



## REMINDERS

- Pre-paid order forms for Saint James School yearbooks will be sent to families soon. Check backpacks for them!
- Keep sending in Box Tops for Education!

## REGISTRATION

### FOR '10-'11 SCHOOL YEAR



Registration for new students started Jan. 26, 2010.

Registration for current students starts March 1, with registration forms and a \$50 non-refundable registration fee due by March 31, 2010. In order for your registration form to be accepted, your 2009-2010 tuition must be paid or current.

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

IF YOU HAVE A CHILD WHO WILL BE A NEW STUDENT AT SAINT JAMES IN THE FALL AND HE/SHE IS NOT ENROLLED IN SAINT JAMES PRE-KINDERGARTEN, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ASAP TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION AND TO SET UP A SCREENING APPOINTMENT OR PLACEMENT TEST. APPOINTMENTS ARE BEING MADE FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF MARCH.

## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Feb 2	Ground Hog Day
Feb 3	H.S.A. Meeting, 6:30PM, Convent
Feb 5	Grades 6,7,8 Dance, 7:00 PM, St. James
Feb 8	School Board Meeting, 7:00PM, Convent
Feb 10	Rosary Prayed, 8:20AM, Gym
Feb 11	All-State Jazz Band Rehearsal, 6:00-9:00PM, Gym
Feb 12	Movie Night Sponsored by H.S.A., 5:30-8:30PM, Gym/Cafeteria
Feb 14	Happy Valentine's Day! 
<b>Feb 15-19</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL MID-WINTER RECESS</b>
Feb 17	Ash Wednesday 
Feb 24	Catholic Schools Day at State Capitol
Feb 25	Staff Meeting, 2:20PM All-State Jazz Band Rehearsal, 6:00-9:00PM, Gym
Feb 26	Progress Reports Distributed Lenten Dinner, 5:00-7:00PM, Lower Church

**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE**

**Saint James School Foundation**

**16<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Scramble  
Golf Classic**



Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Manchester Country Club

More details to follow, please call  
(860)614-5368 for information

**Congratulations to the K of C  
Spelling Bee Candidates**



The following students from our fourth, fifth, and sixth grades will represent St. James School in the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee Contest in March:

**Grade 4 Winner: Aidan Ward-Manthey**

Alternate: Caroline Brennan

**Grade 5 Winner: Gavin Dias**

Alternate: David Mantese

**Grade 6 Winner: Amanda Guzzi**

Alternate: Erinne Neff

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL!**

**GALA NEWS**



Reminder: Save the date of April 10<sup>th</sup> for this year's Gala fundraiser! It will be held at the Hartford Hilton from 6PM-12PM. If you want to volunteer, or if you want to donate an auction item, contact Paul Munns @ 860-214-4249 or paulmunns@yahoo.com. Examples of donations: use of vacation home, a service, baskets of goods, anything of value.

**DRESS CODE REMINDERS**



- Uniforms should be clean, fit properly, and be in good condition.
- Shirts must be tucked in.
- No nail polish should be worn.
- Students' hair must be clean, neat, and well-cut. Boys' hair should not extend below the ear lobe or touch the shirt collar. The coloration of hair is not permitted.
- Students may not wear make-up during the school day.
- Only one earring is allowed in each ear for girls.
- Shoes should be black or brown tie dress shoes or Mary-Jane style buckle shoes for girls.

**These are school policies, please do not make exceptions for your children.**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE NEWS**

Jackie Bridgeman and Marisa Porco will be retiring from co-chairing the Middle School Dances in May, as their daughters are graduating this year. We invite any interested parents to consider taking this position for the upcoming school year. It involves scheduling and organizing three dances held at St. James, and recruiting volunteers to chaperone the dances held at the other Catholic schools throughout the year. It is a great opportunity to meet other parents, and provide a fun event all the students look forward to. Most of the organizing is managed through email, and on the day of the dance, there are plenty of helpers after school that are willing to help set up. Please contact Marisa Porco at 860-5479 or erpc@aol.com if you are interested in learning more.



Congratulations to all of the Saint James eighth graders who have been accepted to East Catholic High School for the 2010-2011 school year!



### NOTES FROM THE NURSE

#### IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO GRADES 5-8 PARENTS:

A letter has been sent home with your child regarding scoliosis screening. Please review the information and contact the nurse ASAP if you have any questions. If you do not want your child screened, please submit a note to the school nurse. Screenings will begin this month.

#### IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL CURRENT GRADE 6 STUDENTS AND PARENTS

The State of Connecticut mandates that all students entering Grade 7 in September 2010 have a current physical assessment form on file with the school. These blue health forms are available in the school nurse's office or from your child's physician. Please contact Mrs. Vignati ASAP to verify whether or not a current physical is on file.

##### Cold and Cough Reminders

1. Be sure your child is dressed appropriately to keep warm in the cold weather.
2. The best treatments for colds are rest and fluids.

