
- _____ DOB: _____ For Pre-Kindergarten (4 year old) 5 day Monday - Friday
- _____ DOB: _____ For Pre- Kindergarten (4 year old) 3 day (Monday, Wednesday, Friday)
- _____ DOB: _____ For Pre-Kindergarten (3 year old): Tuesday & Thursday

For Kindergarten, the child must be 5 years of age by December 1, 2020 . For Early Kindergarten the child must be 4 years old by September 1st 2020 Pre-K 4 year old class the child must be 4 years of age by December 1, 2020 and for Pre-K 3 year old class the child must be 3 years of age by December 1, 2020.

CHILDREN MUST BE ABLE TO USE THE BATHROOM INDEPENDENTLY.

Please Check:

My child (children) will not return to St. John's: _____

Please indicate what school your child (children) will be attending in September 2020.

Please tell us the reason you decided to leave St. John's: _____



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New Student Registration Form

A \$45.00 non-refundable registration fee is due when this form is submitted

Student's Legal Name: _____ Sex: ___ M ___ F

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Birth Date: _____

School District: _____

Religion: _____ Parish Affiliation: _____

Previous School/Daycare Attended: _____

Household Information:

Parents are: _____ together _____ divorced _____ legally separated

Child resides with _____ both parents _____ Mother _____ Father _____ Gaurdian

Ethnicity: _____

Household Address: _____

Home phone: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Address (if different than household address): _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

Occupation: _____ Name of Company: _____



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Our Tuition Policy:

1. Tuition is payable in 10 monthly payments due September through June.
2. Tuition is paid using FACTS Tuition.
 - a. New Families can enroll online (<https://factsmgmt.com>) or complete an application form in the school office (link can also be found on the FACTS page on our website).
 - b. There is a 3% discount if tuition is prepaid in full by August 31st

The total cost to educate a child at St. John the Baptist School:

1 student.... \$6,631
 2 students...\$13,262
 3 students...\$19,893
 4 students...\$26,524

Tuition Schedule for 2020-2021

(Our tuition schedule reflects the parish contribution which offsets the cost to families)

Kindergarten - 8th Grade

| Parishioner Rate * | | Non - Parishioner Rate | |
|--------------------|----------|------------------------|-----------|
| 1 child | \$ 3,198 | 1 child | \$ 3,836 |
| 2 children | \$ 5,248 | 2 children | \$ 6,298 |
| 3 children | \$ 6,715 | 3 children | \$ 8,058 |
| 4 children | \$ 8,953 | 4 children | \$ 10,744 |

* Parishioner rate applies to families that are an active member of **any** Catholic Church. In order to receive this rate, families **MUST** complete the CTGP form and have it signed by your parish.

Pre K Program Tuition Schedules for 2019-2020

Pre-K 3 (2 day Program)
 \$ 2,150

Pre-K 4 (3 day program)
 \$ 3,150

Early Kindergarten Program/ PreK 4 (5 Day program)
 \$ 4,750

Fee Schedule

| | | | |
|--|-----------|---|----------|
| Registration Fee | Per Child | Due at the time of Registration - Your registration is not considered complete without this payment | \$45.00 |
| School Supply Fee - Textbooks, Supplies, Diocesan and Insurance, Standardized Testing | Per Child | Due by August 31st | \$150.00 |
| Technology Fee - This fee provides licensing, maintenance, and purchasing of electronic devices and networks. | Per Child | Due by August 31st | \$150.00 |

Family Volunteer Hours

As part of your support of the school, a minimum of thirty (30) hours of active participation in school and fundraising events and/or other designated activities are expected of each family in Grades PreK 4-8th and ten (10) hours for families in Pre-K 3. This involvement in school activities and fundraising is not only necessary for the success and overall functioning of the school, it is an excellent way to build a vested commitment to the school community.

Tuition Assistance

Families are encouraged to apply for the Bison Children's Scholarship Fund, as well as the Friends of St. John's Scholarship. Both of the application forms and their deadline dates can be found on the school website. Please note that you cannot apply for Friends of St. John's without first applying for the Bison's Children Scholarship Fund.

Important Reminders

- New Families must enroll for FACTS tuition. This can be done online at <https://factsmgmt.com> or by completing an application in the Main Office.
- All application fees and school fees are due in August on either the 1st or 15th.
- Tuition payments are due monthly from September to June on either the 1st or 15th.
- A late fee of \$55.00 will be incurred on any late payments.
- Any questions regarding tuition payments may be directed to the business office at (716)937-6959.



St. John the Baptist School

Biweekly Newsletter

February 5 2020



Principal Letter

Dear Families,

Although February is a short month we have a lot of important things happening this month. There are two H.S.A events scheduled, we begin our registration process, 2nd quarter report cards come home, Lent begins, and kids go a little crazy over Valentine's Day.

