

NEW PARENT ORIENTATION

2023-2024

WELCOME TO SJS!

Dear God,
Thank you for the gift of education in every form.
As our children prepare to start a new year
may confidence be their foundation,
may grace be their guide and
may hope be their compass toward a bright future.
I pray they would have eyes to see
the needs of those around them
and a heart to love well.
May they face each day with positivity
knowing that no matter
what comes their way,
they do not have to face it alone. Amen



INTRODUCTIONS



**SHAUNA
RICHARDS**

Principal
Preschool Director



**KATHY
BROWN**

Vice Principal

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JILL ORTH

Business
Manager



**CASSIDY
BLAIR**

Development
Director



**MCKENZI
VANHOOF**

Marketing
Director

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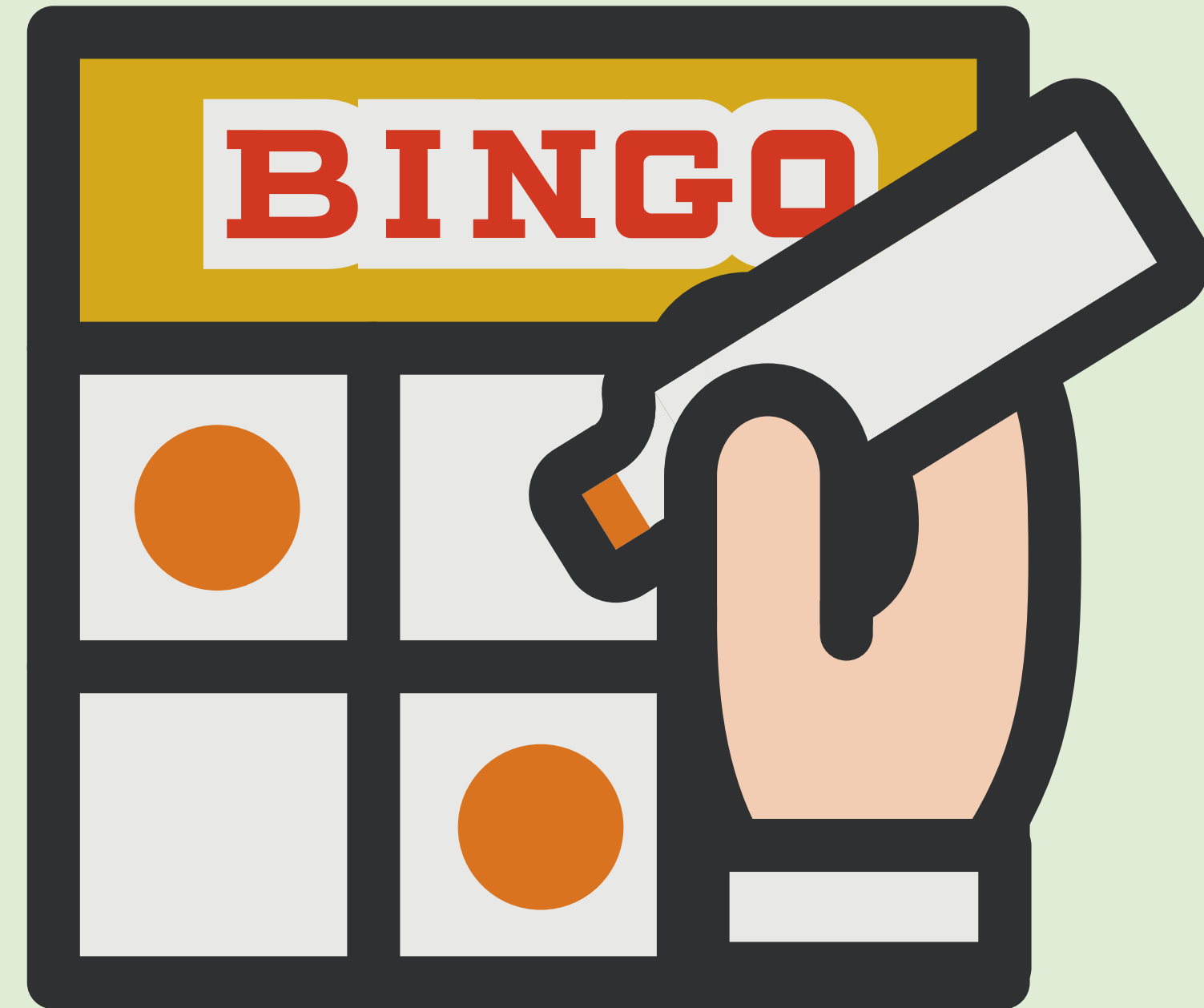


LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH
OTHER....

