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Spirit Week and Homecoming

Next week is our annual Spirit Week at JPII leading up to Homecoming Weekend. This is always one of the highlights of our school year and this year we have started a new tradition to involve our entire school community.

The theme for Spirit Week is “**Hollywood Red Carpet**”. Each day will feature a special themed dress code. Those students who choose not to participate should be in the regular school uniform. For those that do, please be sure whatever costume you choose, you are appropriately dressed, or you will be asked to change. Make it fun but keep it respectful.

HOCO "Hollywood Red Carpet" THEME DAYS

- Monday: Hollywood Movie Nights (Wear your PJs!)
- Tuesday: Stunt Double (Twin Day)
- Wednesday: Barbie vs. Oppenheimer
- Thursday: Disney vs. Universal
- Friday: Adam Sandler Day (fundamentals of “Adam Sandlercore” are simple: XXL tees, oversized golf polos and Hawaiian shirts, wacky yet prudent footwear, biiiiiiig basketball shorts)

The traditional Friday Pep Rally will move to a Thursday Night Pep Rally and Bonfire for the entire JPII Community. Alumni, current students, future students from our feeder schools, as well as alumni parents, current parents, and future parents, are all welcome to celebrate with us. The evening kicks off at 6:00pm, with the celebration of our fall teams occurring at 6:30. We will have music, games and food trucks for your enjoyment. The evening will conclude with a bonfire. Please make plans to join us as we show our *Golden Warrior* spirit.

On Friday evening, the celebration moves to the Richard Gray Sports Complex, 205 Main St, Hardeeville, for the Homecoming Football Games vs the Dolphins of Hilton Heap Prep. The middle school game kicks off at 4:00pm followed by the varsity at 7:00pm. There will be a

tailgate party sponsored by XXX. At halftime of the varsity game, we will crown the Homecoming king and queen. Let's pack the Gray and cheer our Golden Warriors on to victory.

Finally, the Hollywood Red Carpet festivities conclude with the Homecoming Dance on Saturday, October 7 from 7:30 – 10:00pm.

- Open to all 9th-12th grade students
- Tickets must be purchased in advance, no tickets will be sold at the door
- Check-in from 7:30-8pm, students arriving after 8pm may be denied entry
- Students and their guests must stay until 10pm
- All 9th-12th grade guests from another school must submit a guest contract by Wednesday, October 4 (contracts are available in the front office)

JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC SCHOOL
COMMUNITY EVENT

HOMECOMING PEP RALLY

THURSDAY 10.05.23, 6-9PM

FREE ADMISSION ALL ARE WELCOME

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
A BONFIRE
FOOD TRUCKS SOUTHERN PEEL PIZZA
& LA BIRRIA LOCA
GAMES MUSIC PRIZES

It's Admissions Season

If you have not heard yet, JPll was voted **BEST MIDDLE SCHOOL** and **BEST HIGH SCHOOL** in the Lowcountry for the second consecutive year. Thank you to all who voted for us.

Despite all the well-deserved accolades and media attention, word-of-mouth remains the best marketing we have to share the good news about JPll with others. Students and parents identifying other students who would be a good fit for our school ensures that we attract the very best students to keep JPll's culture exceptional. As we will likely approach our capacity of 400 students next year, encouraging families to apply early could be the determining factor in admissions. The schedule for early admissions is as follows.

- **Sunday, October 1** – Applications Available Online for New Students and Financial Aid Applications Open
- **Monday, January 15, 2024*** – Applications for Early Admissions and Financial Aid Applications DUE
- **Week of January 26, 2024** – Early Admissions Notifications and Financial Aid Awards Mailed
- **February 15, 2024** – Early Admissions Enrollment Contract and Deposit DUE

*Applying for admission and financial aid **by January 15** will give students priority. Applications received after this date will be admitted on a space availability basis by grade. Financial aid applications received after January 15 will be placed on a wait list.

