We are praying for our school families and all the people who support SCJN, for Judy McMahon, Gabrielle Noto, Brian McDade, Art Smith, five special intentions, for peace and justice throughout the world, and that we have the courage to be kind and accepting of each other.

WHAT’S HAPPENING AT SCJN THIS WEEK...


BRYN MAWR AVENUE LANE RESTRICTIONS: February 24, 2020 through August 2020, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (Penn DOT) will be reconstructing (3) masonry arch bridges on Bryn Mawr Avenue, located between Wooton Road and Barbara Lane (2) by St. Aloysius and (1) closer to Wooton Road). The work will be completed using one lane traffic patterns with temporary traffic signals to accommodate the proposed work. It is anticipated that the lane closures will be up until August 14, 2020. THE LANE CLOSURES WILL BE 24/7 FOR THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT, WITH THE WORK ZONE BEING ADJUSTED TO THE SPECIFIC CULVERT. TRAFFIC WILL BE CONTROLLED BY TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

SOCIAL JUSTICE PROJECT: During the month of March, the 5th grade at SCJN will be completing their Social Justice Project. The students will be collecting any non-perishable food items from each class in the school to support the Ancient Order of the Hibernians. This group is based in Havertown, PA and is focused on the preservation and promotion of Irish Roman Catholic Culture. One of their main objectives is to volunteer their time and talent to perform community service for those in need. This is a great opportunity for the students at SCJN to support Pope Francis’ belief that the more fortunate have an obligation to help the poor! It is important that the donation is a sacrifice the children are making. Please have your child earn the money needed to purchase the donation by doing something extra around the house. The students could also give up a treat and use the money that would be spent on the treat towards the purchase of the donated goods. The donated food will be given to local food banks in both Delaware and Philadelphia Counties.

SPRING SHOW TICKETS: THE LION KING JR show runs the weekend of March 13-15. See attached order form to purchase tickets. Any questions please contact the Director, Ellen Soldieritsch at ellen.soldieritsch@scjnschool.org

NOTHING BUNDT CAKES FUNDRAISER: How do you gear up for the Easter holiday and support your school? Nothing Bundt Cakes of Course. These Gourmet Cakes will provide you with the ultimate gourmet experience, whether for your Easter celebrations, a gourmet gift for someone special or just a treat for you and your family. Try one or all five of the Bundt selections. Place your order for an 8” cake through our fundraiser and Nothing Bundt Cakes will donate $5 for each cake back to our school. So ask your friends and family and don’t delay. You have until March 27 to get your orders in. Orders will be available for pickup in the school lobby, Wednesday, April 8 (Grandparent’s day). Any questions please contact Suzie Cush: smomenee@yahoo.com or 610-547-1814. Click here for order form.

ANNUAL FUNDRAISER & CYO PARTY: The annual fundraiser and CYO Party will be held on Saturday, March 21 at 7pm. If you have not signed up for our March 21 fundraiser, you can click this link to register online. https://squareup.com/store/scjn-fundraiser Need front row seats for your family or for grandparents? The SCJN CYO Program has a great opportunity for you to bid on or purchase 10 front row tickets to see SCJN’s The Lion King Jr. this weekend. Multiple families can even split a row. Please click this link to bid before Thursday at 3pm https://www.32auctions.com/2020lionking We will have a great band, live auction, gift baskets, awesome food and drink. It will be a lot of fun. Bring your neighbors, your friends, all are welcome! The theme is 90’s this year so we encourage everyone to dress up in their favorite 90’s gear. The fun starts at 7pm. All proceeds go to support our kids. We rely on these fundraising events to continue to support the great sports programs and facilities we offer our youth. We really appreciate your support!

GIANT A+ REWARDS: March 14 is the last day to earn money for SCJN School through the Giant A+ Program for this school year, so you still have time to sign up! Once you sign up, you will be automatically signed up for next year. Do you shop at Giant or order from Peapod? You can support SCJN School while you are doing your shopping by simply registering to participate in the A+ School Rewards Program. For complete details on registering for this program please see the Parent Letter and the NEW Supporter instructions attached to this update. If you registered before and don’t need to make any changes, you do not need to re-register your card if your school selection(s) remains the same as last year. This program earned SCJN School over $1,100.00 last year.

