

#### **VOLUME VI ISSUE XII**

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### Day of Service is This Monday!

On **Monday, October 21st,** the JPII school community will celebrate our Day of Service in honor of St. John Paul II's Feast Day. Our team has worked very hard to ensure a day of fruitful service. We look forward to a wonderful day spent with each other and our community.

Permission slips have gone home for all students who will be volunteering off-site. Please be sure you have checked in with your child about a permission slip, signed it, and that your student has returned it. If your child did not receive a permission slip it means they will be staying on campus for their service. We will not accept permission slips on Monday due to the significant amount of pre-planning that is required.

This is a very important day for our school where we introduce and reinforce the importance of our first SHIELD Value, Service. **Participation of all students is required**. If your student does not return their permission slip, the following consequences will apply.

- No permission slip but is present on campus Monday: students will be required to hand-write a 750word essay on the importance of service using 5 quotations from the Bible. Bibles will be provided for sourcing. A more specific prompt will be available on that day.
- No permission slip and not present on campus on Monday (absent without valid excuse): In-school suspension will be scheduled for a Saturday in which the student will be charged \$75 to come to school, write their paper, and do a designated service project around the school.

Other reminders include:

- Students will report to school at their regularly scheduled time. MS students will have advisory that begins at 8:25 am as normal. HS students will report to their A Block class for attendance purposes.
- Students received their Day of Service t-shirts at House on Friday. The uniform of the day is the Day of Service t-shirts with shorts/jeans—NO LEGGINGS. Please ensure that shorts are no shorter than 6

inches above the knee. Remember that we will be travelling out in our community that day, and we want to present our very best versions of ourselves!

- Mass will begin promptly at 9:05 am
- All parents and community members are welcome to attend our opening Mass.
- All students MUST report to school for attendance and go to the opening mass.
- All students MUST ride the bus that they came on for the closing ceremonies.
- Students will have an early Dismissal at 2:15pm. All buses will depart before 2:30 pm.
- Students will be provided ham and turkey sandwiches, chips, & water. Students with food allergies of any kind are encouraged to bring their lunch from home.
- Students assigned to the following locations will need to wear work clothes, & strong work shoes (or work boots) for various cleaning tasks:
  - Jaxville Cemetery
  - Campus Clean-Up
  - o Garden Club
  - o Lowcountry Outreach
  - o St. Peter's Catholic Church
  - o Maritime Center
  - Daughters of Charity Residence
  - o Jasper Animal Rescue Center
- If your student is scheduled to work outside, be sure that she/he packs sunscreen, bug spray, and a water bottle.

If you have any remaining questions, please reach out to Mr. Rivera at <u>joseph.rivera@johnpaul2school.org</u>. We are grateful for your continued prayers, support, and desire to help your child become a servant leader within our community.

"How many volunteers, through courageous commitment to their neighbor come to discover the faith! Christ, who asks to be served in the poor, speaks to the heart of the one who places himself at their service. He makes them experience the joy of disinterested love, that is the fountain of true happiness." **St. John Paul II** 

#### **Save These Two Important Dates**

There are two important dates coming in early November that all parents should pay careful attention to.

Saturday, November 2 will be our first ever JPII Parent Fall Fest. This rain or shine event is scheduled to be held outdoors from 6:00 – 9:00pm on the beautiful JPII campus. Food, wine and beer will be available and musical entertainment will be provided by the Bull Grapes. This is an opportunity for our community to come together as one and celebrate. Tickets are \$30 per person and are limited so purchase yours today at the link below.

https://www.johnpaul2school.org/student-life/tickets-clone

**Monday, November 4 is the date for the annual State of the School Address.** This will be my 6<sup>th</sup> and last time addressing the JPII community on the current state of the school and plans for the future. We will announce tuition rates for the 2025-26 school year, provide an update on the president search, and give an overview of the campus improvement plan and next steps. The address will take place virtually on Facebook Live beginning at 6:30pm. There is an opportunity for audience participation. Please mark your calendars.

## Last Day to Share Your Opinions – The Survey Ends Today

The annual parent survey must be completed by today. To date only 26% of our families have responded and we need at least a 30% participation rate for the survey to be valid. We can do this!. Please take a few minutes to complete this important survey and provide us feedback on what we do well and how we need to improve. Thank you.

