

SAINT JAMES SCHOOL

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Important Dates

- 9/27: 8th Grade Retreat
9/28: 7th Grade, 8 AM Mass
9/29: Fall Festival
10/5: 10:15 School Mass; 12:45 dismissal

Registration is still ongoing for Music Lessons with Mr. Sullivan. The deadline for your child to start lessons on time is September 30.



Anyone who registers after the 30th will be added as long as space is available.

Any questions, please email Mr. Sullivan at mrsullivanmusic@yahoo.com.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents and Guardians,

It was so nice to see so many parents and guardians at our Back to School Night last week! I applaud you for your dedication to your child's education and your commitment to our school. As I said in my talk, we are all partners in the education of your children and I hope the presentations you heard on Thursday night were informative and helpful.

Some reminders for you:

- Please make sure you take some time to read the Parent-Student handbook;
- Parents are reminded that there is a protocol for the car drop-off line which is detailed in the Parent-Student handbook, your cooperation is important for the safety of all;
- Any forms that had to go home for signatures should be returned as soon as possible
- If you were unable to attend our Back to School Night event and have questions for us, please don't hesitate to reach out to us!

Please note that we will begin including Sister Joann's articles that she writes for the church bulletin, they will follow this page.

I conclude with my hopes and prayers for all to have a successful and happy school year!

Mrs. Florendo

Sister Joann's Bulletin Article

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I read this article titled: *“Teaching Children to Save. Share. Spend”* in a magazine published by Susquehanna Health and thought I would share it with you.

“We live in a region where giving, sharing, and caring are practically second nature. In addition to making generous financial gifts, many of the Foundation’s donors give their time as well. They’ve told us that volunteering is a value their families instilled in them from an early age. If you would like to share this tradition with your family, here are some ideas for helping your children or grandchildren learn to give back and become a part of the next generation of helpers:

Hold the Door: When your child is old enough, encourage her to help hold doors open for others. The practice is a great metaphor for life.

Lend a Hand: Have your child help you make and deliver a meal, rake leaves, or pick up sticks for a neighbor. Older children can cut grass or shovel snow.

Donate Diligently: Every few months, help your child identify clothing that no longer fits and gather toys and books that he isn’t using any more. Together, take the items to a donation center.

Celebrate with Charity: In advance of your child’s next birthday party, have her choose a local organization to help. Ask guests to bring a donation for that charity instead of a gift. Later, deliver the gifts to the charity together.

Save. Share. Spend: Include lessons on charitable giving for your child’s early financial education. Label three mason jars with **Save, Spend, Share**. Have your child split each allowance or monetary gift evenly among the three jars. As funds accumulate, take your child to deposit the **Save** jar money in the bank. Let him use the money in the **Spend** jar any way he likes. For the **Share** jar, help your child choose an organization or cause he wants to help.

Sr. Joann Marie Aumand, SCC
Director of St. James School



Home-School

Wanted: your old jeans and button down long sleeve shirts for our Scarecrow Making Booth at our Family Fall Festival. (children's and adults sizes.)

A box is located at the front entrance for your donations.



Sponsor the Festival!
Opportunities are still available!

Form on the website

**COMPETE IN
THE
KIDS BATTLE
OF THE
CUPCAKES!**

Form on the website!

 [pagesFamilyFallFestival](#)

Home-School

Help Needed!

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Are you interested in volunteering to help with our recess and cafeteria periods?

Contact Cindy Galiani at sjsplaygroundreminder@gmail.com for more information.

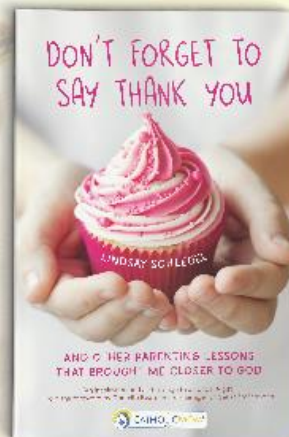


WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL
MOMS COFFEE WITH

Lindsay Schlegel

Wednesday, October 10, 2018
After Morning Drop Off
in the Church Library

Please join us for a special treat as author and Catholic mom, Lindsay Schlegel, shares her book *Don't Forget to Say Thank You: And Other Parenting Lessons That Brought Me Closer to God*.



Books will be available for sale by cash or check: \$16 each or \$30 for two. (They make great Christmas/birthday/baby shower gifts!)

The HSA is launching its 2018-2019 Boxtops for Education campaign!

The class that submits the most boxtops wins a free dress down day.

Please save these boxtops found on **hundreds** of grocery items because SJS will receive \$.10 in **FREE MONEY** for every boxtop we submit.

Send them in to your student's homeroom by **Tuesday, October 23!**

The Bernards Township Health Department has scheduled seven dates for 2018 Seasonal Flu Shots in October. All clinics are open to those 4 years old through adults and no appointment is needed. All flu shots are quadrivalent which combat four flu viruses.

