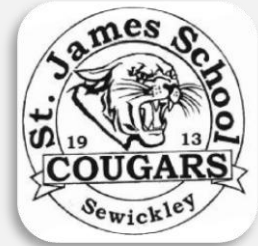




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Events

Sept 25, Fri – Race For Education

Sept 25, 6-10pm, Oktoberfest, Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

9/26 @6pm Operation Christ (OC) Monte Carlo Night

9/30, 11:30 Dismissal, no aftercare

Oct 5, 9am Golf Outing, Montour Hts Country Club

SJS Directory

If there were any errors with your Directory information, please email Renee Pompei at pompifamily@gmail.com so it can be updated. Please note, ALL information that is in the 2009-10 Student Directory was collected last spring on an orange paper that was sent home in the Wednesday folder. For those that did not fill out the form, the previous year's information including names, address and phone # were included. Thank you!

Thank You

To the Peilert family for donating an eco-

Race for Education

RACE FOR EDUCATION REMINDERS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH
COME CHEER FOR YOUR KIDS!!!!

RACE TIMES

9:00 -10:00 – K-4th
10:00 – 11:00 5th – 8th
11:00 – 11:30 – Pre-School

DRESS DOWN DAY & RACE T-SHIRTS

Race Day, Friday September 25th will be a Dress Down Day. All students are to wear their Race Day t-shirts and tennis shoes. The t-shirts will come home on Thursday. Children who are absent on Thursday, can get their t-shirts on Friday from their teacher before the race.

VOLUNTEERS

If you have volunteered to bring in juice/water or bananas please do so by Wednesday, September 23rd. Please send them into the cafeteria. If you are volunteering on Friday, please arrive by 8:05. Volunteers are needed until 11:45.

RAIN DATE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH

If the Race is postponed from Friday until Monday, both days will be Dress Down Days and everyone is to wear their Race t-Shirts both days. The One Call system will notify families of any changes in the Race.

Late Night Catechism Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are still needed for the Late Night Catechism Fundraiser! If you are interested in being a part of this fun event, our first meeting is Thursday, September 24th at 7pm in the school cafeteria – please join us! If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would still like to help out you may contact: Shari Cain 412-262-6148/ shari.cain@gmail.com or Traci Ziemkiewicz 724-266-3974/ tcziem@comcast.net .

More Help Needed on the Playground

Notice to Parent Volunteers 2009-10

With the large number of new students at SJS this year, the playground is, of course, more crowded than it has been in the past. Sr. Diane and/or Sr. Christy have been on the playground each day monitoring and trying to determine how best to allow the students to have fun and be safe. Some parents have voiced their concerns, and Sr. Christy and Sr. Diane agree that we need more supervision on the playground. Therefore, I am adding a 3rd volunteer to the playground schedule each day. This is where we need the help. Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering for the playground, or if you have questions about it. The times are 11:00am to 12:15pm. I would prefer that you commit to either one day a week or

aquarium to the Science Lab. We will now be able to keep lizards as part of our "living classroom".

To the Lander family for donating a beautiful garden rain gauge to the Science Department. It coincides perfectly with 7th Grade's upcoming "Weather" Unit and will be enjoyed by all as it is situated on St. James grounds.

Cougar Call

Have an Article you would like to have featured in the Cougar Call? Email it to mhcecca@verizon.net or go to the HSA page of the St. James Web site and fill out the form.

one day every other week, but I will work with your schedule if that isn't possible. Thank you for considering this important volunteer duty.

Amy MacDonald
mattandamy@comcast.net
412 749-9495

Operation Christ

This weekend the O.C. will host the middle school kick-off event. The Monte Carlo night for 6th, 7th and 8th graders will be held in the St. James School gym at 6:00pm following the 5:00p mass, on Saturday, September 26. All middle school aged kids are welcome! Bring a friend. The evening's admission is free of charge with some great prizes. Refreshments will be sold.

SJS Afterschool Chess Club

Students in grades K-8 are welcome to join the afterschool chess club. Please complete the form included in this week's Wednesday folder and return to the school office by Monday, September 28. Feel free to call or email Rosemary McNelis (412.766.0716 or rosemaryhmcnelis@verizon.net) with any questions you may have.