Keep your child home from school if he/she is not feeling well, is frequently coughing with complaints of not feeling well, has a temperature, or diarrhea/nausea, vomiting, or any skin rash or eye drainage of unknown origin.

##### Encourage General Healthy Habits for Everyone

1. Practice good hand washing to prevent spreading of germs and viruses.
2. Don't share eating utensils or cups.
3. Cough or sneeze into your elbow (not your hand) or use a tissue and wash hands frequently.
4. Don't share combs/brushes or hats.
5. Eat breakfast every day to enhance alertness and good performance and avoid mid-morning complaints of headache/stomachache/weakness.
6. Encourage regular bedtimes.



#### Instrumental Music Program

Saint James School hosted the 2010 All-State auditions on January 22nd and 23rd. These students will perform at the Future Musicians All-State Band Concert on March 20th, at Central Connecticut State University. Congratulations to the following 13 Saint James students:

All-State Jazz: Carolyn Rowan, Katie Mathieu, David Mathieu, and Tiffany Dias

All-State Symphonic Band: Carolyn Rowan, Katie Mathieu, Kaylee Campbell, David Mathieu, Tiffany Dias, and Hailey McKeever

All-State Concert Band: Jessica Leary, Trent Carriere, Katie Connolly, Thomas Bates, Kellen Hackett, Zachary Hess, Gavin Dias

All four Saint James Bands plus the third grade recorder students will perform at the Saint James Spring Concert on Wednesday night, May 5th, at 7:00PM. Please mark your calendars.

#### BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

On January 15, 2010, St. James School received a nomination from the CAPE (Council for American Private Education) Private School Review Panel, to submit their application to the U.S. Department of Education for review and consideration to be named a Blue Ribbon School. St. James School was nominated based on its students' performance on the IOWA Standardized Tests. One hundred thirty-nine applications from private schools were received and CAPE was allowed to nominate fifty schools to participate in the next round of application reviews by the U.S. Dept. of Education. The application included an explanation of our curriculum, governance, professional development, test scores, communication with our parent community, evaluation process, and use of test results to improve instruction. The school will be notified in September of the results. If the school is selected, a large blue ribbon banner will be posted, and school representatives will attend an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. This prestigious award would give St. James School national recognition and validate all the hard work of the staff and students.

## SECOND QUARTER MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

HIGH HONORSGRADE FIVE

Lauren Bairos  
Alexis Barselau  
Alexandra Burke  
Paige Driscoll  
Jordyn Dube  
Mollie Fleming  
Emily Grant  
Andrew Kinney  
Thomas Lacher  
Shannon Leary  
David Mantese  
Joshua Mendoza  
Amelia Ockert

GRADE SIX

Stephanie Helin  
David Mathieu  
Erinne Neff  
Anthony Rein

GRADE SEVEN

Tiffany Dias  
Marissa Gudauskas  
Juliana Holcomb  
Zachary Maloof  
Ben Schwendy

GRADE EIGHT

Austin Barselau  
Ryan Corl  
Paul Guardino  
Christopher Hanna  
Patrick Lacher  
Jessica Leary  
John Mantese  
Carolyn Rowan

GENERAL HONORSGRADE FIVE

Edward Andeen  
Kelly Chmielewski  
Anne Congleton  
Allison Connolly  
Kaylah Costa  
Gavin Dias  
Alyssa Elmy  
Alyssa Fiori  
Taylor Giorgetti  
William Grant  
AJ Guardino  
Winona Keeney  
Ramona Khanna  
Samantha Meyer  
James Plante  
Julia Setzler  
Michael Soper  
Allison Vignati

GRADE SIX

Thomas Bates  
Emily Corl  
Michael Doody  
Benjamin Gluhosky  
Amanda Guzzi  
Zachary Hess  
Gregory Lachcik  
Matthew Melia  
Hunter Stone  
Eleanor Voss

GRADE SEVEN

Hanna Bauer  
Jenna Bazzano  
Steven Bolger  
Julia Brennan  
Jeffrey Dion  
Cristianna Duvall  
Rachael Elmy  
Hannah Francoline  
Landon Herr  
Geoffrey Horvath  
Peter Lachcik  
Jake McCarthy  
Hailey McKeever  
Nicholas Mendoza  
Alyssa Nadeau  
Cecilia Parla  
Jack Sanford  
Emily Sargent  
Rebekah Strand  
Dianna Tedford  
Maile Thongsythavong  
Caylee Whitaker  
Brooke White  
David Wu

GRADE EIGHT

Matthew Alexander  
Mary Claire Blackwell  
Nicco Carilli  
Alexis Corrao  
Natalie Forand  
Danielle Gacek  
Keeyan Ghoreshi  
Brenna Gordon  
Kathryn Kowalsky  
Dakin Neff  
Erin Payton  
Taylor Porco  
Megan Russo  
Eric Sahi  
Amanda Thompson  
Joseph Voss  
Adrian Ward-Manthey

**GREAT JOB!**