

**SPECIAL NEWSLETTER  
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK  
"Dividends For Life"**

**January 31<sup>st</sup> – February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, Open House

**Students and Parents reading and speaking at weekend Masses in their Parishes.**

**Book Fair** – Tours from 9:00 a.m. – Noon. Sister Laura Della Santa, R.S.M., Principal will be available for tours, answer questions and distribute material about the school after Sunday Masses.

**Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**School Mass at Saint Bernard Church**, 9:15 a.m. (parishioners and parents invited to join us) followed by Principal's Breakfast Treat for all.

**Family Dinner and Book Fair** - 5:00 p.m.-6:15 p.m. followed by **SJRS Talent Show @ 6:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**(Open House** for interested new families. Please call 352-2720 to sign up for a tour.) School Tours and information by Principal, 9:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

**Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**

Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day – 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

\*See Student Council News for "Special Sponsored Events this week.

**Please join us for a light breakfast treat of doughnuts/milk/coffee  
after School Mass on Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Family Dinner, Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** during Catholic Schools' Week is scheduled for 5:00 p.m.-6:15 p.m. The Knights of Columbus, Keene Council will be putting on our Spaghetti Dinner with proceeds going to Grades 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trips. The school will provide drinks and desserts. They will provide the spaghetti, salad, bread and friendly cooking and serving! Thank you, Knights of Columbus for your generous and helpful community/parish support!

**Cost:** \$5.00/Person – Maximum cost per Family/\$20.00/Family – (Small children may split a meal.)

**\*Student Council** is holding three Spirit Day Events for Catholic Schools' Week.

Monday: 50's Day – Come dressed in 50's themed clothing – 'Soda Fountain' during lunch – Floats \$1.00

Tuesday: Principal's Treat after morning Liturgy – Evening Family Dinner followed by SJRS Talent Show

Wednesday: Sports Day – Dress in team jerseys, hats, etc., 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. vs. Faculty Badminton Game in the afternoon

Thursday: Crazy Day – Dress as crazy as you can, but still be appropriate – loud colors and prints, etc.

Friday: Formal Friday - Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day – dress your fanciest for Grandparents' Day

Monday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> – Grs. 3 & 4 will go to the Colonial Theatre to see Mad Science: CSI 9:30 a.m.

Thursday – Mrs. Jardine and Ms. McGuire are organizing Bingo for students in 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> gr. assisted by gr. 8 and then grades 3-8 will have an opportunity to play Bingo.

**Schedule for Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day**

**Friday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>** – Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day – 12:30-2:00p.m.

12:30p.m. – Armstrong Hall – Grandparents'/Special Friends' School Assembly

- Welcome, Prayer, band and chorus
- Tour by 8<sup>th</sup> Graders
- Classroom Visits
- Book Fair

(If your child is going to go home around 2:00 p.m. with their Grandparent/Special Friend,  
please send in a note or use the slip provided, in this newsletter.)

**Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day** is a very special event as Grandparents are special people to us all. Please encourage your child to invite their Grandparent(s) or Special Friend(s) to school for this unique time. As not all Grandparents are able to be physically with us on that day, they can be with us in heart, mind, prayer and spirit. A **picture** may be brought in on that day and kept on your child's desk so they can tell their friends about a Grandparent who lives away, or about a Grandparent who is with God. They can share special memories that they may have or special memories you have shared with them, as they may only know them through you. If a Grandparent is away, **invite them to write a note** or **send a card** to school addressed to their Grandchild. We will collect them in the office and I will hand-deliver them on Friday, Grandparents' Day. We will also remember all Grandparents in a special way, in prayer, on this day and Mass on Monday morning.

**Volunteers Needed for Book Fair on Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

**Basketball Teams** are well into their season, having a great time and being very successful. Both teams are on a winning streak! Great Teamwork and School Spirit!

**SJRS High Honors and Honors**

**High Honors**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Brittany Anderson  
Sonja Hansson

7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Nicholas Bartlett  
Abbey Hoye  
Gabriel Luciani  
Alyson Mireault  
Aaron Svendsen

**Honors**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Ezra Cushing  
Brandon Feng  
Adriana Fennell  
Christopher Griesbach  
Anthony Swingle

7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
John Paul Crisman  
Jennifer Fields  
Dustin Hall  
Emily Morenz

**High Honors**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Rachel Anderson  
Jocelyn Trendell

5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Nora Brow  
Andrew Kalpakian  
Ryan Pinckney  
Rebecca Redfield  
Gianna Wilson

**Honors**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Conor Brow  
Therese Crisman  
Spencer Feng  
Jacob Gehrung  
Patrick Hamill  
Jonathan Nelligan  
Lily Pabo  
Sebastian Smith

5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Adam Betts  
Damien Canfield  
McKinley Croteau  
Moriah Pabo  
Annalise Pattavina  
Daniel Rodden  
Claire Russell  
Kathryn Sutton

**Great Work – Great Success!**

## **Saint Joseph Regional School Spelling Bee**

### Congratulations to our 15 participants

Gr. 4 – Adam Pattavina, Kaelli Gehrung, Daniel Pinckney

Gr. 5 – Ryan Pinckney, Kathryn Sutton, Rebecca Redfield

Gr. 6 – Rachel Anderson, Spencer Feng, Jacob Gehrung

Gr. 7 – Abbey Hoye, Nicholas Bartlett, Aaron Svensen

Gr. 8 – Brittany Anderson, Anthony Swingle, Christopher Griesbach, alternate for Brandon Feng

and to our runner up Rachel Anderson and school champion Brittany Anderson! Great competition and success had by all. Congratulations, Brittany who will go on to represent SJRS in the Regional Competition. Congratulations Brittany and enjoy the Regional's!

