



CARDINAL WEEKLY

News for the Week of May 30, 2024



To build a strong sense of unity with one another, SJES Faculty and Staff wear matching t-shirts every Wednesday. These t-shirts symbolize their dedication to St. John's, its students, and the community. As an end-of-year gift for all their hard work, Mrs. Grogan and Mr. Bourke gifted every Faculty and Staff member a new St. John's t-shirt as a token of gratitude for all their hard work and a reminder of their strength as a team. GO CARDINALS!

All School

St. John's is Hosting a JoyJar Drive!

The JESSIE REES FOUNDATION is inspired by 12-year-old Jessica Reese, better known as “Jessie”. Jessie was a beautiful, athletic, smart and compassionate girl who fought two brain tumors (DIPG) from March 3, 2011 to January 5, 2012. During her courageous fight, Jessie focused on spreading the hope, joy, and love to other kids fighting cancer.

JoyJars are plastic jars stuffed full of love and fun, age-appropriate toys for kids fighting cancer. Help the Jessie Rees Foundation ENCOURAGE kids fighting with cancer to NEGU (Never Ever Give Up) by donating new toys, cards, and even small travel-sized games. The JoyJar drive will begin Tuesday, May 28 and will run through Wednesday, June 5. Please see the **attached list** for approved donation items. Thank you for your support!

Drop box locations: Middle Division Office, ECD Office, and the fountain in the SJES Courtyard

Questions/Comments: **Mrs. Tiffany Garrett**

MANDATORY: Medication Pick Up

Please pick up your child(ren)'s medication (i.e. inhaler/Epi-Pen/Auvi-Q) no later than Thursday, June 6 at 12:15 p.m. The Health Office will be closed for the summer and will reopen on Friday, August 9.

PLEASE NOTE: All prescribed medication for the 2024-25 school year requires a completed **Doctor's Order** and a parent/guardian must bring the medication to the Health Office. **All medication and completed forms must be dropped off no later than August 20.** Your child will NOT be able to start school without their medication and a Doctor's Order on file. Medication must be unexpired and in the original, pharmacy-labeled container. Please email **nurses@stjohns-es.org** with any questions.

Please Return Your St. John's Library Books

Thanks for helping Ms. Adair by returning your library books to the Learning Commons. Our SJES library books are easy to recognize on your bookshelves at home, as they have a spine label and a school specific barcode on the back of the book in the top right corner. Ms. Adair will also email return book notices to families for books that still need to make their way back to our shelves. Thank you!

Register Now: Vacation Bible School is June 17-21

Sign up now for St. John's Episcopal Church's Scuba Vacation Bible School, taking place from 9:00 a.m. to Noon beginning on Monday, June 17 through Friday, June 21. At Scuba VBS, kids will be immersed in new adventures, enjoy field-tested rotations that reinforce relevant Bible lessons, and discover what living water is really all about! With questions, email VBS@StJohns-ES.org.

Interested in Being a Room Parent Next Year?

Room Parents (RPs) are an important extension of the PTF as they serve as a liaison between teachers and parents. RPs help carry out grade and class level responsibilities. If you are interested in being a Room Parent for the 2024-2025 School Year, please [sign up here](#). Room parents will be selected prior to the first day of school, so if you are interested, please submit your request prior to July 15, 2024.

Tommy Hilfiger Sale Date Moved to June

We have fantastic news! Our **THSU sale event will now run June 17 – 23** instead of the July date we previously advertised. This will allow for orders to be received in plenty of time for back-to-school and provide more time to have sweaters embroidered. Save 10% on orders placed between June 17 and June 23, 2024. Enter **Promotion Code V48V3CGJNW** at checkout to receive the discount. This will be the last THSU sale until August – don't miss this opportunity to save! Sign up to receive promotion emails at www.globalschoolwear.com.

THSU Sizing Appointment Times Added

Would you like to size your student in Tommy Hilfiger uniforms before the end of the school year? New time slots have been added through the last week of school. Appointments can be scheduled on our Student Store website at www.sjesstudentstore.com. We will also be open in July and August for sizing and back-to- school shopping.

Athletics: Update & Congratulations!