FIRST PERSON TO GET ALL OF THE BOXES
FILLED WITH INITIALS WINS!

YOU MUST GET INITIALS

DON'T FORGET TO YELL "BINGO"



BEGINNING OF THE YEAR EVENTS

8/28

Supply Drop off /
Meet the Teacher
PreK & Kindy
Orientation

8/29

First Day of School

Coffee & Donuts
directly after drop off

1 / 2 Day dismissal



9/1



All School Mass
for K - 8th Grade

1 / 2 Day Dismissal
for ALL students

9/8

Back to School
BBQ @ 4:30pm
in the Issaquah
Lower Parking Lot



**9/14 &
9/19**

Back to School
Nights in Issaquah
& Snoqualmie

Starts at 6:30

PREK & KINDERGARTEN DATES TO KNOW

Open Houses & Orientations -

Monday, August 28th. Please refer to the email sent out with specific times. Students CAN wear Free Dress to Open Houses

First Day of School is Tuesday, August 29th

This is a scheduled half day. Students are dismissed at 11:30 or 11:50am

First FULL day of school - Thursday, September 1st



PRE3 & YOUNG 4 DATES TO KNOW

Open Houses & Orientations -
Wednesday, August 31st - Young 4's
10am to 11am

Thursday, Sept. - Prez's
10am to 11am

First Day of School
Prez's - Tuesday, September 6th

Young 4's - Wednesday, September 7th



SCHOOL COMMISSION

The overall purpose of the School Commission is to advise and support the pastor and principal in the operation of the parish school.

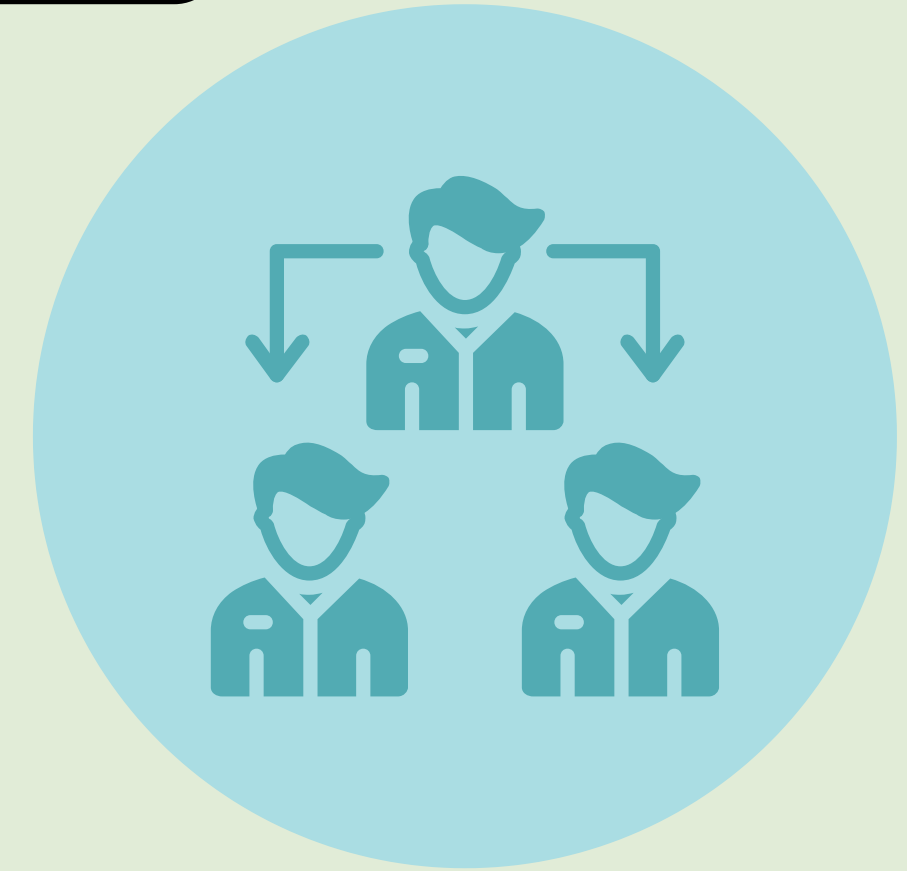
The Commission is a diverse group that reflects the composition of the parish and the school. The selected membership will consist of seven to eleven (7-11) voting members