With all that is happening, it is important to slow down a bit and focus on what is really important in our families. " And then three remain: hope, faith, and love. But the greatest of these is Love". This is one of my favorite verses from the Bible, and it always comes to mind in February. This month we are so bombarded by the romantic side of love, which is a wonderful thing, but it is nothing compared to the love of our families and the love of our GOD.

Many Blessings,

Mrs. Jonna M. Johnson

Dates to Remember

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Father/ Daughter Dance | 2/8 |
| Teacher Appreciation Week We LOVE our teachers! | 2/10- 2/14 |
| Soup Supper 4:30-pm to 6:30pm | 2/13 |
| Valentine's Day | 2/14 |
| Winter Break No School | 2/17- 2/21 |
| H.S.A Meeting 6pm Lawn Fete Meeting 7pm | 2/25 |
| Mother/Daughter Night | 2/29 |

School/Family Checklist...

Complete and return the enclosed registration paperwork by February 28th.

Apply for the Bison's Children Fund Scholarship by February 28th.

Subscribe to and read the Panther Pulse. This weekly email is so helpful and is sure to keep you on track.

What are some of your favorite ways to show your child you love them? What special things do you do that strengthen you as a family?



Communication Hotspots:

- Blue Family Folder—Information will be sent home every other Wednesday .
- School Website— Check here for current event information, forms, and other important information.
- Face book— Consider joining our closed parent group or following the school page. This is a great way to see all of the fun learning that happens, as well as, connect with other parents.
- School Reach—Phone calls, TEXTS, and emails are sent out by the office on a routine basis and in emergency situations.

Report Cards:

Report Cards— For our students in PreK 3 , PreK 4, and Kindergarten this is will be your child's first report card of the year. Please note that this is a standard's based report card and it is meant to tell you how your child is progressing toward the grade level standards. Since we are only mid year, we would expect to see many of our students with a "D" which stands for developing, and working towards mastery.

For students in 1st–8th grade this report card is reflective of what your child has leaned in the second quarter of school . The second quarter is a very content heavy quarter, and it is not uncommon for all student grades to dip slightly. Please contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Semester Awards— Awards will be presented next week at grade level ceremonies. Awards will be given for Outstanding Effort, Leadership, Perfect Attendance, and Spirit of Christian Living for students in all grades. For grades 3-8 students will also receive recognition for 1st and 2nd honors for 1st and 2nd quarter achievements.



Registration for 2020-2021 School Year :

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H.S.A News:

- The next meeting is on February 25th at 6:00pm in the school faculty room. ALL parents/guardians are welcomed and encouraged to attend.
- **Mother/Daughter Night**—This rescheduled event will be on Saturday, February 29th at 6:30pm. Please complete the enclosed flyer.
- **Meat Raffle**— Save the Date !!! Saturday, March 28th. For more information see the enclosed flyer to order tickets and reserve your table. This is sure to be a sell out event!
- The Lawn Fete committee meets immediately following the H.S.A meeting. We need the support of ALL school families to make this event successful!
- Thank you !!! A huge thank you to everyone that helped out with the Pancake Breakfast and the Ice Cream Social!
- We are still collecting Dash receipts and Box Tops.

Absences/Tardies/Illness :

- All absences should be called into the main office at 937-9483. If no one answers please leave a message with your child's name and grade.
- All absences require a written excuse to be sent in on the day the student returns to school. The excuse should include your child's name, the date they were absent, and the reason.
- All students that arrive after 8 am are marked tardy. Parents must sign their child in and receive a tardy slip for the classroom teacher. It is encouraged that children arrive by 7:50 am so that they have time prior to announcements to unpack, get settled, sign up for lunch, and be ready for the day.
- Sick children should stay home. Students that are throwing up, have a fever, or have diarrhea should be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school. This policy helps to contain the spread of germs and keep our students and staff healthy. Develop a plan for what to do when your child is sick.
- No School—February 17th–21st for winter break.

School Liturgy

2/6—Mass at 8:30 am led by 4th Grade

2/13—Mass at 8:30am led by various grades

2/26— Ash Wednesday Mass at 8:30am led by Faculty (Please note the change in mass days)

February Calendar/Lunch Menu:

Pink copies of the February school calendar and the lunch menu were sent home with students at the end of January. If you need to reference this calendar it is available on the website and in the Panther Pulse.



February Character Trait:

Respect

Treat others with courtesy and tolerance.

Ask your child:

What do they think respect means? How do they show respect at school, at home, and in church?

LE 3 Winter Camp:

If you need childcare for the February break, don't forget to sign up for the LE3 camp. More information can be found on their website at <https://www.le3-inc.org/sjb> !

8th Grade News:

Our Lake George trip will be here before you know it. It is very important that we stay on the payment schedule to ensure that we meet all reservation deadlines. The next trip payment of \$250.00 is due on **Wednesday, February 26th**. This payment needs to be mailed directly to the company at:

1st Choice Educational Tours

PO Box 950

Batavia, NY 14021-0950