Parents play a pivotal role in the new student recruitment process. Therefore, we have begun a new referral process whereby current parents can recommend future students. A recommendation form has been created on our website. Please go to the following link to access this form. <https://forms.gle/vkiLBq3w5CQYuveh9> Once we have received the completed form our Admissions Office will reach out to the family of the student.

Another way families can assist in the recruitment process is to share school admissions events with prospective families. Coming up this week are the following events.

- **Sunday, October 1 @ 1:00 – 4:00pm** – St. Francis Parish Picnic at Honey Horn
- **Thursday, October 5 @ 6:00- 9:00pm** – JPll Homecoming Pep Rally and Bonfire
- **Monday, October 9 @ 4:00 – 6:00pm** – Fall Festival at the Sarge, 50 Country Club Drive, Ridgeland

Please be sure to invite future families to visit our Admissions Tent at these events.

From the Sports Desk

Middle School Football fell to Northwood Academy 18-6 on the road Thursday. Despite the score, the boys played a very hard-fought game. The defense was led by Russ Spencer, Jackson Millard, Zach Mulieri and Zach Moulton. Moulton had an interception and Matt Termini broke up several passes. We kept Northwood out of the endzone in the second half. Our offense was led by Dylan Gehm, who scored on a 70-yard TD pass from Moulton. Matt Termini and Jackson Millard had several great catches. Will Clarke and Patrick Merrick combined for 64 rushing yards. The Warriors are at home this Friday at 4:00pm against HHP.

Varsity Volleyball rebounded with a big Region win over Hilton Head Prep. This was the second meeting for the region foes and the Warriors took it 3-1 for the season sweep of the Dolphins. The girls tallied 36 kills on the night led by Camryn Michael and Savannah Trott each with 7, Emma McKamey added 6 and Lily Termini had 5 of her own. Lili Lutheran led at the serving line with 4 aces and defensively Lutheran also led with 27 Diggs on the night. Cayce Graves and JoJo Hill each had 15 assists to round out a great night for the Warriors. The girls will host Thomas Heyward on Monday for their big **DIG PINK** night! Come out and join us for a fun night of volleyball and fundraising for "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" Come out and be "PINK"!

VVB hosted Hilton Head Christian Academy for their first meeting of the season. The Eagles took the first two sets 25-20 and 26-24 before the Warriors struck back taking the 3rd set 25-17. But it was not to be for the Warriors as they dropped the 4th set 21-25. The two teams were well matched and there was strong play on both sides of the net. The Warriors were led by Bela Crespo with 10 kills on the night. JoJo Hill with 14 assists and Caylin Gecy and Lili Lutheran with some great defensive plays.

The Varsity Volleyball team hosted Colleton Prep for the second meeting of the season. The Warriors took the match 3-0 led by an excellent hitting attack. Lily Termini led the Warriors with 8 of the teams 28 kills on the night, Savannah Trott and Emma McKamey added 4 apiece. The team added 17 aces on the night with Cayce Graves and Lili Lutheran leading the way and Cayce Graves also led the team in assists on the night with 12.

JV Volleyball defeated Hilton Head Prep in two sets: 25-13, 25-16. Ava Stabak had a perfect 3.0 passing average. Setters Sammy Beadon and Miranda Moulton each had three service aces. Evelyn Melnick led the offense with 5 kills. Sammy Beadon had 11 setting assists.

On Wednesday, JVBB defeated Hilton Head Christian 25-14 and 25-20. Lauren Majorkiewicz had 4 HUGE kills and passed a strong 2.5. Libero Rachael Brenneman passed for a team leading 2.6. Blakely Gecy and Miranda Moulton each had three service aces.

The Lady Warriors JV Volleyball Team defeated Colleton Prep in two straight sets: 25-9 and 25-12. Blakely Gecy led the offense with 4 kills and zero errors while Miranda Moulton had 6 service aces. Strong team passing and 90% serving aided in the win.