Athletic Events

9/22, 4p XC Meet at Ss.
Simon and Jude

9/25 JV & Varsity
Soccer Game Vs
Brookline Regional -
7:00 pm & 8:15 pm,
Seton LaSalle H.S. Field

9/26 JJV, 3rd Grade
Soccer, 1:15pm Ss.
Simon and Jude

9/27 JJV 3rd Grade
Soccer vs St. Alphonsus
@ QV at 2:15pm

9/27 JJV 4th Grade
Soccer vs Sacred Heart
@ Qv at 2:15pm

9/ 27, 3:00pm JV
Soccer Game Vs St.
Margaret of Scotland
3:30 pm

Girls Soccer Players Needed

The Sewickley Sentinals team is now forming and is in need of players. Any St James girl in Grades 6 thru 8 who would like to play indoor Soccer should contact Edmund Brezny at alexis331@verizon.net or (412) 299-0748

Athletics

Cross Country

Our Cross Country Cougars have had an exciting and VERY successful few weeks. The team's meets were on 9/4 at Our Lady of Grace in Mt Lebanon, 9/15 at Holy Redeemer in Ellwood City, and 9/18 at Sts Peter and Paul in Bradys Run Park. Over the past few weeks the Cougars have had some outstanding (and fast) new additions--sixth grader Charlie Veeck and fifth graders Tessa and Natalia Juliano. Charlie came in 1st for St James at the last two meets! Tessa and Natalia came in 2nd and 3rd for St James at Holy Redeemer and 2nd and 4th at SSPP! We welcome our new runners to an already great team.



The Varsity boys are running strong with Alexander Michalenko in the lead and Ryder Ballou, Leo Hill, and Lucas Peilert close behind. For Varsity girls, Bailey Tyler came in 1st overall in the last two meets and 3rd at OLG with Elizabeth Michalenko about half a minute behind followed by Caroline Jackson. There is some tough competition for our varsity runners and they are holding strong at each and every race. Great job Varsity!

With the exception of our new addition Charlie Veeck, we have a young but very strong and determined JV boy's team. Charlie is followed across the finish lines by second grader John Auth, third grader Tommy Peilert, and fourth grader Michael DiFilippo. Although we don't have enough runners to make a team (we need 5), these boys fare well in the standings of a large amount of runners at each race.

Last but not least is our JV girl's team. Victoria Michalenko placed 1st overall in the last two races and 2nd at OLG. Victoria was followed by our 4 fifth graders Tessa Juliano, Marin Auth, Natalia Juliano and Molly DiFilippo, and her fellow fourth grader Maryrose Ceccarelli. At the Holy Redeemer meet, the girl's team took 2nd place. They may run like girls, but just try to catch them!

We'll report on yesterday's meet at St Simon & Jude in next week's Cougar Call. Our next meet is on Wednesday Sept 30th. Our home meet is at Youthtowne on Oct 7th. Hope you'll come out and support your team!

Soccer

The Varsity Soccer team took on Sacred Heart this past Sunday at our home field. It was a great day for SJS soccer as our team won by a score of 5 to 0. This was our 2nd shutout of the season. Scoring for the Cougars were: Jack Matten with two goals, one via an assist by Joseph McNally, while Joseph scored a goal on a breakaway. Emma Balouch had a nice shot on goal that hit the right corner post and fell back into play and before the goalie could get his hands on it, Jenna Ponticello was already there and shot it in for a goal! Our 5th goal was a nice shot from 25 yards out by Gregory Strong. Playing some good midfield was Madison Grimes, Katherine Meurer, Cora Saftner and Lauren Kunde. Defense had another strong game lead by Gregory, Leo Hill, Hannah Renner, Rachel Osheka, Sydney McDaniel and Katie Indovina. The Varsity team now has 2 wins and no losses.

Basketball Physicals

Just a reminder to all athletes planning on participating in basketball. If you have not already had a physical for another St. James sport, all of your paperwork must be submitted prior to the start of practice.

These forms include: registration, emergency contact and, most importantly, the physician/parent release. All of these forms can be found on the St. James website under athletics and forms. If you are not able to retrieve these forms from the website, please contact Karen Grimes at 412.741.1817.