



# SJPII Family Fact Sheet 08/13/2021

“Jesus Christ is the Same- Yesterday, Today and Forever!”



Dear Families,

## *Know the Truth and the Truth will set (make) you free. John 8:23*

As school starts, please take a moment to reflect upon our theme for this year. It was chosen for more than one reason. Knowing the truth is a prime objective in education, a notion well worth pondering. Setting or making one free is the ultimate purpose of a true, Catholic, liberal arts education. Such was founded in ancient Greek philosophical ideals and later substantiated by the Church. Freedom as education’s end has clear theological roots, leading to our ultimate goal, eternal happiness. St. John Paul reminds us that this type of freedom is the freedom to choose to do good, to take personal responsibility for moral behavior. In this sense, the goal of education is liberty. Such liberty begets virtue. Virtue brings about happiness.

While a weighty notion, I ask that you give it some reflection. Allow us to put our theme into action for you and further unpack this ideal as the school year progresses. We are excited to welcome you and your children back to school. Please know that we are ready, willing, and able to support you in your responsibility as your child’s primary educator. With you, we wish to foster your child’s full potential in Mind, Body and Spirit. Visit *John 8* to find the full context for this year’s academic theme.

Caritas in veritate,  
John Donohue

### **NEW AND EXCITING**

- “Cargo Connect” is this year's LEGO™ Robotics Club theme. Any interested 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders should plan to attend the Orientation Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 24, 2021. The group will meet in the Tru-Legacy Activity Center after school until 4:30 pm. Contact Lori Haley ([lhaley@jp2catholicschool.org](mailto:lhaley@jp2catholicschool.org)) with questions.
- 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>-grade students are invited to attend the 8<sup>th</sup>-grade-sponsored "Back to School Night" on Monday, August 16, 2021 from 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm. Activities will include an ICEBREAKER, a SCAVENGER HUNT, and REFRESHMENTS. Contact Lori Haley ([lhaley@jp2catholicschool.org](mailto:lhaley@jp2catholicschool.org)) or Lori D'Argenio ([ldargenio@jp2catholicschool.org](mailto:ldargenio@jp2catholicschool.org)) with questions.
- Mrs. Bennett and Ms. Richard will be starting a Rosary Club for grades 1 through 8. The date for the first meeting will be Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:15pm to 4:30pm in room 6. The club will make Rosaries. It will also teach the prayers of the Rosary, examining their history and purpose, while praying for our school, our community, and the world. Contact Christine Bennett ([cbennett@jp2catholicschool.org](mailto:cbennett@jp2catholicschool.org)) with questions.
- Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>: *Willy Wonka, Jr.* auditions will be after school in Room #13. A Sign-Up Genius will be sent to parents on or before Wednesday, August 25, 2021. Contact Lori Haley ([lhaley@jp2catholicschool.org](mailto:lhaley@jp2catholicschool.org)) with questions.
- **POSTPONED:** PTO Welcome Back Night, Block Party, and Family Movie, originally scheduled for August 27<sup>th</sup> has been postponed until further notice.

### **REMINDERS**

- School Supply Lists for each grade and Reading Lists for grades 1 through 8 are located on the school website <https://www.sjp2catholicschool.com>
- Emails have been sent to all families regarding this school-year’s COVID-related requirements as put forth by the Dioceses of Raleigh. If you’ve not received this new and very important component of our upcoming school procedures, please make certain you have updated your contact information in RenWeb/Facts® and direct any needed clarifications to the school office at (910) 692-6241.
- Teacher workdays continue August 11<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **UPCOMING AT SJPII:**

- Saturday August 14, 2021- PTO Campus Clean Up/Used Uniform Sale (8:00 am -12:00 noon)
- Monday August 16, 2021- Back to School Night, school supply drop-off, and meet the teachers (5:30pm – 6:30pm)
- Wednesday August 18, 2021- Students first day of school. Drop off will begin at 7:30 am and school begins at 7:55 am.

### **SCHOOL ENDS AT 3:00pm.**

- Wednesday, September 1st - *Willy Wonka, Jr.* auditions will be after school in Room #13.

### **HOW CAN WE HELP?**

If your family is having hardship during the pandemic and your SJPII family can help, please reach out. Our thoughts and prayers are with every family as we navigate through this uncertain time. We are in this together!