Under the guidance of Saint Joseph, Patron Saint of the Universal church, Saint Joseph School endeavors to achieve academic excellence in a faith-filled and safe environment. School staff and parents collaborate to develop students' spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical wellbeing in a traditional Catholic setting.

June 14, 2024

Dear Parents,

Our school year has come to an end, and our summer vacation is just beginning. We certainly had a very busy month of May and June, and it seems hard to believe that summer is upon us. You should have received any summer school notices by now. We are very busy here at school tying up loose ends and getting ready for the upcoming school year. If you have not reregistered, please do so before the end of next week.

Enclosed you will find your child/ren's final report card(s).

Congratulations to our students who made the third marking period. For the last trimester we use the final grade to determine honor roll status. **Honors** – Flynn Currier, Armando Gallegos, Iliana Tolentino, Noah Chartier, Declan Hamrick, Nyah MacPhail, Bryce Sanchez, Rory Hamrick, Kiana Arroyo, Karina Colondres, Laura LaCasse, and Alaina Quintana; **High Honors-** Tristan Rayhall, James Hamrick, Aubrey Kunkle, Andrea Ramos, and Hannah Sypher; **Principal's Honors** – Ryan Smith , Madelyn Wilkinson, Mary FitzGerald, Thomas FitzGerald, Madeleine Gagnon, Stephen Landolphi, Brendan McMahon, and Linnea MacPhail. God bless all of our Honor Roll students!!! Certificates will be awarded at morning prayer on August 29th.

Our biggest fundraiser, our Annual Rummage Sale will take place on Thursday, July 18^{th} , 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. with at \$10.00 entry fee, Friday, June 19^{th} , 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 20^{th} , 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Friday, June 27^{th} , 9:00 - 3:00 p.m., and Saturday, June 28^{th} , 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. We are in need of volunteers to prepare for this as well as to help work during the Rummage Sale hours. Please call the school office if you are able to help out. With a tuition base so low, we are really counting on our parents to help us out, preparing for this, helping on the actual sale dates, and helping to clean up afterwards. Last year, we made \$50,000.00 on this event. While there is quite a bit of work, it is well worth the effort.

Office hours are 9:00 a.m. – noon Monday through Thursday. Due to an important community event, I will not be in the office from June 24^{th} – July 9^{th} . However, please leave a message with Mrs. Dunnack or voicemail, and I will return any phone calls.

The June Kindness Awards go to Madelyn Wilkinson for helping a peer organize her desk, Ivor Kucher who selflessly gave his art project to another student even though he really wanted it, and to Jensen Ames for helping a friend stay safe during recess.

In my last letter I stressed the fact that we must abide by the uniform dress code. <u>While</u> oxford shirts for the boys and the round collar blouses for the girls may be purchased elsewhere, the uniform pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, and jumpers must be from Donnelly's Uniform company. I ask for your cooperation in this matter.

I will keep you updated with any significant news throughout the summer.

May I remind you that if you are not paying the full amount of tuition in August, then you must use the F.A.C.T.S. Program required by the Diocese of Norwich. If you should have any questions, please speak with Mrs. Dunnack.

We wish all of our families a very happy, safe, and enjoyable summer where you can take time to enjoy one another, take time to visit family or take vacations as a family. This is the time to relax. From all of us here at Saint Joseph School to all of our families, have a blessed and safe summer!

God bless you.

Sincerely in Jesus and Mary,

Sister Mary Patrick, SCMC Principal