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## **Afterschool Pickup Line Essential Safety Information**

When in the pick-up line, drive as far ahead as possible as guided by our staff, before loading or unloading your child(ren). This helps to get as many cars as possible into the safe zone to move students in and out of cars. And please load and unload students only in the safe zone next to our front sidewalk.

- Please stay in your car if you need to get out of your car for any reason, please park in the visitor spaces.
- Your children should load and unload on the right-hand side of your vehicle next to the safe sidewalk. It is not safe to have students enter/exit on the left as they are then exposed to moving vehicles!
- When you can safely do so, please merge into the left "passing" lane to exit from the queue. And please, do this slowly and safely in conjunction with the other parent drivers.
- At all times, please wear smiles and have patience! We are doing the best we can to keep our kids safe—and you should assume all other parents have only the best intentions in mind when they, too, are on our campus.
- Stop at crosswalks to allow students to pass.
- Stay 100% attentive please no cell phones while you drive, especially on our campus; little bodies can dart fast from one place to another, and they can be hard to see from the driver's seat. And ... remember those smiles!

#### **Student Activities**

#### **Upcoming Schedule of Student Activities**

October 21st: Day of Service

October 24th: 7th grade retreat (@ St. Peters)

November 1st: All Saints Day Mass (FRIDAY) and Senior Honoring @ Football game

November 11th: Teacher in-service- NO SCHOOL

November 13th: Veteran's Day Mass

November 17th: Open House

November 22nd: Friendsgiving and Powderpuff final

### JPII Career Fair will be October 29

On **Tuesday, October 29, we are planning a mini-Career Fair for our juniors and seniors**. We will use B Block (10:25-11:50) for students to hear about one career in which they have expressed interest. Since our space is limited, we will be using the 10 modular classrooms, as well as a few smaller spaces, to host this event. We are hoping that you will share your expertise in one of the following areas as a presenter (see our needs below).

- Business, Finance, Marketing, Real Estate (20 minutes each, 4 presenters)
- Computer Programming, Cyber Security (40 minutes each, 2 presenters)
- Forensic Science, Law Enforcement, FBI K9 Officer (25 minutes each, 3 presenters)
- Engineering (Mechanical and Civil), Architecture, Landscaping (20 minutes each, 4 presenters)
- Journalism, Broadcasting (40 minutes each, 2 presenters)
- Law (40 minutes each, 2 presenters)
- Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry (25 minutes each, 3 presenters)
- Oncology, Radiology, Ultrasound, Dermatology (20 minutes each, 4 presenters)
- Pilot, Flight Attendant (40 minutes each, 2 presenters)
- Physical Therapy, Athletic Training, Occupational Therapy, Sports Management (20 minutes each, 40 presenters)
- Psychology, Psychiatry, Neuroscience, Counseling (20 minutes each, 4 presenters)
- Electricity, Plumbing, Auto Mechanics, Welding, Construction Management (15 minutes each, 5 presenters)

If you work in any of these areas and are willing to make a 20 minute presentation including the preparation needed for your career, why you chose it, what a typical day looks like, and salary and benefits, please contact me Sister Mary Beth via email at <u>marybeth.kubera@johnpaul2school.org</u> before October 15.

#### **From the Sports Desk**

**Varsity Volleyball** travelled to Trinity Collegiate for their final region match of the regular season. The Warriors took the match in straight sets winning 3-0! Strong hitting again was the highlight of the match with 9 different hitters making their mark. Lily Termini, Emma McKamey and Lauren Majorkiewicz each tallied 6 kills, Camryn Michael, Savannah Trott and Blakely Gecy added 5 apiece as well. JoJo Hill notched 22 assists on the night along with Miranda Moulton who added 9! Alainna Hill was powerful from the serving line with 4 aces and Lily Termini led the team with 5 blocks on the night. Defensively it was a team effort with 13 different Warriors doing their part! This win puts the Warriors at 7-1 in the region and gives them their 1st ever Region Championship!!! The team now heads to Myrtle Beach to begin the 2024 SCISA State Tournament today.