Five clinics will be held from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on:

- Wednesday, October 10 at St. James Church, 184 S. Finley Ave. in Basking Ridge;
- Thursday, October 11, at the Mendham Area Senior Housing (MASH) located at One Heritage Drive in Mendham;
- Wednesday, October 17 at the Long Hill Municipal Building, 915 Valley Rd. in Gillette;
- Friday, October 19 at the Peapack-Gladstone Municipal Building, 1 School St. in Peapack; and
- Saturday, October 20 at the Bernards Township Community Center, 289 S. Maple Ave. in Basking Ridge.

Two clinics will be held from 3:30 pm to 6:00 on:

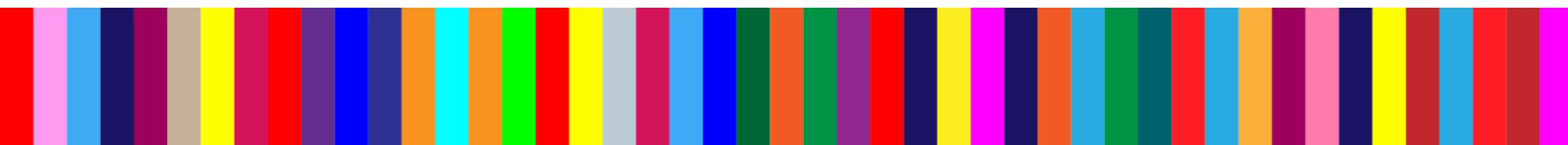
- Tuesday, October 23 at the Bernards Township Community Center, 289 S. Maple Ave. in Basking Ridge; and
- Wednesday, October 17 at the Bernardsville Library, 1 Anderson Hill Road, Bernardsville.

The cost of the flu shot is \$25 for residents and \$35 for non-residents and the flu shots are also available for no charge for those with a valid Medicare Part B card. Participants should consult with their doctor before receiving the flu vaccine. Clinical services are provided by the Visiting Nurse Association of Somerset Hills.

Parents should note that New Jersey law requires that children up to 59 months of age attending any licensed child-care center or pre-school facility, must receive at least one dose of influenza vaccine between September 1st and December 31st of each year. To assist parents in obtaining this vaccination for their pre-school child, the Bernards Township Health Department has scheduled our Seasonal Flu Shot clinics to include children who are age 4 and older in addition to administering flu shots to adults.

For additional information, call the Bernards Township Health Department at (908) 204-2520.

The Bernards Township Health Department is the contractual health agency for Bernards Township, Bernardsville Borough, Chester Borough, Long Hill Township, Mendham Borough, and Peapack and Gladstone Borough.



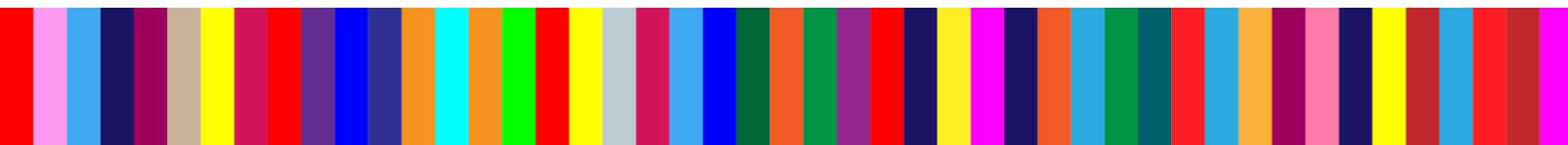
The Importance of Attendance and Being On Time

One of the most important things your child can do to achieve academic success is one of the most basic, attend school every day and arrive on time.

Being in school every day means your child won't miss out on learning. Try to schedule appointments and family trips outside of school hours. If they ask to stay home "just because," remind them of what they'll miss, such as time with friends or art class. Explain that they can only be absent if they are sick or if there is a family emergency.

Research shows that attendance is an important factor in student achievement. Encouraging and establishing good attendance habits early, helps students throughout their school years, into college and even into their careers later in life.

It is also important for students to arrive to school on time. This allows them more time to settle in and prepare for their day, by unpacking their backpack and lunch, organizing their desk, and having a quick chat with their friends before instruction begins. It also ensures that they don't miss any important information (lunch orders, reminders about tests/quizzes, etc.). Most importantly, being on time allows them to develop lifelong habits!



Help out at Liberty Corner School!

We are hosting our annual Pizza Night this Friday, 9/28, from 4:30-6:30.

We are looking for volunteers to help us sell pizza and run stations (simple face painting, book mark making, etc.).

We will begin setting up by 3:30 / 4:00 and will be finished by 7. Students are mostly needed during the actual event (4:30-6:30), but are of course welcome to help us set up as well.

This is a great opportunity for students to fulfill service requirements!

For more information, contact Laura Kimmel at 610-639-1857