- **PAL Track Meet Top Finishers from May 17 and 18, 2024**
 - Bruce Haldeman
 - 2nd place 3rd grade 200 M dash
 - Cassie Karafin
 - 2nd place 5th grade Long Jump
 - Lily Sarachman
 - 2nd place 7th grade 400 M dash

- 2nd place 7th grade Long Jump
 - Rali Westmoreland
 - 1st place 2nd grade 100 M dash
 - 1st place 2nd grade 200 M dash
 - Rylan Westmoreland
 - 2nd place 7th grade 200 M dash

- **PAL Championship Swim Meet Top Finishers from May 25, 2024**
 - Jia Zheng An
 - 2nd place, 4th grade 50 Yard Butterfly
 - 3rd place, 4th grade 100 Yard IM
 - Rayleigh Lopez
 - 1st place, 5th grade 50 Yard Freestyle
 - 2nd place, 5th grade 50 Yard Breaststroke
 - Kellan Naisbitt
 - 1st place, 2nd grade 50 Yard Butterfly ****New PAL Record Holder****
 - 1st place, 2nd/3rd grade 100 Yard IM ****New PAL Record Holder****
 - 2nd place, 2nd grade 50 Yard Freestyle
 - Victoria Piwonka
 - 1st place, 8th grade 50 Yard Butterfly
 - 1st place, 8th grade 50 Yard Freestyle
 - 1st place, 8th grade 50 Yard Breaststroke ****New PAL Record Holder****
 - Samuel Shi
 - 1st place, 5th grade 50 Yard Freestyle **** New PAL Record Holder****
 - 1st place, 5th grade 50 Yard Breaststroke
 - Mia Wang
 - 3rd place, 5th grade 50 Yard Breaststroke
 - 3rd place, 5th grade 100 Yard IM
 - Christina Wilson
 - 3rd place, 6th grade 50 Yard Freestyle
 - 3rd place, 6th grade 50 Yard Backstroke
 - 1st place, 6th grade 50 Yard Breaststroke
 - Mia Zalzali
 - 3rd place, 6th grade 100 Yard IM
 - Yara Zalzali
 - 3rd place, 3rd grade 100 Yard IM

Important Upcoming Dates

Early Childhood Division

Friday, May 31

- *Spirit Wear Friday*

Wednesday, June 5

- *Last Day of School for 3-Day Students*

Thursday, June 6

- *Last Day of School for 2-Day and 5-Day Students*
- *Minimum Day: Dismissal at 11:45 a.m.*

Elementary Division

Friday, May 31

- *Spirit Wear Friday*

Monday, June 3

- *Formal Uniform Day K–8*

Wednesday, June 5

- *5th Grade Promotional Chapel*

Thursday, June 6

- *Last Day of School*
- *Minimum Day: Dismissal at 12:00 p.m.*

Middle Division

Friday, May 31

- *Spirit Wear Friday*
- *6th & 7th Grade Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.*
- *8th Grade Dismissal at 11:00 a.m.*

Monday, June 3

- *Formal Uniform Day K-8*
- *6th & 7th Grade Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.*
- *8th Grade Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.*

Tuesday, June 4

- *Baccalaureate*
- *6th & 7th Grade Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.*
- *8th Grade Dismissal at 2:45 p.m.*

Wednesday, June 5

- *Commencement*
- *6th & 7th Grade Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.*

Thursday, June 6

- *Last Day of School*
- *6th & 7th Grade Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.*

Early Childhood Division



Congrats to our graduating Pre-K Class of 2024! An SJES tradition, Ms. Scott makes picture collages of every Pre-K student. These collages are made up of pictures from each student's time in the Early Childhood Division and can be viewed in the ECD Courtyard at pick up.

Cardinal Camps: SUMMER 2024

Cardinal Camps registration for the Early Childhood Division is open! Please email [Katie Scott](mailto:katie.scott@sjes.org) for more information and to register for our camps. We look forward to seeing you for one or multiple of our camps between the weeks of July 8 - August 2 this summer.

ATTENTION: Current Pre-K Families Attending Kindergarten in 2024-25

This is a reminder that the California Department of Public Health and Orange County Department of Education mandates that your child meet the immunization requirement in order to attend Kindergarten. If your student is currently enrolled in ECD, we still **need a copy of the records submitted to our office no later than August 2, 2024.**

Please submit a current copy of one of the following documents to the Health Office via fax or **email**:

- A copy of your child's yellow California Immunization Card OR
- A copy of the immunization record from your doctor's office

If you have already submitted this documentation, thank you! Pediatricians' offices tend to be extremely busy during the summer months. Please allow yourself ample time to get these mandatory documents to the Health Office. The nurse will review your child's records and you will be notified of any missing shots needed to fulfill the state requirements. California law requires that all immunizations be up to date in order for a child to attend the first day of Kindergarten. There are NO exceptions to this rule.

