



Notes from Mrs. Nash

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.

St. John Fisher School

January 25, 2020

Dear SJF Families,

We are so eager to celebrate our Catholic School and Parish Community this week! Catholic Schools Week kicks off tonight with Conner T. Lowry Night in the Gym at 5pm. We will properly thank the CTL Foundation and Conner's family for their generous donation to make much needed improvements to our gym in Conner's honor. Our celebration continues tomorrow and throughout the week. Please join us tomorrow for our Family Mass at 10am and our Open House immediately following. As you make your way through our halls tomorrow, you will not only see all of the fun and challenging projects our students have been diligently working on, but you will feel what makes SJF the best place to be! We are thrilled to announce that we will have a sneak peak of the beginning stages of our Strategic Plan to share with you as well!

Please see the calendar below for all of the exciting events we have planned this week to celebrate our parents, students and community! Thank you so much for your continued support and commitment to Catholic education, but specifically, St. John Fisher School.

In unity and hope,

-Mrs. Maura Nash

Important Announcements

- This week for *Catholic Schools Week* every grade will be assigned a **random act of kindness to complete each day in lieu of homework**. Therefore, **Homework Club is CANCELLED January 28th & 29th**.
- **This Thursday is an EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:45** for our Faculty In-Service!
- **Registration for new families** opens up this week. **Please promote SJF** to your friends, family and neighbors and encourage them to attend our **Open House!** *It is a great time to be a falcon!*
- **Pre-School Play-Date: Future Falcon Friends!** Our Thursday play group will have an opportunity to tour our school, meet our pre-school faculty and staff and interact with our students. All children (aged 0-5) and their parents or guardians are invited, **10:30 in the Conner T. Lowry Gym!**
- **The SJF Book Fair returns** this year during *Catholic Schools Week*. Please see additional information below. *ALL PROCEEDS from the Book Fair will go toward creating a leveled book room and help support the Reading Intervention Program. Contact Kate Keller with questions, kkeller@sjschool.net.
- **We need your help collecting milk jugs for a special project for our Preschool.** Preschool is looking for your EMPTY, RINSED-OUT milk jugs (with caps on) to make a large igloo. Please save and send in to school your empty gallon sized milk or water jugs (WE NEED A LOT!). Milk jugs can be dropped off at the school office or to Miss Fadden (room 109). If you have questions, please feel free to e-mail kfadden@sjschool.net. Thank you so much for your help!
- **Pictures Needed for Yearbook 2019-2020:** SJF's Yearbook Team is looking for pictures to include in our 2019-2020 yearbook. Group pictures preferably! We are looking for sporting events, field trips, classroom photos, etc. We cannot guarantee that all pictures will make it into the yearbook, but we hope to have lots to choose from. Uploading instructions are below. Thank you!

- The **Father-Daughter Dance is February 1st**. Please see the below advertisement for more details.
- FYI, *February lunches are open for ordering*. Also, several students have been coming to school without lunches. *Please check to make sure your child has a packed a lunch if he or she has not ordered a hot lunch*. Thank you!
- **Comedy Night with Pat McGann is CANCELLED due to an unexpected change in Pat's schedule.**
- **GET BEHIND THE VEST PANCAKE BREAKFAST is February 23rd @ SJF!**
- **Early Morning Drop-off: Please be mindful that students aren't allowed in the building before the bell** unless they have made prior arrangements with a teacher, are taking an AR or are utilizing extended day. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!
- **SAVE THE DATE:** St. John Fisher's **Celtic Supper and St. Baldrick's Event** is **March 7th!**
- Breakthrough ACT Prep: Spring 2020 classes begin at SJF next Sunday. Registration is still available at breakthroughactprep.weebly.com.
- *We invite and welcome your feedback*. If you have a question regarding your child's education, please reach out directly to your son or daughter's teacher. If you need further support, contact Mrs. Larmon, clarmon@sjfschool.net, Mrs. Carey, ncarey@sjfschool.net or Mrs. Nash, mnash@sjfschool.net. *We are happy and grateful to partner with you in order to best serve your children.*
- **Congratulations** to our **6th grade girls B volleyball team** who went **undefeated** and won the St. Catherine's MLK "Charger Challenge" volleyball tournament!



