

From the desk of Darlene Braun

May Newsletter already! Thank you for sharing your children with us. It is a blessing to work together teaching our students the importance of being the hands, feet and voice of Jesus to all they meet. I pray that our fifth graders will take the moral values and social skills they developed over the past years and continue to apply them to life experiences.

Fourteen members of the fifth grade class are the last of their families to graduate from SJS. Thank you for your dedication to SJS. Please keep us in your prayers as we begin the endeavor to plan for future generations. Fifth grade graduation mass is May 23 at 8:00 AM. Everyone is welcome!

The Spring Concert is Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30 PM at Riggs Theatre. Yes, the calendar with the events for the year says May 10 but there were scheduling conflicts on that date. Children are to look patriotic, wearing red, white, and/or blue. Please invite Veterans that you know to join your family; the concert is a beautiful tribute to our country and those who served.

The SJS Council approved the budget for next year. Tuition will increase \$120.00. Presently, the same teachers will teach the same grade and subjects. We are blessed!

Thank you to those who participated in the magazine drive. I know this is the least favorite of the fundraisers but it is structured to enable everyone to participate. Families can either pay the buy-out or sell the product. Honestly, when my daughter was in school I told relatives about the benefits of and our love for the school and asked for a donation. It takes every family working together for us to succeed! Presently, Home and School does not have the money to cover the financial commitment to the parish.

Grades 3-5 have been taking the State Assessment. Individual results should be included in the report cards. School-wide results will be published on the web page.

Grade 5 parents, please remember the transition meeting at GMMS at 5:30 on May 9.

Kindergarten parents, your child's last day of school is May 22 to allow for next year's class to visit the classrooms on the 23rd. Thank you for understanding and for making the necessary arrangements.

The last day of school for students in grades 1-5 is May 23 and it is a half-day. Please send a lunch with your child that day. The kitchen will be closed for spring cleaning!

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for your support of the staff and school.

He is risen, have faith in Him and He will always be there for you!