## **SJRS Math Counts Competition**

Congratulations and Thank You to all the members of our Middle School Math Counts Team that have been working hard and having fun two days a week these past three plus months. They included:

Gr. 5 – Daniel Canfield, Gerritt Coughlin, Ryan Pinckney, Rebecca Redfield, Daniel Rodden, Kathryn Sutton and Gianna Wilson.

Gr. 6 – Rachel Anderson, Conor Brow, Spencer Feng, Geordie Fifield, Jacob Gehrung, Patrick Hamill, Jonathan Nelligan and Jocelyn Trendell.

Gr. 7 – Nicholas Bartlett, Jennifer Fields, Abbey Hoye, Gabriel Luciani, Brendan Nelligan and Aaron Svendsen.

Gr. 8 – Brittany Anderson, Rebecca Betts, Brandon Feng and Sonja Hansson.

The Coach is: Mrs. Pinckney – Assistant Coaches are: Mrs. Hansson, Andrew Croteau and Nicole Lewis – Thank You! This week they have been competing to represent SJRS in the Regional Math Counts Competition. (Only students Grs. 6-8 are eligible to compete on this level. Our 5<sup>th</sup> graders are warming up and practicing hard for the future. Great attitude! The eight students who will be competing, top four as individuals and next four in Team Competition for SJRS in the Regional's at KSC next Friday are:

### Individuals

1<sup>st</sup> Aaron Svendsen

2<sup>nd</sup> Sonja Hansson

3<sup>rd</sup> Brittany Anderson

4<sup>th</sup> Nicholas Bartlett

### Team

Brandon Feng

Brendan Nelligan

Abbey Hoye

Patrick Hamill

The Champion – Top Scorer, overall for SJRS is Aaron Svendsen – Great work, Aaron!

Congratulations and best of luck to all eight students, and your coaches, who will be competing next Friday. We will miss you at Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day and will be praying for all of you to enjoy and do your best!

**Congratulations and Good Luck to our SJRS Basketball Teams** who will be going into Tournament Play over the next few weeks. Our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Team are experiencing great success and do I dare say, have a perfect record of 10 wins to date. They have worked well and hard to improve each year and grow in all aspects, and it is paying off. Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Team and 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Team are also having a fun, learning year growing and learning with practice and games while enjoying many successes.

Congratulations to all – Thank You and Good Luck in the competitions and tournaments and, above all, Enjoy!

Sister Laura and the SJRS Community

**Congratulations to Mrs. Hoye** on receiving a Grant from Elm City Rotary Club and the Rotary Club of Keene from The Success By Six Committee. Mrs. Hoye wrote the Grant for \$472.67 to purchase a Portable Light Box and a Singing Tree Marble Run. The check has been received and the order of materials placed. We are grateful to Mrs. Hoye for taking the initiative to write the Grant and to the Rotary Club for sponsoring and funding this Grant opportunity.

With gratitude and prayers,

Sister Laura

**Welcome and Thank You**

We welcome the Methods Students from KSC who will begin this coming Monday and Tuesday and continue through the semester. Two will be working and learning in the Kindergarten with Mrs. Newman and two will be working in the Language Arts and Social Studies (and observing French) with Ms. Foder, Mr. Smith and Mme Dutton, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. Thank you to our faculty for mentoring these future teachers. In March, Mrs. Moore will be welcoming a Student Teacher!

**Library News**

Thank you to Nicholas Sharrock in First Grade. Nicholas celebrated his birthday by asking his party guests to bring a book that would be donated to our Library instead of presents. We received 25 books!

Also, thanks go out to Professor David White at KSC. Through his generosity we will add many wonderful books to our collection.

And, thanks also go to the Ladies Auxiliary #819 of the Knights of Columbus and St. Anne’s Sodality for their very generous donations to the Library.

*Mrs. Bill  
Librarian*

**HELP HAITI, PLEASE! THEY NEED HELP.**

Please bring in money over the next few days because we are doing a collection for Haiti. Drop boxes will be in the office and in the Middle School Hallway. Collection will be sent to the Catholic Relief Services to help Haiti. Thank You Very Much! Please join me in praying for Haiti. They need all the help they can get.

*Ezra Cushing  
President of SJRS Builders’ Club*

**PERMISSION TO LEAVE SCHOOL WITH GRANDPARENT/SPECIAL FRIEND  
ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2009.**

\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to leave school at 2:00 p.m. with \_\_\_\_\_ and

ride home with said person(s). \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature