



## SJB Spirit Week

To kick-off the athletic season at SJB, our cheerleaders are sponsoring Spirit Week next week. The days are as follows:

**Monday, November 9:  
NO SCHOOL**

**Tuesday, November 10:  
Twin Day**—Pick a friend and wear the exact same outfit to school that day!

**Wednesday, November 12:  
Crazy Hair and Sock Day**—wear uniforms with a wild hairstyle and silly socks.

**Thursday, November 13:  
Pajama Day**—appropriate pajamas may be worn to school.

**Friday, November 14:  
School Spirit Day**—Students may pay \$1 to wear jeans on this day but must wear an SJB t-shirt or sweatshirt.  
**SJB Eagle Mascot Competition & Pep Rally**—Students will compete to design the best SJB Eagle and present it at the Pep Rally. The winner will throw a pie in Mrs. Rokat's face!

## Calendar Items

- 11/6-10 Scholastic Book Fair
- 11/8 Parent Teacher Conf., 9-1:30pm
- 11/8 Scholastic Book Fair, 9-2:00pm
- 11/9 No School
- 11/10 Sally Foster Payment/Orders Due
- 11/11 SJB Open House, 8:30-11am
- 11/16 Tuition Due
- 11/17 SJB Board of Specified Jurisdiction Meeting, 7pm
- 11/22 Family Mass, Thanksgiving Food Drive, 9:45am
- 11/22 FSA Mother Son Bowling, 1pm


## Scholastic Book Fair-This Weekend!

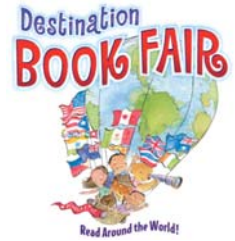
Our annual Fall Book Fair begins with set-up after school today, and this year's theme is "Destination Book Fair." Today, students will receive newsletters highlighting books at the fair, and they will be previewing the Book Fair tomorrow. Please do not send any book money on Friday.

After the students preview the fair, they will have two opportunities to purchase books. On Sunday, November 8, the Book Fair will be open from 9:00am-2:00pm. Please stop by the Altgeld Gym before or after your Parent/Teacher Conference to shop this Fall's selection. On Tuesday, November 10,

students will visit the Book Fair with their classes if they have money. Students may bring money to school on this day to purchase

books. Please remember to include a little extra for sales tax. Money should be sent to school in an envelope marked with your child's name.

Contact Mary Jo with any questions at [mdunne@stjohnberchmans.org](mailto:mdunne@stjohnberchmans.org) or 773.486.1334. 



## Sally Foster Fundraiser




Packets were sent home in last week's Family Folder for the Sally Foster Fundraiser. Up to 50% of all sales

go directly to your Family Fundraising Commitment.

This fundraiser runs from October 30 through November 10. (Please note the change in due date from the school calendar.) Sally Foster produces the best quality gift wrap, gift items, gourmet choco-


lates and much more. You can also shop online and tell others about our fundraiser with the fast and easy Sally Foster email program. Directions for the email program were attached to the packets.

If you choose not to participate in this fundraiser, there is no need to return the packet to school. Orders are due on November 10—late orders will not be accepted. 


## Thank You!

Thank you to those of you who came out to our parent workshop last night. The workshops were very beneficial and enjoyed by all.

A special thanks is given to Danette Palomar and her colleague Kimberly Mula for presenting to our 1st-5th grade parents.

A big congratulations to the Humphrey family who won \$100 toward their Family Fundraising at the workshop! 

## Parent Teacher Conf.

You will find the schedule for your parent teacher conference in this week's Family Folder. Please remember to come 10 minutes before your scheduled conference so that everyone can spend the full amount of time in the classroom with their child's teacher. After your conference, please be sure to stop by the Altgeld Gym for the Scholastic Book Fair and 8th Grade Bake Sale! 

## Barnes & Noble Book Fair

The SJB Barnes & Noble Book Fair (located at Webster & Clybourn) will be held on Tuesday, December 1, from 9am-10pm. This book fair is an easy and fun way to support SJB while getting some of your Christmas shopping out of the way!

On December 1, a portion of almost any purchase you make (pre-tax and excluding gift cards) goes directly to support SJB School. All you have to do is let the cashier know you are there for St. John Berchmans.

Throughout that evening, we will have fun activities including

## Carson's Coupons



Again this year, we will be participating in the Carson's Community Days Fund-raiser. In your Family Folder last week, you received one coupon for this event. Coupons cost \$5 and are valid on Saturday, November 14. If you do not wish to purchase the coupon, simply return it to school by tomorrow and you will not be charged. If you wish to keep the coupon, please include \$5 in the return envelope.

## Glimmer Auction

The next Glimmer Auction meeting will be held on Monday, December 7, in the Altgeld Campus. Next week, you will receive a sign up form in your Family Folder. If you are interested in joining one of the many Glimmer committees, simply fill out this form and return it to the school office. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved with Glimmer and each hour spent at a meeting or working on Glimmer will go toward your family volunteer commitment. Mark your calendars for Glimmer—Saturday, May 1!

## FSA Corner

Please see this section each week in the School Connection for FSA updates and upcoming events.

### Mother/Son Bowling Night

When: Sunday, November 22, 1pm

Where: TBD

Who: Moms, grandmas, aunts or nannies and SJB male students

stories read to students, Christmas Carols sung by our choir, and more.

If you know you will not be able to make it to the store on December 1, please contact Mary Jo in the school office to arrange a phone order ahead of time.

We hope you are able to join us for this wonderful event! If you would like to help out with the event, feel free to contact Mary Jo for more information.

## Sunday Envelopes for Students

This week, students were sent home with envelopes to be used at Sunday Mass. Students who are Catholic should be attending Mass each Sunday with their families. During the collection, students are encouraged to use those envelopes to donate a portion of their allowance or babysitting money to our Church. Though not all students at SJB are Catholic, we welcome everyone to our Church every Sunday. If you are Catholic though, it is our hope that you are participating weekly.

## Lunch Orders

Lunch orders for the month of December are due to Ms. Raghda no later than 8:30 am on Friday, November 13. Please remember that these orders must be paid in cash or check and cannot be charged on RenWeb. If you have any questions, you may contact Ms. Raghda in the school office.

## Plastic Bags

Ms. Raghda needs your help! The lunch room is in need of plastic shopping bags. If you have plastic shopping bags at home, a great way to recycle them is by giving them to SJB. You can either send them with your child to school or drop them off in the office.



## FSA Contact Info

Have ideas? Interested in joining a specific club? Feel free to contact us!

**Mom's Club:** Sally Moulton, sallymoulton@sbcglobal.net

**Dad's Club:** Jeff Head, jhead1@habitat.com

**Hospitality Club:** Cathy Puralewski, cpural@sbcglobal.net

**Sports Club:** Khanh Bui, Khanhbui19@yahoo.com

**Room Parents:** Meg O'Rourke, ourourkem@ameritech.net

## Pick Up: Today, Nov. 5

### Church Basement

Remember, cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed, and the school is not responsible for these items. These items must be turned off and left in student backpacks.



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