



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL – LOMBARD

Parent Bulletin

October 1, 2020



Perseverance † Kindness † Character † Hope †

EAGLE NATION

Brrr... It seems like Fall is arriving. This seems like a good time to remind everyone that with the Fall, illnesses (such as colds, flu, allergies etc.) also arrive. SJS families have done such an awesome job of keeping all of us safe and healthy. Parents have phoned in telling us they are keeping their student home "just to be safe". I encourage all of you to continue to be attentive to your child. Check in with them to make certain they are feeling ok. If you have any question about whether to send your child on a school day, please feel free to give us a call in the office. As a reminder, watch what your children are wearing to school. I saw some students today with shorts, short sleeve shirts, and no coats. It is cold out there and we are getting them outside as much as we can. We want our students to stay healthy!

Enjoy your weekend,
Mr. Kalal

TRUNK OR TREAT = CANCELLED

Unfortunately, this year our Trunk or Treat has been cancelled. We will be back next year with our Chili cook off and hot dogs and all the fun that Trunk or Treat offers! Until next year....

WHAT IS APPLE CRUNCH DAY?

On "Apple Crunch Day", Thursday, October 8th, Healthy Lombard encourages everyone to crunch into an apple in a unifying action to raise awareness about eating better diets for our health and the environment, access and affordability of fruits and vegetables, and supporting local farmers.

BTW, enjoying an apple can be done at any time as well as anywhere – classroom, home, office. And when you do, Healthy Lombard is encouraging participants to post their Apple Crunch Selfies. Then they can be uploaded to the Healthy Lombard Instagram site or sent to Healthy Lombard at jay@healthylombard.com to be posted on the foundation's Healthy Lombard Facebook Selfie page.

The Apple Crunch originated in New York City in 2012, with approximately 400,000 New Yorkers biting into a locally grown New York State apple at the same time on Food Day. In 2013, the Big Apple Crunch in New York City set a world record with 1,000,000 people participating. The activity has spread across the country, and thousands of locations supported Apple Crunch Day in 2016. St. John's wishes to thank Irv and Shelly's Fresh Picks for donating apples to our school.



CROSS-COUNTRY NEWS

Our Cross-Country team has been running since the start of the school year. Under the coaching of Mr. Hoffmann, the team has done very well. They have participated in two meets so far and will compete in the inaugural Lilac Village Invitational Cross-Country Meet. In addition to St. John's, St. Pius and Sacred Heart will also be participating. The meet takes place this Saturday, October 3rd at the Lombard Commons. No spectators are allowed on Saturday, but the meet is supposed to be live streamed. The link to view the race is: bit.ly/kcalive

OCTOBER EVENTS

Monday, October 12	NO SCHOOL – COLUMBUS DAY
	NO CHILDCARE AVAILABLE
Tuesday, October 27	Picture Re-Takes
Friday, October 30	Last Day of the Quarter

PTO NEWS

Fundraising Updates Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, PTO cannot hold its annual Fall Fundraiser. This fundraiser generated \$6,000-\$8,000 each year and helps fund many projects for the school, faculty, and students such as Grandparent's Day, Teacher's Appreciation Week, unbudgeted school expenses, donations to the Church, and so much more! To fill the void, we've come up with a few fundraising opportunities that we hope you and your family will participate in. Most of these options may not even cost you a dollar -- you can invite friends and family to participate and support St. John's School. Please, do what you can so your PTO can continue to fund projects and needs that arise at the school.

Here's a timeline and brief descriptions of what to expect through the end of the year

October 1 - School Spirit Yard Sign Fundraiser Show your SJS Spirit by purchasing a \$15 yard sign. See to the order form coming home in backpacks and attached to the Parent Bulletin for more information.

October 27 - Dine & Donate at Chipotle Dine in or carry out anytime between 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Downers Grove location. Be sure to show the flyer or mention St. John's and we'll receive 33% of all proceeds. Flyer will come home in backpacks closer to the event date. Please share this fundraiser flyer with friends and family.

October 29 - November 12 - Candle Fundraiser We are partnering with a local candle company, IP Candles. These candles are hand-poured soy candles infused with essential oils. We will be selling 8 oz candles in a variety of fall and holiday fragrance for \$12 each. St. John's will earn \$4/candle. This is perfect for hostess and/or holiday gifts or just spoiling yourself. Feel free to take orders from family, friends and neighbors. Orders will be distributed before the Thanksgiving holiday.

November - Dine & Donate - Date and Location TBD December - Dine & Donate - Date and Location TBD

December 10 - 20% Fundraiser at Paradiso Boutique in Downtown Lombard Shop local and help support St. John's PTO. Shop throughout the day at Paradiso Boutique and just mention St. John's PTO and 20% of your purchase will support our school. Shop for the holidays and cross a few gift items off your list.

Again, thank you for supporting your St. John's PTO. We are hopeful that small opportunities throughout the year will help us continue our mission to support our students, families, and faculty and staff.

ST JOHN'S PTO – JOIN US

Want to be more involved in your child's school? Want to meet more parents? Join the PTO BOARD! This is a great time to learn more about our PTO, because we'll have a double board this year. This will give us plenty of time to train all the new volunteers!

If you're interested in the PTO board, please message us on Facebook or email us at stjohnslombardpto@gmail.com and we will get you more information.

REMINDERS..... this news is from previous weeks

QUESTION: WHAT IS MANNA?? ANSWER: FREE MONEY!!

Do you want FREE MONEY? Do you buy groceries, buy gas, order take out or drive-thru, or shop at Walmart/Target? If you answered yes to any of these questions, I have another question-- WHY AREN'T YOU BUYING MANNA????

What is MANNA? you ask... Manna is St. John's gift card program (aka Scrips) and you can earn **free money** to use toward your tuition, big school trips etc - you can also donate your earnings to the school or the church (general fund, Eve ministry, care fund or any other church ministry you choose).

It's super easy and with the mobile app you can order MANNA from the privacy and comfort of home. With the mobile app - you can order MANNA on your phone wherever you are...even in the middle of the store and use the app to pay right there- super easy and all this time you'll be earning FREE \$\$\$.

Do you have questions?? Contact Julie Nilles manna@sileagles.com - she can get you set up to start earning!! Once Julie gets you in the system you can start earning...have your family join you to maximize your earnings. Ask grandma - auntie and uncle to buy manna. They can shop with MANNA - and you can earn!!

You can order cards through Julie if you don't want to use the app. Shoot her an email and start earning! Many families have earned more than \$500 in one year, now that's a lot!

† CHAPEL OFFERINGS †

LOVE ♥ LIKE ♥ LIJA

Chapel offerings from our first quarter will be donated to the **Love Like Lija Foundation**. This foundation is near and dear to us at St. John's School as Lija and her sister, Zoe were students here, and her mom, Angie, was a teacher. Lija was a compassionate, kind, caring high school student whose love was endless. In 2014, at the age of 16 Lia unexpectedly passed away. The LLL mission: The Love Like Lija Foundation, founded by Lija's parents, Angie and Phil Hyssong, exists to fund projects demonstrating care, kindness, and compassion to people in need, performed by organizations, individuals and small groups with priority being given to young people providing the acts of care, kindness, and compassion. For more information regarding the Love Like Lija Foundation go to www.lovelikelija.com Do you have a project to be funded—reach out!

WATCH OUR WEDNESDAY CHAPEL SERVICES

If you would like to watch our Wednesday morning chapel services at 8:10am every Wednesday, please go to FACEBOOK and look for **SJL – CHAPEL** this is a private FB group. For the safety of our students and faculty, we will verify everyone who asks to be admitted.