School Commission —
St. Joseph Parish
School | Issaquah,
Snoqualmie
(sjsissaquah.org)



SCHOOL COMMISSION

The areas in which the Commission has responsibility and will be consulted are:



Planning

Policy
Development
& Formulation

Grant
Writing

Development

INTERESTED IN JOINING COMMISSION??

JOIN ONE OF OUR FOUR COMMITTEES BELOW TO SHARE YOUR GIFTS WITH
THE SCHOOL AND TAKE CARE OF YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR THE YEAR!

Planning



Development



Grants



Discernment



PARENT'S CLUB

The St. Joseph Parents' Club is committed to creating a strong, faith-based community for our students, parents, teachers, staff, and parish. The club is the primary source for parent involvement in the school.

 St. Joseph Parish School ISSAQUAH & SNOQUALMIE							SEPTEMBER 2023	
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT		
					1  1/2 • All School Mass • Half Day Release	2		
3	4  No School	5	6  First Wednesday Free Dress Day	7	8  Back-to-School BBQ & Spirit Wear Day	9		
10	11	12	13	14  Back to School Night (Sno.) & Textile Drive Starts	15   Mass	16 		
17 	18 	19  Back to School Night (Iss.) & Textile Drive Ends	20	21	22  Spirit Wear Day	23		
24	25	26	27	28	29  Mass	30		

For detailed event info and times, please visit www.SJSISSAQUAH.org/upcoming-events

PC VOLUNTEERING

Parents' Club manages all volunteering at SJS via Signup.com

Signup.com is accessible on the homepage of our SJS website and can be found through "Quick Links" and "Volunteer Signup".

Current Chairs Needed:

Book Fair Chair
October /ri

Catholic Schools Week
First week of February



Volunteers Needed:

Back to School BBQ

Book Fair

Trunk or Treat

PC FUNDRAISING

Parents' Club raises funds to support school events, supports middle school field trips, funds our yearly fundraising initiatives.

Fundraisers:

Textile Drive (September/ March)

Christmas Fundraiser (Fall)

Flower Baskets (Spring)

Golf Classic (May)



