

Ss. Philip and James School News



Twenty-second Week of School

February 4, 2016

SPJ 2016 Family Literacy Night



On Friday, Jan. 29, SPJ's preK-3 teachers held "Literacy Night," a celebration of reading and stories! The more than 50 attendees enjoyed having stories read to them, creating crafts, drinking hot chocolate and eating popcorn! At the end of the night, each student received a free book!

On Thursday, grades 5-8 competed in the 2016 Academic Challenge, featuring three rounds of questions on Social Studies, the New Testament, and numbers. The fifth grade won the competition, and got to enjoy two dozen donuts from Peace, Love, and Little Donuts!

2016 Academic Challenge



SPJ Student Does Radio Program with Bishop Murry



SPJ 8th grader Grace Bentzel recently participated in a radio interview (along with three other area Catholic students) with Bishop Murry at the Living Bread 1060 AM Radio Station in Canton. Students at SPJ were asked to submit questions at random, and Grace's was picked; she then traveled to the radio station on Feb. 3, got to meet the Bishop, and ask him her question regarding ways that U.S. Bishops are striving to increase enrollment in Catholic Schools!

SPJ Students Visit Local Retirement Communities

SPJ students visited two local retirement communities, Jackson Ridge and Chapel Hill, on Feb. 3. While there, our students played bingo, cards, and shared conversation with the residents.



2016 SPJ Spelling Bee



The 2016 SPJ Spelling Bee was held on Monday, Feb. 1. It was a great battle featuring 27 spellers who gave it their all! The top three finishers were 7th grader Macy Bachtel (3rd), 8th grader Grace Bentzel (2nd), and 8th grader Preston Mitchell, who won by spelling the word “nidology,” which means, “The study of birds’ nests.”

Science Fair

The SPJ Science Fair will be held on Feb. 18 from 6:30-7:30, and attendance is required for students in grades 5-8.

Sports

The SPJ girls 3/4 basketball team won a key game this past weekend against Chippewa 6-2 to get them into their league championship game against Tuslaw, which will be at 12:00 this Sunday! Good luck, Spartans!



2016 Silent Auction/ Reverse Raffle News:

Reverse Raffle: Parents, please find in today’s Thursday Folder a yellow form titled, “Reverse Raffle.” Please return the bottom portion of the form as soon as possible and check one of the choices at the bottom to get credit for your son/ daughter. Last year, we had 100% participation! The Silent Auction Committee will treat all winning classes to an Oser’s field trip!

Next Meeting: Please join us at the next Silent Auction Meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 6:30 in Mrs. Morber's room.

Dinner Tickets: Dinner tickets are now available. See the form included in this week’s Thursday folder and reserve your spot soon!





Home and School News

February is the second Box Tops collection drive of the year – be sure to send in your box tops in bag marked with your child’s name; the homeroom that brings in the most box tops per student (average) will be awarded cupcakes delivered to their room!

Upcoming Events:

- Feb. 5 – Bowling Trip to Park Center Lanes
Pep Rally @ 2:30 following bowling
- Feb. 8 – Quaker Steak & Lube SPJ Fundraiser Night (5:00-8:00)
**Form in this Thursday folder is required at purchase*
- Feb. 9 – Silent Auction Meeting @ 6:30 in Mrs. Morber’s room
- Feb. 10 – Ash Wednesday (School Mass this day)
- Feb. 11 – School Musical
-Dairy Queen Fundraiser immediately after the musical
- Feb. 12 – NO SCHOOL
- Feb. 15 – NO SCHOOL
- Feb. 16 – Parent/ Teacher Conferences
- Feb. 18 – Science Fair