



PRIDE

Obedientia Et Pax

Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday February 1, 2019



Dear Saint John XXIII Community,

What a great week for our community! While we celebrated the joy of Catholic School all week, the true gifts of a Catholic education is evident in our kids every day. Having the student leaders alongside me to celebrate Mass with the Bishop and Fr. Kline this week and for the rally at the capital reminded me once again of how effective and important a Catholic education is for our kids. The reality of having Christ guide our dedicated teachers and tireless volunteers is why we succeed. Seeing the joy in our kids throughout field day helped remind us all of why this community is so special. Nothing echoed more truth than watching field day wrap with our kids proclaiming "God is good...All the time...All the time...God is good"!



I'll truly never be able to thank Karin DeChant, Jennifer Kelly and Keri Rozansky enough for putting together a great field day and to all of their amazing volunteers who helped today and in the past weeks with tie-dying shirts; they are what makes our community what it is year in and year out.

SO many of you came to me this week and spoke about writing projects your kids were working on at home for Catholic School's Week. I wanted to share one of those below that a teacher received because of how much they felt it summed up our community and the feelings of our kids.

Why I Love Catholic Schools

Catholic schools are amazing in so many ways, I don't even know where to start. It's so wonderful to practice our faith in our religion class at Saint John XXIII. We may have to wear uniforms, but that doesn't really matter, we're at school! It's a huge privilege

to go here.

Mass is so important for our faith to grow. If you listen, you can learn some valuable lessons. It's even fun to participate! I wish everyone could go to Mass at least once a week. There are even more fantastic things you can do other than Mass. You can go to the Adoration Chapel and pray to God alone.

Of course, there are lots of people who make this possible for me. My parents encourage me to learn new things at school. They also pay for me, which is a challenge they have completed successfully. My teachers, as well, have a key role in my going here. They teach me everything! They are also super nice!

Those are all the reasons why I love Saint John XXIII and why I go here. I've been going here my entire life and I think it's amazing!

On another note, I also need to recognize our 7th graders who competed in the Honeywell Aerospace Challenge at ASU this week and did incredibly well. The students had to create a scale model and report about an International Logistics Mission to colonize Phobos, a moon of Mars. The primary purpose of the mission being the development of a plan to establish a sustainable base on Phobos with minimum support from Earth for up to 24 astronauts in a 10 year span. As I've often joked before...exactly what we all did in middle school too, right? Our wins included:

Kid's Choice Award for Best Team Name: *Satellite Sisters*: Gianna Bucci, Samantha Aulicino, Liv Samuel and Abigail Campbell

**Honorable Mention Judges Choice for Best Base to Live in: *Phobotics*:
Iain Lanphier, Avery Stayer, Camille Devine, and Remi Hanrahan**

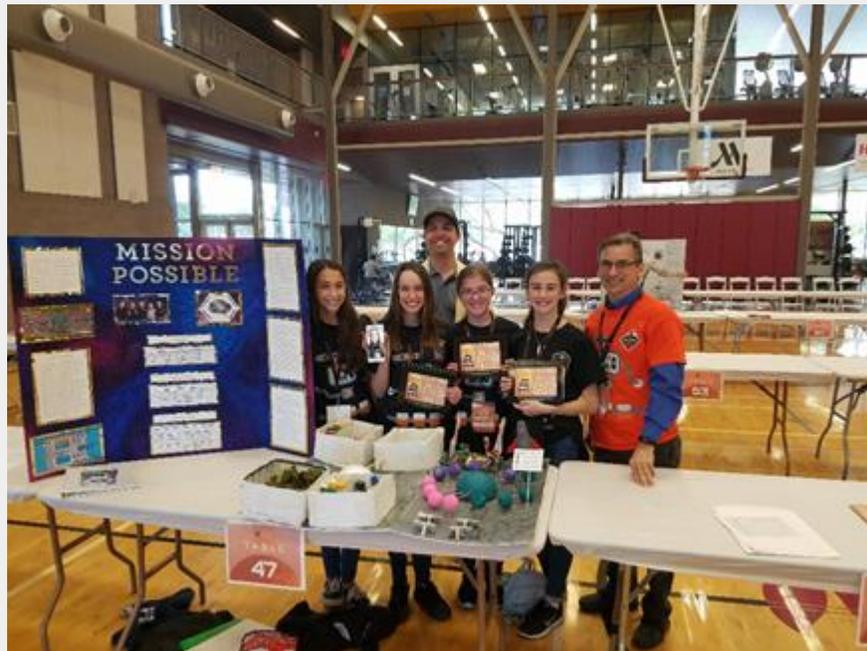
**Judges Choice for Best Team Spirit: *Space Lions*: Dane Doherty, Will
Feagles, Deacon Paul, Carson Curry, and Jaxon Bonanno**

AND our biggest win...

