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SJLS 2017



Do not be conformed to this world,
but be transformed by the renewal of your mind

St. John's Lutheran School News February 9, 2018

Priority enrollment for the 2018-19 school year is now officially open for our SJLS families! Detailed information on the registration process was sent out in an email last week. Please contact our school office if you have any questions about this process.

There have been some close calls in our **parking lots** recently. Please remember that pedestrians are present in the parking lots and, especially if using the Children's Center lot, children occasionally dart out or are too short to be seen coming around a car. We ask that you use an abundance of caution and drive at safe speeds in all of our parking lots. The construction around the Events Center is in its final stages and we look forward to having that congestion removed in early March. Thank you for your cooperation.

Upcoming Calendar Events

February 16	Deadline to Purchase Yearbooks Online
February 19	Presidents Day – No School
February 24	Honor Music Festival, Rabobank
February 23-25	St. John's 2nd Annual Boys and Girls BB Tournament
February 26-3/2	Book Fair
March 2	Priority Enrollment Ends
March 9	End of Quarter 3 – Minimum Day

MathCounts – Congratulations to our Mathcounts championship team of Alysa Liu, Kabir Rahal, Alor Sahoo, and Avya Shukla who came in 1st place overall at the Chapter Competition at CSUB last Friday. Alor Sahoo finished as the MathCounts Individual Champion and Avya Shukla finished in third place. Harjaisal Brar finished 9th place in the Countdown Round. Our now team prepares for the state competition at UC Riverside the end of March. Thanks to Mr. Rabi Sahoo and Mrs. Shanyfelt for their leadership!

Yearbook – Yearbooks can be purchased online at <http://shop.balfour.com/smi85974/> through February 16, 2018 for \$25. Online purchases allow for personalized yearbooks and accessories. After that time, yearbooks can be purchased in the office for \$35 until sold out.

Last week our SJLS **5/6 Robotics Club** held its school championship. Eleven teams of two completed their robot builds and were able to compete in the round-robin format. Final results were 1st Place: Jude Manigque and Bryce Bickford, 2nd Place: Charley Gless and Max Wisnoff, 3rd Place: Harjaisal Brar and Danny Puga. Congratulations to a great year of building, designing, and creating!

Great effort by our school **Spelling Bee** participants: 4th grade, Manas Gill and Addison Pudiwitr; 5th grade, Kentia Kalanaki and Kyle Oluoch; 6th grade, Harjaisal Brar and Lauren Trinh; 7th grade, Amanda Ikino and Rhea Sharma; 8th grade, Alex Puga and Bellynda Trinh. At our school bee today, second place went to Alex Puga and third place went to

Rhea Sharma. Congratulations to Lauren Trinh, our School Champion, who will represent St. John's at the Kern County Spelling Bee on March 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Library – SEEKING PHOTOS! If your student enjoys reading with their pet at home, please snap a photo and email it to me. I will be displaying them in the hall as we prepare for book fair. kpudiwitr@sjlschool.org

Book Fair (Feb. 26-Mar. 2) "Paws & Read" – No library during the week of the book fair. The book fair will be open after school and at lunch recess Tuesday-Thursday. Final purchases can be made on March 2 immediately after chapel before books are packed-up. Volunteers can sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4da5ad2daaff2-book1>

"All for Books" book donations will be going to "Miracle Mutts" that provides therapy dogs to students, as well as encourages reading through "Barks & Books."

Sports – All six of our elementary teams competed in the 14th Annual Arvin 6th grade Shootout last weekend. Our team played some great games. The 5th grade girls took a team to a sudden death overtime game. Congratulations to the 6th grade girls who brought home the 3rd place trophy in the Girls Division and the 5th grade boys White team that brought home the 2nd place trophy in the Red Division. This coming weekend our 7th grade boys are competing at a tournament at Frazier Mountain High School. The last weekend in February we are hosting our 2nd Annual St. John's Invitational. There will be many ways you can help out. Please look for details to come home soon. If you are able/interested in helping please contact Mr. Spiva. Come out and cheer on our teams on Tuesdays for our elementary teams and Thursdays for our junior high teams.



Spring Bible Study – There's a seamless thread woven through every story in the Bible. Ready to replace insecurity that holds you back and move forward with clarity and confidence in your understanding of Scripture? JOIN US for Seamless, a 7-session Bible study by Angie Smith, Tuesdays 1:30-3:00 p.m., February 6-March 20 at St. John's Lutheran Church Worship Center Lobby.

Questions? Call Jenny Lewis [661-900-3904](tel:661-900-3904) or Hailey Smidt [916-769-5825](tel:916-769-5825).



There is a **Prayer Box** located on the counter in the school office for prayer requests. A team will take requests and pray throughout the week. All requests are kept confidential. "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4: 6-7.

First Presbyterian Church, 1705 17th Street, has an Indoor Soccer League for students in grades 1-6. Online registration begins January 17 with a deadline of February 17. Please pick up a flyer at the front desk for more information.



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St. John's Lutheran Church has a number of ministries and studies available to suit your needs and schedules. Please take a moment to view the website, www.sjlchurch.org/ministries, as we invite you to join us in worship, study, and community.