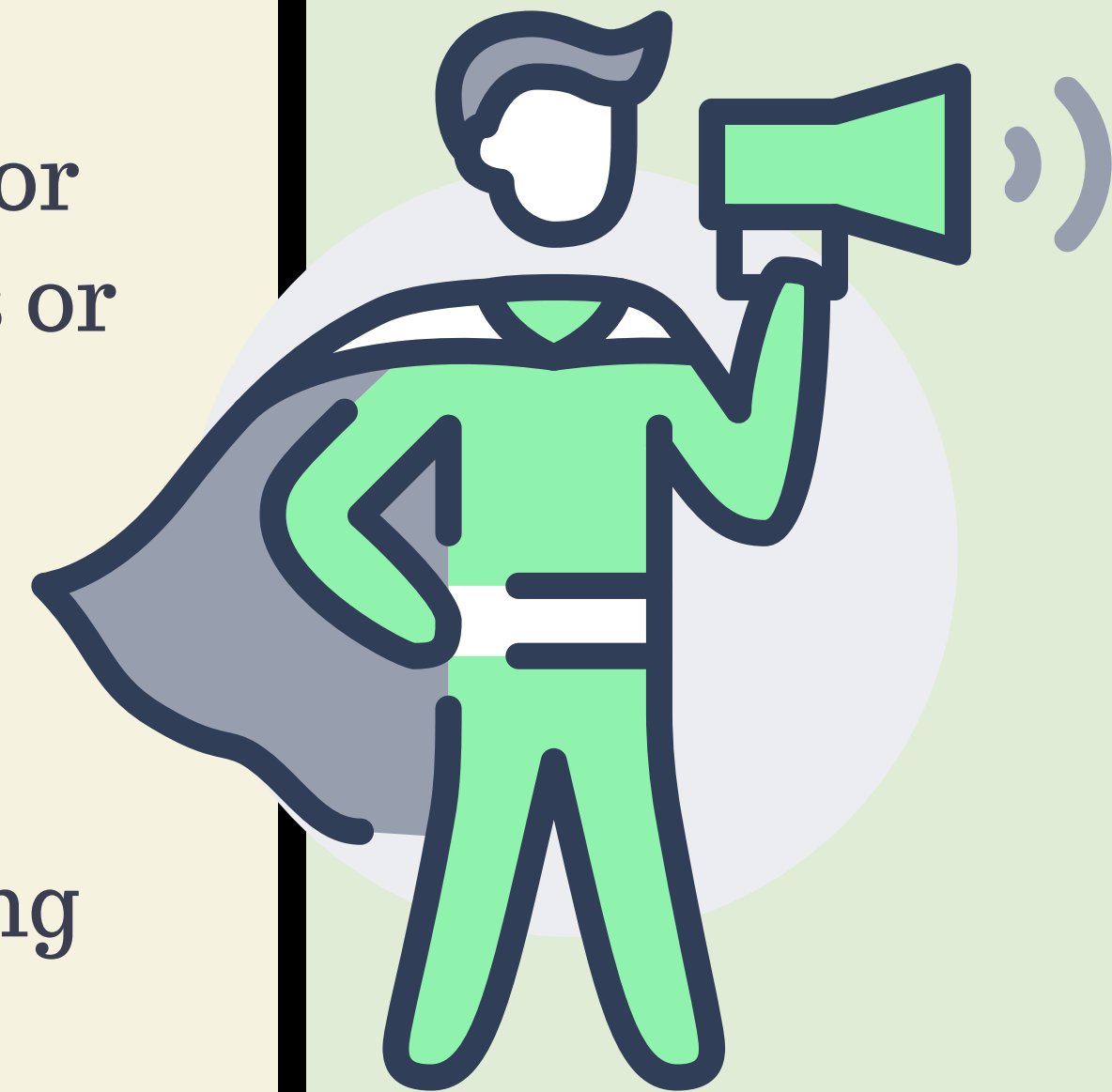
NEW PARENT AMBASSADOR

Point person for New Parents to Connect with for any questions they have

Facilitate 2 casual meet ups at the park per month for parents who want to connect with other new parents or have questions in person that they'd like to ask.

Help create connections for new parents.

Answer questions about signup.com and volunteering in general



SCHOOL FUNDRAISING - FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Families are asked to participate in 3 fundraising activities

Annual Fund

Our goal is 100% participation



Auction

Save the Date!

Saturday, April 13th
Bellevue, Marriott



Walk A Thon

October 6th



CYO SPORTS

The CYO athletics community is organized around the parish or school as it's center of activities

Soccer (K/1 co-ed & 2-8th grade)
Cross Country (K-8th grade teams)
Basketball (3rd - 8th grade)
Volleyball (4th - 8th grade)
Baseball (5th - 8th grade)
Track & Field (4th - 8th grade)
Adult CoEd softball & volleyball



CYO SPORTS CONT.

CYO Sports is dependent upon it's
volunteers.

For any questions or concerns, please
contact

Athletic Director, Bryan Morris at
morribw@gmail.com



VOLUNTEERING REQUIREMENTS

How can you get involved at SJS?

Sign your confidentiality pledge on the Parent Portal

Complete your background check through Virtus

Attend your 3 hour Safe Environment training
OR an online course

Email Anne Cogan at the Snoqualmie Office for
assistance @ snoqualmie@sjsissaquah.org



FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS WE ASK THE FOLLOWING:

Please sign in & out at the school's
office

No direct access to the classrooms

Make an appointment to meet with
your child's teacher



PBSES AT ST. JOSEPH'S

PBSES is not a curriculum, but a process of planning and problem solving that includes direct teaching of social behaviors just like academics are taught. Most importantly, it establishes ongoing behavior support that can be used by ALL students, staff, volunteers, parents and community members.

