



A biweekly communication for the parents, students, and friends of Saint Joseph's Episcopal School

Message from the Head of School, Tami Pleasanton

Welcome Back!!

I am excited to welcome you to the 2011-2012 school year! We have an amazing year planned for you!

Please take a moment to review a few improvements and additions that were made over the summer to enhance our programs and curriculum:

- ▶ Our "Call to the Heart" project, the new gymnasium floor, funded by our generous auction donors, was completed and looks wonderful!
- ▶ We have two new gymnasium welcome mats installed, funded by the 2009-10 8th grade class.
- ▶ We have a new working exterior water fountain near the tennis courts, funded by the 2010-11 8th grade class.
- ▶ We replaced the carpet in our library.
- ▶ We received new Lacrosse equipment – nets and goals.
- ▶ Our tennis courts have all been re-surfaced and re-striped.
- ▶ The Library is now open five (5) days a week.
- ▶ We have a newly refurbished school planning and conference room.
- ▶ Mrs. Cunningham will be our Com-

puter Curriculum Teacher, implementing our computer science curriculum to grades Kindergarten to 8th Grade.

- ▶ Mr. Keiper will be our new music teacher for Kindergarten to 5th grade and also a private music lessons instructor.
- ▶ A very intense refurbishment and restoration was completed to remove all gum and candy damage to campus sidewalks and carpets. **I would like to remind everyone that we have a NO GUM and CANDY policy on campus. No students are permitted to chew candy or gum on campus anytime.**

Regular bi-weekly publications of **Connections** will begin in two weeks, starting September 23rd. Please look for this informative and entertaining newsletter in your email every other Friday.

I hope to see you all at the Welcome Back BBQ tonight at 6:00 p.m.

I look forward to a great year! As always, please feel free to call me with any questions, comments, or concerns at 561-704-7714.

Tami

Announcements



Soaring High To Reach The Sky!

The Annual Fund Campaign is underway, and we look forward to your support of this very important campaign for our school! Soon, your Grade Captains will be sending you materials about how you can participate. As always, please feel free to contact them if you have any questions.

We would like to again thank our 2011-12 Annual Fund chairs, **Eric and Vanessa Wilson**, as well as our Grade Captains: **Lori Rex, Tammy Rayfield, Jennifer Pisciotto, Carolina Gallo, Lina Elost, Paige Gemmel, Renee Reiersen, Jennifer Collins, Tina Westine, Michelle Donahue, Kelly DuBois, and Dina Tarro!**

Welcome Back Breakfast

It was a beautiful morning as the parents of St. Joe's joined together to celebrate the start of a new school year. The newly decorated Conference Room, in the Middle School building, made a wonderful backdrop for new friendships to be established and old friends to be reacquainted. Thanks to all who attended this fun-filled event!!

Live Healthy with Team Jaguars

In the spirit of healthy living, Saint Joseph's community of families, faculty, staff, and parishioners are invited to join Team Jaguars for our first community health and fitness event. Whether you're an avid runner, a frequent walker, or a content couch potato, Team Jaguars will motivate and encourage you to live healthy and have FUN!

Please join us this Sunday, September 11th, along the beautiful Intracoastal Waterway in WPB for the 2nd Annual Freedom Walk & Run 5K. This event is in support of military families and first responders as we acknowledge the 10th anniversary of 9/11. Proceeds benefit "Operation Homefront-Florida" which provide emergency financial and other assistance to the families of our service members and wounded warriors.

To register, please visit <http://www.active.com/5k-race/west-palm-beach-fl/freedom-walk-and-run-5k-2011>.

A complete schedule of Team Jaguars events may be found on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SaintJosephEpiscopalSchool.



Join the fun and "Like" us on Facebook to receive all the latest news, information, and events happening at our school. (Click icon.)

PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR ANNUAL WELCOME BACK BBQ! TONIGHT @ 6:00 p.m. in the gym

You're Invited to... Saint Joseph's Barbeque



All are welcome to join the fun as we celebrate a new school year with great food, fantastic company, and fun-filled entertainment....

- The best barbeque style food in South Florida
- Ice Cream Sundae Bar
- Beer and Wine cash bar for the adults (suggested donation \$3.00/ drink)

Volunteers needed for set-up, clean-up, food servers, and ticket sales.

Date: Friday, Sept. 9th
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Judith Rogers Gym
Cost: \$10 Adults
 \$5 Children

Please RSVP by Wednesday, September 7th to Janet 561.732.2045; jsanchez@sjsonline.org or online at: facebook.com/SaintJosephEpiscopalSchool

Proceeds from the Welcome Back BBQ are applied to the Annual Fund to benefit the children of Saint Joseph's Episcopal School. Thanks for your support!

Ice Cream Fridays

Can't eat that much?

\$1.00
weekly

Buying an Ice Cream Card is convenient and saves you money!



Starts September 16th
Offered during Friday Lunch Hour

Our popular Ice Cream Friday fundraiser is back! Students may purchase an ice cream card for \$25. This entitles them to 27 Fridays of ice cream. Many of our teachers in the lower grades keep the cards for their students and give them out on ice cream day. Middle School students are responsible for their own cards.

But don't worry... lost cards are replaceable! If you wish to purchase ice cream on a weekly basis, you can do that too. Just don't forget your \$1.00! Proceeds benefit our Athletic Department. For more information or to volunteer on Fridays, email Chairperson, Kristen Kerl: kkerl@sjsonline.org or call 561-434-0700.

Yes! Sign me up for an ice cream card!

Student _____

Teacher/Grade _____

Check Cash

Method of Payment

Total: _____

Make checks payable to: St. Joseph's Parents' Organization

September 2011

As of September 9, 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				First day of school		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Labor Day - no school		8:05AM Honor Code, Chapel	3:30PM Girls' Volleyball (@ home) 3:45PM Boys' Football (@ Unity)	6:00PM Back-to School BBQ (gymnasium)	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	3:30PM Girls' Volleyball (@ Lake Worth Christian)	3:30PM Girls' Volleyball (@ home) 3:30PM Boys' Football (@ home)	8th Grade Retreat 3:15-4:30PM Brownie Mtg.	8th Grade Retreat 8:05AM PO Meeting Conference Room	8th Grade Retreat	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	3:30PM Girls' Volleyball (@ home) 3:30PM Boys' Football (@ home)	3:30PM Girls' Volleyball (@ Trinity)	3:45PM Boys' Football (@ home)	3:45PM Girls' Volleyball (@ home) 3:45 Boys' Football (@ home)	3:15PM Girl's Volleyball Fifth Grade only (@ St. Vincent's)	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
2:00-5:00PM Blessing of the Animals @ SJES Church	4:00PM Boys' Football (@ home)	6:30-8:30PM High School Fair	3:15-4:30PM Brownie Mtg. 3:30PM Girls' Volleyball (@ Unity)	3:30PM Girls' Volleyball (@ home)		