Peek at the Week

SJF Celebrates Catholic Schools Week: **Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed and Be Kind!**

Saturday, January 25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Conner T. Lowry Night</i> @ 5:00 in the Conner T. Lowry Gym @ SJF LIVE LIFE KIND
Sunday, January 26 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN HOUSE 9-10 & 11-12 • Catholic Schools Week Family Mass 10
Monday, January 27 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrating Service: Dimes for Dairy Wars and the St. Rita Band joins us to help kick-off Catholic Schools Week! • <i>ETC ~ Frozen Fun 2:25-3:30</i>
Tuesday, January 28 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrating Learning: Trivia Tuesday • NO HOMEWORK CLUB • <u>Academic Eligibility Study Hall IS IN SESSION: 2:30-3:15 in Room 105</u> • <i>ETC ~ Winter Wonderland 2:25-3:30</i>
Wednesday, January 29 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrating Leaders & Learning: STEM Partner Project • NO HOMEWORK CLUB • <u>Academic Eligibility Study Hall IS IN SESSION: 2:30-3:15 in Room 105</u> • <i>ETC ~ Nerf Football & Winter Science Club 2:25-3:30</i>
Thursday, January 30 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrating our AWESOME Parents - Thankful Thursday: Don't forget to pick up a hot Cup of Joe at your child's drop-off door! • FUTURE FALCON FRIENDS: 10:30-11:15 Pre-School Play-date! • NO CHOIR PRACTICE – EARLY DISMISSAL 1:45 for Faculty In-Service!
Friday, January 31 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrating our AMAZING Students: Spirit Day and Fisher Falcon Olympics!





FALCON OF THE WEEK

Maeve Malloy, 4th grade



SJF's "Falcon of the Week" is 4th grader, Maeve Malloy.

This year, our school theme is "Fly Like a Falcon." At school, we are intentionally discussing what it means to be a falcon. Falcons soar above, capturing an aerial view of what is going on below. We are encouraging our school community to "soar above" things that might bring us down, not allowing us to be our best selves. We are on a school-wide crusade to "Fly Like a Falcon," lifting one another up, celebrating the positive interactions and kind behavior that our students demonstrate each and every day. Our "Falcon of the Week" is Maeve Malloy. Maeve was nominated to be our falcon this week due to her overall helpfulness. It was reported, and I have witnessed

first-hand, Maeve's consistent willingness and desire to help those around her. Whether it is her teachers, friends, peers, the office staff or younger students, Maeve is always ready to help someone and does so instinctively and with the most kind spirit and infectious smile! Maeve is flexible and always "goes with the flow." She goes out of her way to make other people's lives better and to bring happiness to everyone she meets. When conversing with Maeve today, I asked her what her secret was. She said, "It's easy Mrs. Nash, I just treat everyone the way I want to be treated." It isn't complicated or hard. Thank you, Maeve, for being our symbol of The Golden Rule. You inspire us all each day to be happy and kind. Keep "Flying like a Falcon, Maeve", you're making a difference!

ST. JOHN FISHER SALUTES CONNER T. LOWRY

LIVE LIFE KIND

JANUARY 25TH @ 5:00 PM



When: January 25th, 2020 5pm (Ceremony Before Last Game of the Day)

Where: Conner T. Lowry Gym @ St. John Fisher School

- **ST JOHN FISHER ATHLETIC BOARD PROUDLY INVITES YOU TO HELP US PROPERLY THANK THE FAMILY OF CONNER T. LOWRY FOR THEIR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO HELP US MAKE ALL THE NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS THAT WERE GREATLY NEEDED TO RENOVATE THE GYMNASIUM.**
- **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN AMERICAN FLAG TO HOLD DURING THE CEREMONY AND WE WILL HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR SALE (KIDS AND ADULTS SIZES).**
- **WE ASK THAT ALL WHO ATTEND WEAR RED, WHITE OR BLUE.**



**ST. JOHN FISHER
SCHOOL**

Dear Families:

Our school will celebrate the power of reading at the upcoming Scholastic Book Fair. You are invited to help our school create a culture of reading, build our school libraries, **and** you will have the opportunity to shop and select books with your child for your home library! A portion of all the proceeds will go back to our school – your support makes a difference!



The characters. The book choices.
The awesomeness.

Book Fair dates: **January 26 to January 31**

Shopping hours: **The fair will be open for shopping before school at 7:30 and after school until 3:00**

Special activities: **All Students will visit the fair with their classes during their regular library time.**

Make sure to check out the e-wallet!



