ST. JOHN SCHOOL

Ms. I's Update

October 6 - 12, 2019

Dear St. John School Community,

Our St. John students have been working hard! We are halfway through the first trimester and progress reports are on their way! Please check your child's progress report when it is sent home (TK-2) or is published (3-8) next week.

At Friday's Pet Blessing, we were all reminded that God wants us to share His love by using our gifts to create a more loving world. Thank you to everyone that uses their gifts to invest in the success of St. John School and believes in our ability to empower students for excellence. The notifications from Virtus of new accounts being created are a constant reminder of the commitment of our St. John community. Seeing the volunteers, hearing your stories of grit and determination, and witnessing how you show up for your children amazes me.

Take a moment next week to walk the hallways of St. John School. The walls are constantly being updated with student work. The 8th graders have just completed a project on elements and their creativity is outstanding. Check the next page for more announcements.

Thank you!

Environment: Thank you to everyone who has been eliminating single-use plastics. Sending your child with a reusable water bottle and containers instead of single-use plastics is one huge way to help protect our earth and environment.

Emergency Bags: Thank you to everyone who has turned in an emergency bag. Reminders will be sent out again next week. This Saturday morning, there was a 3.6 magnitude earthquake. Being prepared is crucial.

As always, Go Eagles!

Ms. Iwaszewicz

Save the Date!

2:30 Dismissal 10/1/19 Faculty and staff have a monthly meeting.

No School 10/14/19 There is no school on the 14th of October.

No School 10/18/19

All teachers will be at a professional development workshop. Pet Blessing: Thank you to the fourth and fifth grade students, and to Fr. Agnel for leading us in prayer at our annual Pet Blessing. Thank you to all the families that came with their pets to receive a blessing. **Bullying Prevention:** October is National Bullying Prevention month. Stay tuned for more information on how St. John School is participating in raising awareness and educating our students.

<u>Bills</u>: Thank you to everyone that pays their school bills on time. Timely payments ensure our ability to service your children. Extended care bills will be posted soon. Please contact our Finance Director if you have any questions on how to use FACTS.

<u>**Tours:**</u> We are currently offering tours for prospective families. Reach out to your friends and families who are not yet at St. John School to schedule a tour! Our Jr. High tour guides have been practicing and the feedback has been stellar!

Halloween Costumes: As you start thinking of costumes, please remember that St. John School serves students from TK-8th grade. No scary clowns, weapons, etc. More information will be sent out soon.

Communication: Our faculty and staff are always open and receptive to constructive feedback, suggestions, etc. Should there be something you wish to address, please do not hesitate to email, call, or schedule a meeting. Room parents are also a great resource! Timely and respectful communication leads to clarification and positive change. Ultimately, we all share the common goal of wanting the best for our students.

St. John Spotlight

Javier – 1st Grade

What is your favorite aspect of school right now?

I really like how we do math in the classroom. We have groups and it's fun learning about subtraction.

What is your favorite game?

My favorite game is Monopoly. I love going around the board. The money part is also cool.

Describe your ideal day.

My ideal day would involve playing basketball outside with my brother, Joaquin.

Pamela Graham – Resource Director

Why did you decided to be a teacher?

I love children and helping them engage on their educational journey.

What is your favorite thing about St. John School?

My favorite thing so far has been the prevalence of the Spirit of God and the amazing community spirit at this school.

What is your favorite food?

I love Thai food, grapefruits, chocolate-covered strawberries, and cheese!