**OVERALL CHAMPIONS! They will move on to the Final Honeywell
Fiesta Bowl Competition which will be held Saturday, February 9th
against 3 other champion finalists teams from all of the schools in the
state to win a trip to NASA Space Camp this summer:**

Team - *Mission Possible*

**Rachel Rodriguez, Ava Handel, Ciara Colao, Ava Heredia, and Catalina
Qualantone**



Thank you all for representing us so well!

Have a great weekend and thank you all for supporting Catholic education!

**God Bless,
Preston Colao
Principal**

School Notes



In This Edition

- [2019-2020 school year](#)
- [Fair Application](#)
- [Catholic Schools Week](#)
- [Field Day Appreciation](#)
- [Calling All Artists](#)
- [A Note from Athletics](#)
- [Father/Daughter Dance](#)



Important Dates

Wednesday, Feb 6

Mass 8:30

Friday, Feb 8

Father/Daughter Dance

- [Back to the 80s](#)
 - [Twenty Years of Blessings](#)
 - [CEA Tax Credit](#)
 - [Spirit of Service](#)
 - [Scrip](#)
 - [St. Joan of Arc Preschool](#)
 - [Parish Corner](#)
- Monday, February 11**
Mandatory Sport meeting
See below
- Wednesday, Feb 13**
Mass 8:30

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.

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

Fair Application



The Catholic Education Arizona (CEA) online scholarship application through FAIR for tuition scholarships for the 2019-2020 school year is now open. Any student seeking financial aid and/or scholarship assistance must complete this application. **Parents will be notified by letter from CEA by June 30, 2019.**

Applications must be completed online at:

www.fairapp.com

School Code: 700

School Password: cea700

The application deadline (including all tax documentation required) is April 15, 2019. Please remember to upload your tax documents to FAIR as soon as you have completed the online application.

[Catholic Schools Week](#)



As we come to the end of Catholic Schools Week. Let us remember that Catholic Schools exist so that we, Disciples of Christ, can learn, live and spread the Good News. When Jesus told a story about the reign of God and the people who would enter into the kingdom at the end of the world (Mt 25:31-46), he said people's entry would be based on only one thing: the extent to which they recognized him in the poor, the hungry, the sick, the homeless and the prisoner, and what they did to help him. Our religious beliefs must be lived through our actions. In our Catholic schools the Good News of Jesus' love must guide all that we do, to help us as individuals and as a community to respond to the needs of others, knowing that in doing so we are both responding to Jesus himself and building the Kingdom of God on earth.

We thank you for your support of Catholic Education and for helping Saint John XXIII Catholic School be a place where your children can learn, serve, lead and succeed.

[Field Day Appreciation](#)



Today's campus wide Field Day couldn't have happened without some very special people. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who helped tie dye team shirts, kept the game stations running smoothly and kept the enthusiastic students moving and jumping all day. The biggest thank you goes out our Field Day Chairs - Keri Rozansky, Jen Kelly and Karin DeChant. We had such a fun day and cannot thank you enough for all of the time, organization and enthusiasm you put into Field Day!

[Calling All Artists](#)



We are holding our annual musical t-shirt design contest. All are welcome to submit a design. This year's production is *The Lion King, Jr.* All designs need to be submitted to the front office or to jkarellas@saintjohnxxiii.org by **Monday, February 4th.**

[A Note from Athletics](#)



Hello Parents,

If your son or daughter is participating in Boys Baseball or Girls Basketball this season, there is a mandatory parent meeting on Monday, February 11th at 3:15pm in the gym. Each player and at least one parent is required to attend. Your child will not be able to play if you do not attend this meeting.

This meeting will cover CYAA Guidelines, playing time, player expectations, parent expectations, and more. After the meeting each coach will hold a quick team meeting of their own.

[Father/Daughter Dance](#)



Friday, February 8th, is the Father/Daughter Dance, and we don't want you to miss out! Please [REGISTER HERE](#) for the "QUEEN OF HEARTS" themed dance. It is \$20 per family with DJ, Photo Booth, water, and giveaways included throughout the evening. (*The*

registration fee will go up to \$25 the night of, so reserve your spot on the dance floor with the lower price point now.)