NEW In-School and Online Shopping Options! Book Fair eWallet, our new digital payment option, allows your student to shop the Fair cash-free. Can't make it to the Book Fair? Shop *The Scholastic Store*™ online to choose from over 6,000 products! Visit our homepage to access eWallet or shop online: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/stjohnfisherschool>

If you are unable to make it to the book fair but still want to support Saint John Fisher, follow the link to our homepage and you can shop until February 1!
<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/stjohnfisherschool>

Have any questions about class times, the e-wallet, or anything else book-fair related? Please contact Kate Keller at kkeller@sjsfschool.net

See you at the Book Fair! Until then, happy reading!

I NEED TO STAY AT HOME IF....

						
FEVER	VOMITING	DIARRHEA	RASH	HEAD LICE	EYE INFECTION	HOSPITAL STAY AND/OR ER VISIT
Temperature of 100.4 or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Itchy head, active head lice	Redness, Itching, and/or "crusty" drainage from eye	Hospital stay and/or ER visit

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO WORK OR SCHOOL WHEN I AM...

Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication i.e. Tylenol, Motrin	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals & for 24 hours!	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours	Free from rash itching, or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Treated with appropriate lice treatment at home and proof is provided to nurse.	Evaluated by my doctor and have note to return to school.	Released by medical provider to return to work or school.
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Group Outings

ST. JOHN FISHER MOTHER & SON GROUP OUTING WITH THE BULLS



Enjoy a legendary outing at a Chicago Bulls game with St. John Fisher mothers and sons.

Share the excitement of Bulls basketball and the NBA's leading entertainment experience as the team takes on the Wizards. Each ticket purchase also includes access to a private pregame shootaround with 100-level access from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.

Help St. John Fisher reach 200 tickets by Feb. 16 and everyone in the group will have the opportunity to shoot free throws on the United Center court following the game.

Don't miss out on exclusive savings! Purchase tickets before Feb. 7 to be guaranteed seats in the St. John Fisher sections.

Be a part of Bulls Nation today.

The discounted price is:

- 300 Level, Rows 8-17 (baseline): \$22.40 (regularly \$44.80)



BULLS VS. WIZARDS

Sunday, February 23, 2020 | 6:00 p.m.

To purchase tickets, visit:
response.bulls.com/SJF



*Join us for an Enchanted Evening at
the
SJF Father Daughter Dance!*

Saturday, February 1st

6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

Appetizer Buffet, Dancing, Pictures, Baskets

\$25 per person/\$75 per family

Beverly Country Club

8700 S. Western Ave.

RSVP and Payment due by Friday, January 24th

Student's Name(s): _____

Total Number of Guests: _____

Total Cost: _____

- Guests may be father or special person*

Accepting Checks written out to the FSA or Cash

SAVE THE DATE

ALDERMAN MATT O'SHEA'S

GET BEHIND THE VEST

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020

SPONSORED BY:



Saint John Fisher School – Kane Hall
10200 S. Washtenaw Ave.

8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Tickets: \$5 per person / \$25 per family



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St. John Fisher St. Baldrick's Shaving Event

www.stbaldricks.org/events/StJohn2020

Saturday - March 7, 2020

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Conner T. Lowry Gymnasium
10200 S Washtenaw Ave.
Chicago, IL

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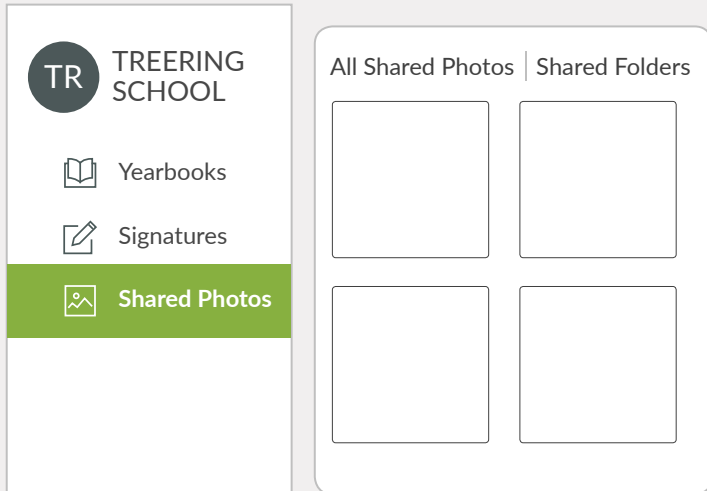
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We Need Your Photos for the St. John Fisher Yearbook