Middle School Volleyball lost a hard-fought match against the HHCA Eagles, 23-25, 22-25. Annalise Litchfield was the standout server with five points and three aces. Cia Douglas and Ansley Reilley led the Warrior defense.

Girls Varsity Tennis defeated Colleton Prep 9-0 on Thursday.

Singles:

- Line 1: Anson Daniel defeated Sidney Bailey (6-0, 6-0)
- Line 2: Cypress Daniel defeated Ann Hatcher White (6-0, 6-0)
- Line 3: Alivia Ogden defeated Makenzie Pllum (6-0, 6-4)
- Line 4: Ann Ellise Harrell defeated Marie Molinari (6-1, 6-0)
- Line 5: Lauren Weniger defeated Makayla Odum (6-1, 6-0)
- Line 6: Alex Hahn defeated Cooper White (6-1, 6-2)

Doubles:

- Line 1: Chloe Maillet and Alivia Ogden defeated Ann Howell and Betts White (8-0)
- Line 2: Ann Elise Harrell and Joya Iskandar defeated Caroline Moliuari and Maddie Howel (8-0)
- Line 3: Leighton Wenzel and Roxy Remigio defeated Makayla Odum and Mark Moliuari (8-6)

The Girl's Tennis Team took on the Bluffton High School Bobcats in a scrimmage on Wednesday. JP11 won 4-3 with individual court results below.

Singles:

- Line 1: JP11's Joya Iskandar defeated Bluffton's Mia Guzik (3-6, 7-6 (7-2), 1-0 (10-3))
- Line 2: Bluffton's Kaylin Cunningham defeated JP11's Becca Anderson (6-2, 6-0).
- Line 3: JP11's Alex Hahn defeated Bluffton's Eliza Gray (2-6, 6-4, 1-0 (11-9))
- Line 4: Bluffton's Ellie Welch defeated JP11s Roxy Remigio (6-2, 6-1)
- Line 5: JP11's Leighton Wenzel defeated Bluffton's Mia Carens (6-4, 6-2).
- Line 6: JP11's Kelsey Anfinson defeated Bluffton's Addison White (7-5, 6-4)

Doubles:

- Line 1: Bluffton's Kaylin Cunningham and Ellie Welch defeated JP11's Becca Anderson and Roxy Remigio (8-4)

- Line 2: Bluffton's Eliza Gray and Mia Carens were ahead 2-1 vs. JP2's Alex Hahn and Leighton Wenzel. The Bluffton team had a prior commitment at 6:00pm and the match ended.

John Paul II Catholic School's varsity tennis team played Hilton Head Christian Academy at Oldfield. JP2 took the match 9-0, giving us a 4-1 record on the year. Winning for JP2 were:

Singles:

- Line 1: Cypress Daniel defeated Sophia Blackwell (6-0, 6-0)
- Line 2: Anson Daniel defeated Kate Dubose (6-0, 6-0)
- Line 3: Chloe Maillet defeated Addison Williams (6-0, 6-0)
- Line 4: Ann Elise Harrell defeated Zoe Solomon (6-1, 6-1)
- Line 5: Lainey Low defeated Savana Myers (6-3, 6-1)
- Line 6: Joya Iskandar defeated Caroline Drozd (6-4, 6-1)

Doubles:

- Line 1: Anson Daniel and Alex Hahn defeated Sophia Blackwell and Juliet Blackwell (6-2, 6-0)
- Line 2: Lauren Weniger and Chloe Maillet defeated Addison Williams and Eliza Albert (8-3)
- Line 3: Cypress Daniel and Leighton Wenzel defeated Zoe Solomon and Savanna Myers (8-5)

Cross County traveled to Johns Island on Saturday for another competitive race day. Our JP2 varsity boys finished 16th out of 37 teams. Zac Henderson led the Warriors with a time of 16:57 finishing 30th overall, out of 300 high school runners. Blake Hubik finished 44th overall with another consistent finish and a new personal record at 17:21. Other Warriors finishing with good times and new PR's were Matthew Yanachik at 18:57, Jimmy Hook at 19:35, Tim McGuire shaved 1 minute 11 seconds off his best time finishing at 21:11, and Keenen Hill had a strong finish at 21:47. Gracie Henderson continues to improve and represent the girls Warrior team, putting in a time of 27:38.