[Back to the 80s](#)



Mark your calendar now for Saturday, April 27th and lets get "Back to the 80s" for this year's adults only, Community Event! Keep an eye out for updates and new info every week as we move closer to the 80s at St. John.

[Twenty Years of Blessings](#)



We need your help! We are only halfway to our Annual Appeal goal, and there are only 4 months left before the end of the school year. If you have yet to make a gift, can you make a pledge of \$100 a month? Any size of gift helps, so please prayerfully consider a gift today.

"Coming Together is the Beginning. Keeping Together is Progress.

Working Together is Success." -Henry Ford

CEA Tax Credit



Catholic Education
ARIZONA
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](#).

Spirit of Service



[Please click on Spirit of Service link for new opportunities!](#)

Scrip



Need a Birthday gift for those afterschool parties? We have Amazon, Target, Itunes, Bath & Body Works, and many more. So, stop by and save some time and support our school.

Remember you can use your FACTS account to purchase SCRIP!

For questions Stop by the SCRIP cart before or after school or email

Pegge Gentry, at pgentry@saintjohnxxiii.org with any questions.

Scrip Sales Hours:

Monday-Thursday

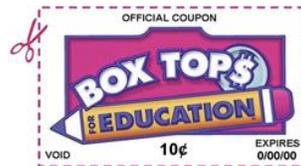
7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

Friday

7:30 – 8:15

12:15 – 1:00



It's Box Top clipping time!

Help our school reach our goal of collecting 15,000 Box Tops. Just by clipping Box Tops and sending them into school, we earn cash.

Clip Box Tops from hundreds of your favorite products. Turn in your Box Tops to your homeroom teacher by February 22nd. Your child's class could win a Box Top party, so send in those Box Tops.

[St. Joan of Arc Preschool](#)



ST. JOAN OF ARC PRESCHOOL
Open House
Sunday, January 27th, 2019
9:30am – 12:30pm



New Families will
receive 15% off
the registration
fee if you register

Why choose St. Joan of Arc Preschool?

- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Faith Formation. Our faith is our guiding light and the source of our purpose.
- Emphasis on moral development and service to others.
- A safe and nurturing learning environment.
- Individual attention through small class size.
- Exceptional faculty and staff who help each student reach their highest potential.
- Inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach

*Quality First has presented us with 4 (out of 5) Star rating. We will have **scholarships** available for the upcoming school year. **Qualifying St. Joan of Arc parishioners are given a priority, and they are filled on a first come-first serve basis call now to see if you qualify.***

Tour our school campus. Meet our faculty and staff. Have all your questions answered.
More information can be obtained at the preschool link of www.stjoanofarc.com

Please contact us: 602-867-9179 or preschool@stjoanofarc.com



Please join us in praying an ongoing novena to Our Lady of Good Help for the children, families and catechists involved in preparing for the reception of the sacraments!

<https://www.shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/PrayerCardLarge.pdf>

In 1859, the year after Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette in Lourdes, France, she appeared to Adele Brise in New Franken, WI. Not many people know that this is an approved apparition/message from Our Lady that we have right in our own country. One of the main components of her message was to prepare the children of our country to receive the sacraments as she said these words to Adele:

"Gather the children in this wild country and teach them what they should know for salvation." And... "Teach them their catechism, how to sign themselves with the sign of the Cross, and how to approach the sacraments; that is what I wish you to do. Go and fear nothing. I will help you."

For more information see: <https://www.shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com/>.

Let's invoke help of Our Lady of Good Help for this most special time of preparation for the sacraments and for our lifelong reception of the sacraments!

Children of St. Bernadette Parish receiving Reconciliation this year: A reminder that our Family Evening Sessions are on Thursday evenings this month!

Feb 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 6-7 pm in the Parish Hall. Questions? Contact Nohemi Camou in the Religious Education department at 480-905-4432.

Sisters in Christ you are invited to join us for a wonderful morning of prayer and fellowship.

We will be hosting a Blessed Brunch on February 16 at 9:15 (after morning mass at 8:30). We would love to see you! Click on the link to RSVP

<https://blessedishe.net/the-blog/blessed-brunch-scottsdale-arizona/>



*Copyright Â© 2019 Saint John XXIII, All rights reserved.
Saint John XXIII Newsletter*

Our mailing address is:

Saint John XXIII
16235 N 60th St
Phoenix, AZ 85254

[Add us to your address book](#)

[unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)