**JV Volleyball** defeated Trinity Collegiate in two straight sets: 25-14 and 25-21. Chase Brienza was on fire with 5 kills on 9 attacks with zero errors! The team had 15 service aces, 5 of them from setter Ava Stabak. Alivia Ogden, Ava Stabak, and Gabby Heathcott had perfect serve receive passing. The defense was equally dominant with 15 digs and 2 blocks. The girls will finish their season with the rescheduled Dig Pink match next week against Beaufort Academy. Please come out and support the girls as they wrap up an outstanding season and raise money for breast cancer research.

**Middle School Volleyball** took the 2nd place trophy in the HHCA tournament. We opened with a bye, then took Riverview Charter in 2 straight sets (25-19, 25-15). The host team Eagles of HHCA, beat our Warriors (16-25, 23-25). Our girls are off to Charleston for the Diocesan Tournament on Friday and Saturday.

Our Warriors started the busiest week of the season by beating the Riverview Charter Stingrays in straight sets (25-21, 25-23). Our serving leader was Seanna Hill with 6 points followed closely by Eileen O'Sullivan, Ansley Reilly and Gracie Cotter all with 5 points each. Destiny Godsun, Taryn McKamey, Ansley Reilly provided strong defense. The offense was led by Seanna Hill & Taryn McKamey with 5 kills each with 3 kills added by Destiny Godsun.

**Middle School B-Team Volleyball** were on the attack as they took on Riverview for their last match of the season. The girls came out strong and didn't stop, winning in two quick sets, (25-11 and 25-10). Bella Reed led the first set in points with 7. Gabi Pavlick, Addison Reilley, and Cecelia Pimentel each had 5. Haven Leonard and Gianna Colella aided the team with great defensive plays. Riley Covington led the second set with 7 points scored. Ella Meadows had 6 of her own, followed by Ella Bekemeyer with 5. Maddie Hardy, Kayln Graves, and Bianca Ramirez were an unstoppable defensive trio with digs at the net that kept the momentum going through the second set. Our Lady Warriors had a fantastic season going 7-1!!! They demonstrated passion and desire to not just walk away from the court with a win but walk away better than they were when they stepped on it. What a great season!

Varsity Football put on a show this past Friday afternoon at Hilton Head Prep. Things finally clicked for JP2 as both the offense and defense kept the Dolphins in check for the entire game. The Warriors offense dominated the run game with 342 yards rushing. Bryant Jolley toted the ball 26 times for 218 yards and 4 touchdowns. Alan Wolf added 79 additional yards rushing on 11 carries with 1 touchdown and Andrew Boyden carried 7 times for 40 yards and a touchdown. Thomas Gehm was our leading receiver with 3 catches for 42 yards. Our defensive standouts for the game were Daniel Snyder with 7 tackles, Sebastian Slusne with 7 tackles and 2 tackles for loss, and Lukas Yackley with 4 tackles, 3 sacks, and a forced fumble. The Warriors led at halftime 34-0 and forced a running clock in the 2nd half. The final score was 40-0 JPII Warriors. This win broke a 13 "away game" losing streak which started during the 2022 football season. This was also the third shutout recorded in the history of JP2 varsity football which is a great accomplishment by our defense. Friday, we take on Thomas Heyward Academy at our home field in Hardeeville @ 7:00pm. Come out and cheer on our guys for Homecoming! Parent tailgate before the game. Go Warriors!

**Cross Country** had an excellent race day at Jasper Park, where both our middle school and high school athletes ran very strong races. Our varsity teams traveled to Wilson Hall to compete in the 4A regionals. Both teams placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, with the boys close behind Wilson Hall's team by only four points. We had four boys in the top ten: Sebastian Frickel (2<sup>nd</sup>), Blake Hubik (6<sup>th</sup>), Matthew Yanachik (7<sup>th</sup>), Brayden Frickel (10<sup>th</sup>). We also had 3 girls in the top ten: Ayla Reynolds (2<sup>nd</sup>), Abby Brock (6<sup>th</sup>), and Trice McClure (8<sup>th</sup>). Our middle school will be

competing next Tuesday at the middle school regional championships, and our varsity will be competing at Heathwood Hall next Saturday for the state championships.