Stay
Positive!

SJS Eagles S.O.A.R

School Wide Expectations

Safe

Optimistic

Accepting

Responsible

Eagle of the Month Award

Each month a student is nominated by their classroom/homeroom teacher as well as specialists to receive the Eagle of the Month award.



STAY CONNECTED

At SJS there are numerous ways to stay connected with your Leadership team, your classroom teacher and the parish!



News from the Nest

School Admin Parent Portal

Teacher Newsletters

Thursday Folders

Text Messaging

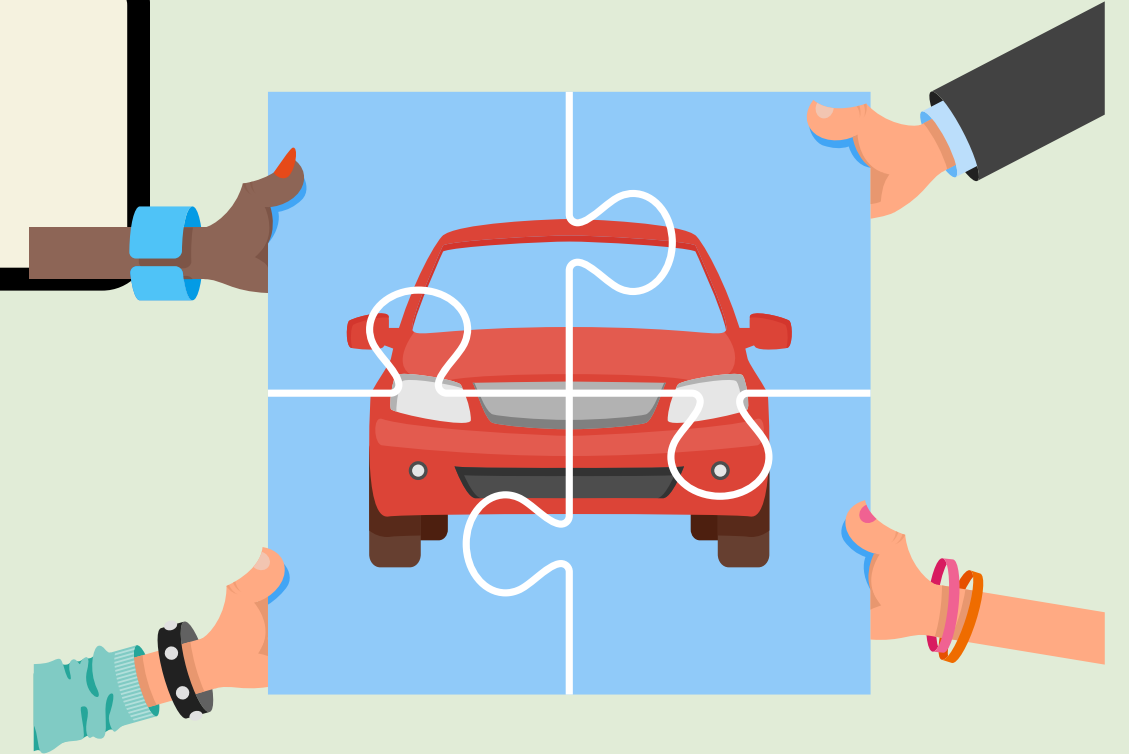
DROP OFF PROCEDURES

ISSAQUAH

Form Two Lines & Watch for
Cars in front of you.

Be **ATTENTIVE** : watch for
children at all times

Preschool & PreK Parents
Park in the Lower Lot & walk
your student inside.



SNOQUALMIE

Pull up to the steps & Drop off

Students can enter the
building at 8:10am and go to
the gym

PICK UP PROCEDURES

ISSAQUAH

Form Three Lines in the Middle
Parking Lot

Stay next to your car at all times
- please do NOT walk in between
cars to get your child

Students wait to hear "load up"
before going to their car

Use the cross walk when parked

SNOQUALMIE

Parking loop is filled

Students wait for whistle to blow
before loading their cars

Cars wait for the signal from staff to
exit parking lot



EDUCATION & MORE!

After School Specialist Lineup

Bus Procedures / Route

Academic Eats

Milk for purchase

Extended Care Information

