

Bulldog Briefs



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NEWS FROM THE MAIN OFFICE OF ST. JUDE REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL ~ PUBLISHED EACH WEDNESDAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

PRINCIPAL'S PEN



Dear St. Jude Community,

What a great Catholic Schools Week! The children did a wonderful job all week and the school was bustling with activity. After a much too short weekend, we returned to find change in our school. Within that change we found a few new families joining our community. I know they will be welcomed with open arms and hearts.

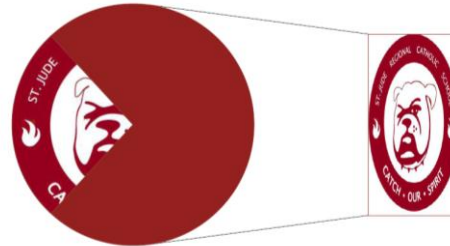
With so much happening I have found myself thinking about the idea of faith and what faith is. **Faith is hope, faith is trusting the unknown, faith is believing there is light at the end of the tunnel, faith is that feeling that urges you on each day, faith is what guides us and gives us the conviction to pursue our goals.** The faith of this community in St. Jude is unwavering, and each day I am reminded of that by the many supporters of St. Jude that walk through these doors—those who give to St. Jude because it is a special place, a loving community, a happy home, because it is why they are who they are.

At the end of each message I state that “We are.....St. Jude”, not because it is a catchy phrase, because that is what I believe. We—the community, the students, the parents, the teachers, the staff, the parishioners—are St. Jude. We are the reason St. Jude is such an outstanding place. We are.....blessed.

We areSt. Jude!

Live Jesus in our hearts....Forever!

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Our Goal of 100%

- Family Support to date
- Families planning on supporting

GIVE YOUR WAY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

Although the 2012 Give Your Way program is bringing in much-needed dollars, the more important goal of 100% parent/family participation is falling short. **Currently, we stand at 37% parent participation.** By each family participating and making a donation — nothing is too small or too large! — we are showing the community that we are committed to St. Jude Regional Catholic School, and we believe in its mission and all it has to offer our children and others in the community.

Please help us reach this important goal. All donations are confidential. Forms are available on the school Website and from the main office. Questions can be referred to Patty Lynch or Jessica Castillo, GYW coordinators.

GOLDEN APPLE TEACHER AWARD

Be sure to nominate your favorite teacher for the Archdiocesan Golden Apple Teacher Award. A flier went out last week. If you did not receive one, please contact the main office.

8TH GRADE V FACULTY BASKETBALL GAME

MARCH 8 AT ST. JOHNS

Hard to believe that it is time again for the annual 8th graders vs. Faculty/Staff and Parents basketball game. Game is set for Thursday, March 8 (no school on March 9) and will be played this year at St. John's College High School, 2607 Military Road, NW, Washington DC. Doors open at 6 p.m.; tip-off at 6:15 p.m. Food and drinks will be sold, and there will be a 50/50 raffle. Cost: \$5 per person or \$15 for a family of three or more.



**VALENTINE'S DAY +
BREAST CANCER AWARENESS DAY =
PINK, WHITE & RED DAY!**

WEAR YOUR VALENTINES' COLORS FOR \$50 NEXT TUESDAY, FEB. 14, OR PURCHASE A PINK BULLDOG SHIRT FOR \$4 (LIMITED QUANTITIES AND SIZES) AND TAG DAY IS FREE!

ST. JUDE EASTER CAMP, APRIL 10-13

Easter break is around the corner and St. Jude Regional Catholic School is pleased to offer a camp for those staying in town that week. Camp activities include field trips to Pump it Up, Players, arcades, zoo, museums, swimming pool, etc, as well as a variety of indoor and outdoor activities: soccer, basketball, dodge ball, kickball, self defense, arts and crafts, anti-bullying program, pizza party etc.

Please see flyer for information on how to register and for more details.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI SPEAKER SERIES CONTINUES ON MARCH 14

Be sure to save the date of March 14 to hear Joey Haynos, SJRCS Class of 1999, speak about his career in professional football. Look for more information soon!

SCHOOL FAMILY OFFERS FUNDRAISER

Many thanks to the O'Connor family (Thomas, 8) for offering the school 5% of its interior painting sales for February and March. O'Connor's Painting Service specializes in residential interior and exterior painting. For further details, call David O'Connor at 301-963-4226. Be sure to mention you are a St. Jude Regional Catholic School family when calling.

CRITICAL AREAS IN NEED OF PARENT SUPPORT – EARN SSP HOURS!

CONSIGNMENT SALE

SJRCS is in need of volunteers for all aspects of the Spring Tot Consignment Sale set for Saturday, March 31. Please contact Liz Welton at glweltgon@verizon.net or go online to www.stjudetotsale.com for more details.

GALA INVITATIONS MAILING

Help is needed beginning on Friday, March 2, through Sunday, March 4, with stuffing invitations to the Gala into envelopes and sorting for bulk mailing. Shifts are available for various hours. Please contact Clare Kuzma to sign up.

CALENDAR

Feb. 16	3 rd Quarter Interims
Feb. 17	No School; Faculty Retreat
Feb.20	No School; Presidents' Day
March 23	Report Cards



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