**Girls Golf** competed in their first ever women's State Tournament (as a team) held at Orangeburg CC. In the 36 holes event JPII finished in 11th Place with a 2-day score of 889. The tournament title was captured by Trinity Collegiate with a 2-day total of 713. Scores and final results can be found on the SCISA website. 15 teams participated in the event and the JPII Warriors were led by Sofie Hannagan with a 2-day total of 178 finishing in 12th place overall. Sydney Folscroft finished in 29th place with a 2-day total of 207, Katie Zang finished in 57th place with a score of 236 and Kiera Doran finished in 70th place with a 2-day total of 268.

Varsity Swimming attended the 2024 SCISA State Championship on Saturday, October 12th, in Charleston, SC. We were one of 27 schools participating in the competition, with nearly 300 swimmers from around SC entered. Our senior swimmer, Cypress Daniel, was one of several celebrated during the senior recognition ceremony. The competition was solid, and our Swimming Warriors brought strength, endurance, and power to our championship finale! Results for SCISA 4A Schools Division: JPII Warriors Girls Team Ranked 14 overall of 27 SCISA Participating Schools 200 Medley Relay: Winslow, Daniel C, McGoldrick, Daniel A - came in 6th place overall at 2:11.24, dropping over 5 seconds. 200 Freestyle Relay: Daniel A, Hannagan, Waite-Kerns, McGoldrick – came in 10th place overall at 2:01.36. 400 Freestyle Relay: Winslow, Hannagan, Waite-Kerns, Daniel C – came in 5th place overall at 4:33.49 – dropping over 13 seconds! Lady Warrior's Individual Events: Cypress Daniel came in 2nd in her heat for the 50 Freestyle (28.10), placing 8th overall and 13th overall in her 100 Breaststroke (1:26.93). Riley McGoldrick came in first in her heat in the 100 Butterfly, placing 6th overall (1:09.50), dropping almost 4 seconds. She was also 2nd in her heat for the 200 Freestyle (2:19.24), placing 7th overall, again dropping over 4 seconds. Delilah Waite-Kerns placed 15th overall in her 50 Freestyle (30.12) and 14th in her 100 Freestyle (1:07.40), dropping over 2 seconds combined. Anson Daniel came in first in her heat in the 100 Breaststroke (1:24.41), dropping over 5 seconds and placing 8th overall. She also placed 17th in her 50 Freestyle (30.39). Nel Winslow came in 3rd in her heat for the 100 Breaststroke, placing 14th overall (1:29.06), dropping over a second. She also placed 8th overall in her 100 Backstroke (1:14.93). Sofie Hannagan came in 2nd in her heat for the 50 Freestyle (31.10), placing 24th overall. She was also 2nd in her heat for the 100 Breaststroke (1:33.53), placing 19th overall, dropping over 2 seconds combined. Gentleman Warrior's Individual Events: Leo Iskandar placed 34th in his 50 Freestyle (28.92) Beau Ryan came in 2nd in his heat for 50 Freestyle (29.77), placing 36th overall and 28th overall in his 100 Freestyle (1:09.06). Brinson Brosman came in 2nd in his heat for the 100 Backstroke (1:14.65), placing 14th overall. He also placed number 33 out of 44 swimmers in his 50 Freestyle (28.84)

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### **Upcoming Admissions Events**

Our Admission Season for the 2025-26 school year kicks into gear this October. With JPII expected to hit capacity quickly, we are encouraging all those interested to apply no later than January 31. With that in mind, if you know of a family that's considering enrolling, please give them a heads up to attend one of our Fall Admissions events listed below.

- October 20 at Holy Family Catholic Church @ 8:00am and 11:15am
- October 27 at St. Peter's Catholic Church @ 9:00am and 11:00am
- November 2 and 3 at St. Gregory the Great Church @ 4:00pm and 6:00pm (Sat) and 9:00am and 11:00am (Sun)
- November 10 at St. Francis By the Sea Catholic Church @ 9:00am and 10:30am
- November 17 Open House @ 1:00 3:00pm

# **Immediate Opening**

# **Technology Education Teacher**

If interested, contact John McCarthy @ john.mccarthy@johnpaul2school.org

In His Purpose,

John & McCarthy

John E McCarthy President