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Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday January 11, 2018

Dear Saint John XXIII Community,

Welcome back and may God's blessings and the joy of Christ's birth stay with you in the New Year ahead. It was far too quiet around campus without the kids, but life has returned to the classrooms and we were ecstatic to have them all back this week. Routine is not always bad!

In case you missed the Facebook posting on the school's account over the break, we had some Christmas angels stop by St. John's over the break and bless our kids with a special gift. The idea for this has been talked about for quite a while, but it wasn't until moms Teresa Burch, Cherry Crooks and Jackie Gherna got together that the reality of the vision came to life. I have included some pictures below of the bathroom positivity project that began over break and continues to develop. The kids have not stopped talking about it and the teachers struggled to get them out of the bathrooms the first few days as they want to read every sign. I won't dare spoil all of the surprises these amazing women still have in store for the future, but I know their work already has touched the hearts of so many kids on campus and will continue to do so. If you see any of them around, please give them a big hug and thank them for their inspiring dedication with this project. We are lucky to have them in our community.

**God Bless,
Preston Colao
Principal**





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Monday, Jan. 21

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World Rosary
11:20 Courtyard

2019-2020 school year

New Student Applications
Now being accepted
for the
2019-2020 School Year

As we continue to accept kindergarten applications for the 2019-2020 school year, please consider recommending St. John to your family and friends. We are currently accepting applications for all grade levels.

The deadline for Kinder applications is January 18th!

As current families, our re-registration will take place in February. Be on the lookout for more information!

[Father/Daughter Dance](#)

Save THE *Date*

Save the date for Friday, February 8th for this year's Father/Daughter Dance. It will be in the school gym from 6-8 p.m. Keep an eye out for this year's theme and registration information!

Twenty Years of Blessings



Happy 2019! We are halfway through this year's Annual Appeal Campaign, and we are so very thankful to those of you who have made a financial contribution towards our goal of \$200,000. UPDATE: 36% of our families have participated for a total of \$103,440 This is a good start... but our goal has yet to be met. We need you. We need you to participate and contribute in a way that makes sense for your family's situation... but also with a consideration for the larger community of St. John. We all benefit by working together. DONATE TO THE ANNUAL APPEAL Thank you for helping us hit those numbers!

CEA Tax Credit



Catholic Education

A R I Z O N A

Our Children. Your Tax Credit. Their Future.

You still have time! Contributions given by April 15, 2019 will count towards 2018's taxes. This is a no cost tax credit program that benefits members of the St. John community. Learn more at [Catholic Education Arizona](#).

[Community Event](#)



Join us Thursday, January 17th after drop-off in the Parish Hall, Rooms 5 & 6 for a quick planning meeting for this year's Spring Community Event (to be held on Saturday, April 27th). We will finalize this year's theme, and brainstorm fun ideas for this event. Can't make it? We still need you! Our biggest need lies in gathering items for auction and raffle. We want to have some fun themed baskets and bigger items for our silent auction, but need help from YOU with the ASK. If you can ask one or two of your favorite businesses to contribute, we will have an amazing selection of items.

Please contact Kristen in the Development Office:

kbutler@saintjohnxxiii.org if you have any questions or can contribute something. THANK YOU!

Spelling Bee



Congratulations to 8th graders Connor White, winner, and Maggie Wuycheck, runner-up, who spelled their way to the top of the school and will represent St. John at the Diocesan Spelling Bee on January 29th. Good luck - we are so proud of you!

Field Day



This year's Field Day is on Friday, February 1st. Please sign up to help us with both tie dying t-shirts and the event which will run from 8-12. Your Safe Environment certification must be up-to-date to volunteer on campus.

[TIE DYE SIGN UP](#)

[School wide SIGN UP](#)

[Ways of Worship](#)



Friday January 25th

11:20 in the school Courtyard

Do you speak a 2nd language and would you like to participate in our World Rosary? If you are interested, you and/or your child can sign up to say the Hail Mary or the Our Father in a language other than English. Please read the details on the Sign up Genius and sign up by January 18th!!

[Catholic Schools Week](#)



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2019

January 27 - February 2

#CSW19

January 28-February 1

Our Community wide Faith In Action project for Catholic Schools Week will be collecting gently used children and teen clothing and shoes that are still in good condition and donating them to Harvest Compassion Center right here in our own neighborhood. The mission of Harvest Compassion Center is to provide food and clothing in a hope-filled environment to the under served in the greater Phoenix area. Please be sure that all donations are neatly bagged and thank you for supporting Catholic School students to learn, serve, lead and succeed!

[Faith in Action](#)



Faith IN Action

BEST DAY EVER!!

Buck-A-Sweans and Jersey Day

Friday January 18th

5 BUCKS-A-Swean (Sweats or Jeans) AND Sports Jersey Day!

NEXT FRIDAY

The BIG event we all look forward to !!

**Something FUN for our Saint John XXIII Catholic School and
Community!**

We will be celebrating our Winter weather with a special "Buck-A-Swean" AND Sports Jersey Day!

**No...that is not a misprint....Wear your favorite sports jersey AND
sweats OR jeans to school NEXT Friday.**

**All donations collected will benefit the 8th Grade Mission Trip in
March.**

Help us make this a SUPER fun day by making sure we [follow these](#)

guidelines!

Scrip



Welcome back! Happy New Year!

We have AMC, Harkins, and multiple restaurant gift cards from Fox restaurants to In & Out. So, take a break after the holidays and enjoy a movie and dinner.

Help support our school by purchasing SCRIP. It does not cost you any more than what you were going to spend!

Stop by the SCRIP cart before or after school or email Pegge Gentry, at pgentry@saintjohnxxii.org with any questions.

Remember you can use your FACTS account to purchase SCRIP!

Scrip Sales Hours:

Tuesday-Thursday

7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

Friday

7:30 – 8:15

12:15 – 1:00

Running Club and Fitness Club



It's a great time to start preparing for those spring sports. Enhance your conditioning and fitness with your friends.

Running Club: Tuesday/Thursday 720am in the Gym

Fitness Club: Monday/Friday: 7am in the Gym

***See Coach D for details**

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Parish Snow Much Fun Day!

Saturday, January 26th after the 5 pm Mass

Kids of all ages can have fun in the big snow pile and the snow slide in front of the Parish Office. There is no fee to play in the snow—just bring donations of clothing, shoes, or canned goods to participate. Plan to enjoy a S’more or two outside at the S’more station while watching the kids play in the snow.

This fun event includes a Parish Pot Luck, Chili Cook Off, and Jr. Bake Off in the Parish Hall from 6—8:30 pm. Children 6th grade and up can enter the Jr. Bake Off challenge with their cookie and cupcake creations. Prizes will be awarded for Best Cookie and Best Cupcake.

To sign-up for the Potluck or to enter the Chili Cook-off or Junior Bake Off go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4AA8AF0-snow> . Contact Shirley Smalley at 480-905-4434 with questions.



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