WILMINGTON BLUE ROCKS: There is an exciting opportunity coming this spring for students in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade to showcase their vocal talents! On Saturday April 25, the students have been invited to sing “The Star Spangled Banner” before the evening Wilmington Blue Rocks baseball game. Deadline for tickets is March 25. Check out the attached flyer for more information and come on out for a fun night!

EITC SEMINARS and ENROLLMENT FORMS: EITC is putting a Catholic Education in reach! The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program offers a PA tax credit of 75% for a one year commitment and a 90% tax credit for a two year commitment. EITC also provides valuable tuition assistance opportunities to families who wish to provide their children a Catholic Education. Please consider supporting Foundation for Catholic Education through EITC contributions in 2020 and beyond. For example, with EITC, you can donate $10,000 to Catholic Education with a net outlay of just $1,000! More information on monthly seminars, timelines and enrollment forms can be found on the Foundation for Catholic Education’s website. Feel free to contact Maggie Oliver with questions.

AMAZONS MnI: If you shop on Amazon, why not shop AmazonSmile? AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to SCJN School - no fees or extra cost to you! Click here for more information.

THE NEW AND IMPROVED BOX TOPS PROGRAM: ATTENTION ALL SCJN PARENTS! Earn free cash for SCJN. The Box Tops program has recently changed. No more clipping. No more sending Box Tops to school. All you need is your phone. Download the ALL-NEW Box Tops app, designate SCJN as your school of choice, scan your grocery receipts, and the app will automatically credit SCJN’s Box Tops earnings account online. If you still have any non-expired clipped Box Tops at home, please send them into school. Click here for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Voegle at jane_voegele@msn.com
WALKING WITH PURPOSE: Walking With Purpose, a parish group of women, invite you to a morning/evening of spiritual nourishment. We will be hosting a “Connect Coffee” gathering - video talk and discussion about the truths of our faith and how God has our best interest at heart. Discussions will enlighten us on keeping God our first priority and keeping a balance with the daily demands, by embracing what God really asks us to be. We welcome you and we look forward to you joining us. (Mary Beth Wolarin, Susie Rassie, Katie Keating and Teenie Bracken), on March 24 & 25 from 9:00 – 11:00 am (Morning Babysitting available - Infants are welcome to stay with Moms if you wish) Questions? Email: wwpsjn@gmail.com Parish Life Center

SCIENCE EXPLORERS: Science Explorers is returning to SCJN for the school year! This club is offered on various Thursdays from 3-4pm for grades 1-5. Please see flyer for more information regarding topics, dates, and cost. Here are a couple of reminders:

1. Registration is submitted online at scienceexplorers.com or mail the registration form directly to Science Explorers. Please do not send in money to school, as we do not handle registration.
2. Please pick-up your child at the front entrance. There will be a sign-out sheet, so you must sign your child out before leaving.
3. Science Explorers can answer any questions you have, so please feel free to contact them!

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Children’s Liturgy of the Word. (CLOW) is a new ministry. The program is free and open to all parish children grades K-3. On the third Sunday of each month at the 10:30 am Mass, the priest will ask the children to gather at the altar after the opening prayer. Adult leaders will take children to the Gathering Room where the children will have a rich liturgical experience based on adapted Sunday readings. Leaders will bring children to rejoin parents before the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Participation in this ministry fulfills Sunday mass obligation. Adult volunteers are needed to continue and grow this ministry. All supplies and instruction will be provided. This is a great ministry for the entire family! Please contact Camille Morrison prep@sjnparish.org for further information. FYI: Little Church School will still be an option for preschool and grade K students. Parents can choose which option best suits their child.