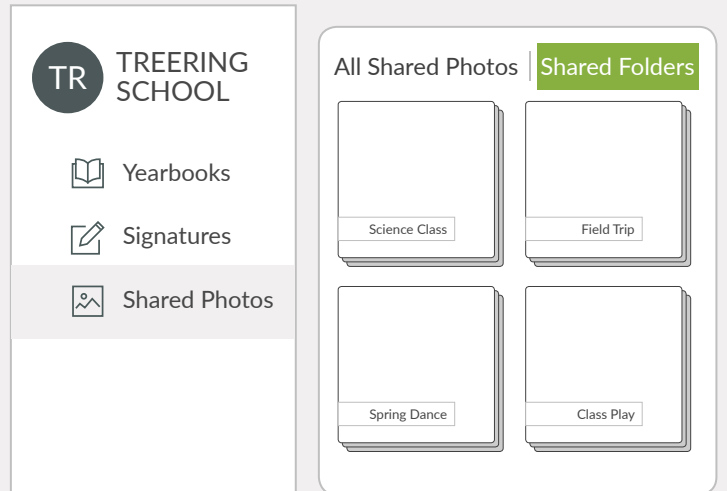
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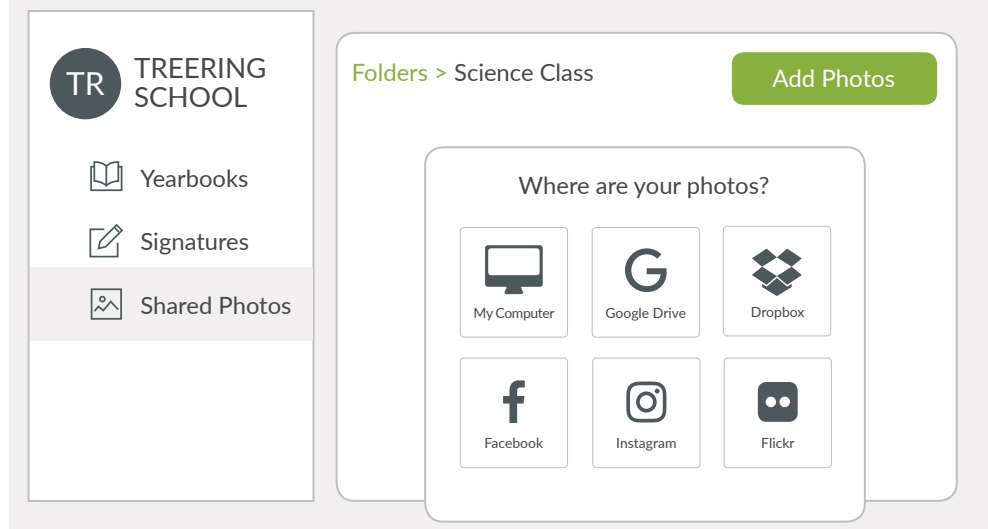
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Select **Shared Folders** and choose a folder.



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Add Photos from Google Drive, Facebook, Instagram, Dropbox & more.



Sign In or Create an Account to Upload Photos:

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

- 1 Go to www.treering.com/validate
- 2 Enter our school's passcode: **1015271802074961**

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Please join us at AmazonSmile when completing your shopping orders. AmazonSmile can be used on both regular orders and Amazon Fresh orders. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible purchases to St. John Fisher. Using AmazonSmile is at no cost to you! Instead of using the regular Amazon app or webpage, you will open up AmazonSmile instead 😊 Thank you for your support!

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Make it easier to return to smile.amazon.com by adding a shortcut to your phone's home screen



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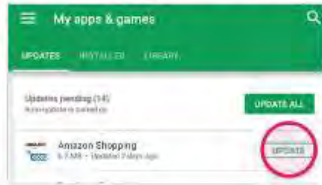
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AmazonSmile is now in the Amazon Shopping App

You can now support your favorite charity when you shop using the Amazon Shopping App on your Android device. See below for instructions to turn on AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping App.

Follow the steps attached below to add AmazonSmile in your Amazon Shopping App. This feature is coming very soon for iOS (Apple), stay tuned!

1 Make sure you have the latest version of the Amazon Shopping App



1. Open the Google Play Store
2. Tap the menu (≡)
3. Tap on My apps & games
4. Tap the Updates tab
5. Update the Amazon Shopping App

2 Open the Amazon Shopping App



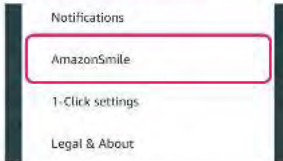
3 Tap in the main menu in the Amazon App



4 Tap Settings



5 Tap AmazonSmile



6 Follow the instructions on the screen to turn on AmazonSmile



7 All set! Tap the Start shopping button and support charity



Coming soon on iOS. Stay tuned!