For your convenience, you may fax a copy of your child's immunization records to the Health Office at (949)-858-1403. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns at (949)-858-5144 ext. 223 or email us at nurses@stjohns-es.org.

Elementary Division



Last week, St. John's hosted its 20th annual Cardinal Field Day. This year's theme centered around the 2024 Olympics. Students wore colors to represent their counties, participated in various competitive activities, and of course, cheered and ran in the beloved tradition of the All School Relay. Photos from the event can be found [here](#).

K-5 Last Day of School Details: Thursday, June 6

Our K-5 Last Day of School Party is just around the corner! Next Thursday, June 6 will be a morning full of activities, games, enrichments classes, Chapel, and music and contests with DJ Mike starting at 8:00 a.m. until NOON dismissal! This is a great way to celebrate the end of the school year and the beginning of summer. Snacks and popsicles will be served during the morning. This is a FREE DRESS DAY as well and we advise that your child wears tennis shoes and brings their usual water bottle. HAPPY SUMMER!

Kindergarten: Oral Health Assessment Form is Due TOMORROW, May 31

California law requires that students enrolled in kindergarten receive an oral health assessment by a licensed dental health professional, and submit a completed **Oral Health Assessment Form** to the child's school. Oral health assessments must occur between 12 months prior to the start of Kindergarten and the end of the Kindergarten year on May 31. To fulfill the requirement, please complete and submit this **Oral Health Assessment Form**, as follows. Parent/guardian must complete:

- Section #1. Licensed dental professional must fill out and sign or stamp
- Section #2. Parent/guardian must return the completed form to the St. John's Health Office by Friday, May 31. To claim an exemption from this requirement, parent/guardian must complete Section #3 and return to the Health Office by Friday, May 31.

If you have any questions, please call the Health Office at 949.858.5144 x223.

Middle Division



We LOVE our Alumni! This week, St. John's welcomed back the 8th Grade Class of 2020 to campus. Students wore their college t-shirts, enjoyed some sweet treats, and best of all, connected with their beloved Faculty and Staff back at St. John's. We look forward to sending off another 8th Grade Class next week with the hopes that they too, come back and visit for years to come.

6th & 7th Grade Families: IMPORTANT INFO

Current 6th & 7th grade Families: LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE dates and times for finals week, dance, and last day festivities information can be found [HERE](#) (information also included in email sent to all families).

Early Dismissal Times: Please take note of the early dismissal times for 6th & 7th grade students for the coming week.

- Friday, May 31 - Wednesday June 5 at 12:15 p.m.
- Thursday, June 6 at 1:30 p.m.

8th Grade Families: IMPORTANT INFO

Current 8th grade Families: LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE dates and times for finals week,

graduation dance, and commencement information can be found [HERE](#) (information also included in email sent to all families).

Early Dismissal Times: Please take note of the early dismissal times for 8th grade students for the coming week.

- Friday, May 31 at 11:00 a.m.
- Monday, June 3 at 12:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 4 at 2:45 p.m.

ATTENTION: Incoming 7th Grade Families

This is a reminder that the California Department of Public Health and Orange County Department of Education mandates that your child meet the immunization requirement in order to attend 7th Grade in the 2024-25 school year. All documents listed below must be received no later than August 2, 2024. California law requires that all immunizations be up to date in order for a child to attend the first day of 7th grade. There are NO exceptions to this rule. There is NO GRACE PERIOD.

Please submit a current copy of one of the following documents to the Health Office via fax or **email**:

- Tdap Immunization, for (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis).
- Varicella #2 Immunization, for chicken pox.

Please note: many of your children have already been given a Tdap and/or have received their varicella #2; please check with your child's doctor.

For your convenience, you may fax a copy of your child's immunization records to the Health Office at (949)-858-1403. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns at (949)-858-5144 ext. 223 or email us at nurses@stjohns-es.org as soon as possible so we can update your child's immunization records.

Church

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