HOME & SCHOOL

BIKE FUNDRAISER: If anyone in your family is in need of a bike this Spring, please consider visiting Mechanic/Bicycle Pro Shop in Havertford during the month of March, who is willing to donate 10% of all proceeds back to SCJN! Please see the flyer for more information. Any questions, please contact Susan O’Neill at oneillfamily09@gmail.com

GENTLY USED UNIFORM SALE: There are a ton of boys shorts (all sizes), unisex uniform shirts, sweaters/vests, sweatpants, as well as a good amount of shorts, kilts, jumpers and gym shorts. All items are only $3 each and you may pay by check or cash at the front desk. This is a great time to stock up on extra gear.

CLASS COCKTAIL PARTIES: Hello parents in grade 1-6. We are still looking for several hosts for class cocktail parties. The host provides the house and the guests bring snacks and drinks. It’s easy and fun. The host can also choose to find a communal space at a bar or restaurant for more information. Any questions, please contact Susan O’Neill at janinetuohey@gmail.com

ATHLETIC BOARD

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 3rd GRADE: Every Sunday in April and some in May, we would like to invite your kids to participate in Pee Wee track. There is no charge and track is a great way for your son or daughter to be active and begin to engage in team sports. We will hand out SCJN Pee Wee track t-shirts, so each child feels part of the team. Pee Wee track races are run approximately 12pm every Sunday prior to CYO track races. Races are held at Haverford High school track and we encourage parents and kids to come out around 11:30 am for some light stretching and preparation for the kids to run the race. Races are very informal. If you can’t make a week, no problem! Dress to the weather and we encourage parents and kids to come out around 11:30 am for some light stretching and preparation for the kids to run the race. Races are very informal. If you can’t make a week, no problem! Dress to the weather. Just remember to bring your kids to the Gathering Room where the children will have a rich liturgical experience based on adapted Sunday readings. Leaders will bring children to rejoin parents before the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Participation in this ministry fulfills Sunday mass obligation. Adult volunteers are needed to continue and grow this ministry. All supplies and instruction will be provided. This is a great ministry for the entire family! Please contact Camille Morrison prep@sjnparish.org for further information. FYI: Little Church School will still be an option for preschool and grade K students. Parents can choose which option best suits their child.

COMMUNITY NEWS

MERION MERCY SUMMER PROGRAMS: MMA has a variety of academic, enrichment and athletic offerings for girls and boys, including our fun enrichment programs and sports camps such as Basketball, Field Hockey, Soccer, Volleyball, Art Camp, and STEM Camp, among others. Click here for more information. Please visit our website at www.merion-mercy.com/summerprograms to download a full brochure and to register online. For more information, you may also contact Mrs. Barbara Harrison, Director of Summer Programs, at 610-664-6655 Ext. 120 or email her at bharrison@merion-mercy.com.

DCIU PARENT WORKSHOP: A workshop will be held on Wednesday, March 18 for parents who have children in grades K-5. This workshop is to help support parents in teaching social skills at home and in the community. Click here for more information.
**HAVERTOWN BLAZE LACROSSE CLINIC:** The Haverford Blaze Lacrosse is a community lacrosse program for Boys from Kindergarten through Eighth grade and Girls from Fifth through Eighth grade. We have a house league and a travel lacrosse program. Click [here](https://www.blazelax.com) for more information or please visit us at www.blazelax.com for more information about all our programs.

**COOPTOWN YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE:** Registration is open for the 2020 Coopertown Youth Baseball League for children ages 4 - 9. Our decade-old league is based on fun, learning and teamwork, and we rely on volunteer parent coaches for guidance. Games are held on the fields at Coopertown Elementary school from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Registration can be accessed by clicking on the link: [https://www.coopertowncivicassociation.org/coopertown-youth-baseball](https://www.coopertowncivicassociation.org/coopertown-youth-baseball) Feel free to reach out at coopertownball@gmail.com.

**SPEAK-UP:** SpeakUp’s Parent Coffee Series allows parenting adults to dive deeper into topics where more guidance and support are needed. These topic-specific conversations are guided by a facilitator with experience and knowledge on the topic. While participants are encouraged to join in on the conversation, there is much to learn by simply listening! Pre-Register by [Clicking Here](mailto:koetter.t@scjnschool.org)?