Girls Golf's regular season wrapped up with a match at Colloton River's Dye course. HHP, HHC, Bridges Prep, and JP2 competed in the last nine-hole match of the season. HH Prep won the match with the score of 191 led again by Bridget Wilkie with a 2 under 34; followed by JP2 with a score of 236 Led by Sofie Hannagan's 48 and Sydney Folscroft's 51 and HHC with a score of 238. JP2 competed in 4 matches this year and was well represented by Sofie Hannagan, Sydney Folscroft, Megan Fox and Kiera Doran. The JP2 Warriors will be represented at the State

tournament next week with Sofie Hannagan and Sydney Folscroft being the first girls to compete at the State level in golf for JP11.

I would like to thank all the parents for their support this season as well as Louise Sanders, JP11 athletic director for getting JP11 involved for the first time in high school girls' Golf. The season was a success considering 4 matches were played and at least three schools were represented at each match. We wish Sofie and Sydney the best of luck at the State Tournament next week.



Swimming had another successful swim meet hosted by Hilton Head Christian Academy on Wednesday evening. Our girls held onto their state-qualifying times, and our boys' team held onto their state-qualified positions in their relays.

Riley McGoldrick, Cypress Daniel, and Nel Winslow secured 1st place overall in their events. Cypress secured 2 first place finishes in her events overall with a 50 Freestyle (27.98) and 100 Breaststroke (1:26.59). Riley had 2 first place finishes overall in 200 Freestyle (2:14.45) and 100 Fly (1:10.42). Nel secured a first-place finish in her 500 Freestyle overall (6:12.82), and she finished second in the 100 Fly (1:22.80). Anson Daniel came in second overall in both of her

events, 50 Freestyle (30.12) and 100 Breaststroke (1:27.26). Delilah Waite-Kerns finished 3rd place overall in her 200 Freestyle (2:31.04) and fifth place in her 50 Freestyle (31.26). Our girls team placed 1st in the 200 Freestyle Relay led by Cypress, Anson, Delilah, and Riley!

Ross Putnam led our boys' team in their 200 Freestyle Relay placing 2nd overall followed by Everett Belmonte, Beau Ryan, and Leo Iskandar. Ross also led the 400 Freestyle Relay, placing 2nd overall followed by Brinson Bronson, Beau, and Leo! Ross finished 8th place overall in his 100 Freestyle (1:18.71). Leo finished 3rd place overall in his 50 Freestyle (28.96) and 13th in his 100 Freestyle (1:32.06). Beau finished 7th place overall in the 50 Freestyle (31.15) dropping his time by 0.08, and 5th place overall in the 100 Freestyle (1:14.31), dropping his time by 0.04! Brinson finished 8th place overall in the 50 Freestyle (35.50), dropping his time by 2.58, and placed 10th place overall in the 100 Freestyle (1:26.94), dropping his time by 4.52! overall, finished 12th place overall in the 50 Freestyle (38.24), dropping his time by 2.94, and 14th overall in his 100 Freestyle (1:36.05), dropping his time by 1.10!



The Warrior Way Today

As we conclude our month of SERVICE, today we recognized a student, staff member and family for outstanding service to JPIL and their community during the month of September.

Congratulations to Zach Reardon, Mrs. Anissa Sauls, and the Iskandar Family. You are a shining example of the best JPIL has to offer. On to HIGH EXPECTATIONS next month.

In His Purpose,

John C. McCarthy