**PRIVATE INSTRUMENT LESSONS:** Mrs. Mulholland will be offering private instrumental music lessons. If interested, please email kristina.mulholland@scjnschool.org

**GIRLS IN SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM:** The American Helicopter Museum & Education Center is offering an innovative, hands-on ten week science enrichment program for girls in grades 3-12. [Click here](mailto:kristina.mulholland@scjnschool.org) for more information about all our programs.

**CALENDAR**

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**March**
- **19** School Liturgy, 8:15am
- **19** Report Cards Distributed
- **20** Terra Nova Testing
- **21** CYO 90’s Party, 7pm
- **22** Track Meet begins, 12:30pm
- **23-27** Terra Nova Testing
- **24** Spirit Wear Day
- **25** Blue Rocks form due today
- **26** Stations of the Cross, 1pm, Gr. 7
- **27** Nothing Bundt Cake Order Forms Due
- **29** Track Meet begins, 12:30pm
- **30** Spirit Wear Day
- **30** Chick-fil-A Lunch
- **31** Confession, 9:30am, Gr.3-8
- **31** Middle School Reading Olympics, Marple Newtown HS

**April**
- **1** Elementary Reading Olympics, Marple Newtown HS
- **2** Dentist visit, Gr. K, 3 & 7, 9am
- **2** Science Explorers, Atomic Art, Gr.1-5, 3-4pm
- **2** Living Stations, Gr. 8, 7pm
- **3** Living Stations, Gr. 8, 10:30am
- **5** Track Meet begins, 12:30pm
- **6** NovaCane, 3-4pm
- **7** Living Stations, Gr. 2, 1:30pm
- **8** Grandparent/Special Friend Day, 10am
- **8** **EARLY DISMISSAL, 11:00am No Transportation Home**
- **9** NO SCHOOL, HOLY THURSDAY
- **10** NO SCHOOL, GOOD FRIDAY
- **12** Easter Sunday
- **13** NO SCHOOL, EASTER MONDAY
- **14** Classes Resume
- **16** Science Explorers, Atomic Art, Gr.1-5, 3-4pm
- **17** Gr. 5 Field Trip, Lankenau Hospital, 9:30am
- **19** Track Meet begins, 12:30pm
- **20** Chick-fil-A Lunch
- **21** Penn Relays, Franklin Field
- **21** Confirmation Practice, 6pm, SJN Church
- **22** Gr. 8 Field Trip, New York City, 8:30am
- **22** Gr. 2 Field Trip, Haverford Reserve, 10:00am
- **23** Gr. 7 ONLY - **EARLY DISMISSAL, 12:00pm**
- **23** SJN Confirmation, 4pm
- **26** Track Meet begins, 1pm
- **27** Gr. 6 & 7, Class Trip, Washington, DC, 7:00am
- **30** Science Explorers, Atomic Art, Gr.1-5, 3-4pm

**May**
- **1** Gr. 5 Class Trip, Phila., 8:30am
- **1** Kindergarten - Mother’s Tea
- **1** Gr. 8 Visit Villanova, NovaCane
- **1** Progress Reports Distributed
- **2** First Eucharist Retreat, 10am
- **3** Track Regional Championship, 12:30pm
- **5** Gr. 2 Class Trip, Citizens Bank Park
- **7** Rosary in the Grotto, 11:15am
- **7** Fine Arts Night, 5pm
- **7** Spring Band Concert, 7pm
- **8** Preschool - Mother’s Tea
- **9** First Eucharist Mass, Gr. 2, 10am
- **13** Chick-fil-A
- **13** H&S Board Meeting, 6:30pm
- **14** Science Explorers, Atomic Art, Gr. 1-5, 3-4pm
- **15** New Family Orientation, 9am
- **15** Father/Daughter Dance, 6:30pm
- **16** Area Championship Track Meet, CO’H HS
- **16** Mother/Son Event, 3pm
- **21** NO SCHOOL - Ascension Thursday
- **22** NO SCHOOL - School Holiday
- **25** NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
- **28** Science Explorers, Atomic Art, Gr. 1-5, 3-4pm
- **30** Archdiocesan Championship Meet, Franklin Field