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# Saber Stories



June 2009 Newsletter

Patricia Kanute, Principal



## IMPORTANT NOTES

- **JUNE 5-NO HOT LUNCH  
BRING LUNCH AND DRINK**
- June 17, 18, 19 Early Dismissal Days - 12:05 PM
- June 19 - Last Day of School
- September 1 - First Day of '09-'10 School Year

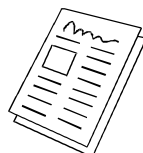
## MISSION STATEMENT

Saint James School provides an environment in which parents and teachers collaborate in giving youth a complete Catholic education, striving to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ by fulfilling our Christian obligation toward family, church, and society. Inspired by the Sisters of Mercy, we continue to provide a quality learning community comprised of Pre-K through Grade 8 students. Our school is rooted in faith and academic excellence by recognizing, respecting and nurturing the unique gifts of our culturally diverse students, enabling them to reach their full potential.

## Newsletter Submissions

If you have an article to submit to the newsletter, please hand a paper copy in to Mrs. Kanute by the 25th of the month for approval, and if possible, a Microsoft Word document to

susanschwendy@cox.net.



## JUNE CALENDAR

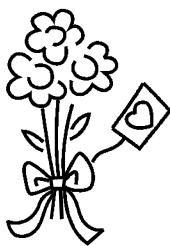
June 3	Rosary Prayed, 8:20AM, Gym Library Visit Grades K-3, 9:00AM, Gym
June 4	Staff Meeting H.S.A. Meeting, 7PM, Convent
June 5	Staff Appreciation Luncheon, 12-1PM, Cafeteria <b>NO HOT LUNCH - BRING LUNCH &amp; DRINK</b>
June 8	New Kindergarten Students Visit School, 1PM, Gym Students Visit Next Year's Classrooms, 1:15 - 1:45PM Dennis Uniform Company Visit, 1-4PM, Lower Church Grade K - Field Day
June 9	Grade 8 - Class Trip
June 10	Science Fair, Grade 4, 9:00AM-11:30AM, Gym Pre-K Stepping Up Ceremony, 10AM Gr. 8 Banquet, 5:30PM, Lower Church Gr. 8 Awards Ceremony, 7PM, Church
June 11	Grade 1 - Field Day
June 12	Kindergarten Celebration, 10AM, Gym, Reception following, Lower Church Gr. 8 Graduation, 7PM, Church Grade 4 - Field Day
June 15	Grade 2 - Field Day School Board Meeting, 7PM, Upper Convent
June 16	Grade 3 - Field Day
June 17	<b>FOUR-HOUR DAY - 12:05 DISMISSAL</b> Grades 6 and 7 - Field Day
June 18	<b>FOUR-HOUR DAY - 12:05 DISMISSAL</b> Grade 5 - Field Day
June 19	<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - 12:05 DISMISSAL</b> Awards Assembly, 8:20AM, Gym Mass, 9:00 AM, Church
June 21	<b>HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL "DADS"! HAPPY SUMMER TO EVERYONE! READ, RELAX, AND ENJOY!</b>

### FAREWELL TO STAFF MEMBERS...

The Saint James School Community will say good-bye to three staff members at the end of this school year. Two staff members are retiring, and we wish them much happiness - Mrs. Anne Helin, Grade 1 Aide, and Mr. Edward Lataille, Custodian. One staff member is entering a new endeavor - Mrs. Monica Minichiello. We thank them for their devoted service to Saint James School and wish them well!

#### THANK YOU

A great big thank you to all the very special people who make Saint James School such a great school—Fathers Cavanaugh and Manna, the staff, the children, the parents, the Home and School Association, the School Board, the School Foundation, the coaches, and all the volunteers. A special thank you for many years of service and a sad farewell to the staff members who are leaving the school this year. Working as a team—school and home—works! Thank you for a good year! Have an enjoyable and fun summer!



-Mrs. Kanute



#### BUS TRANSPORTATION TO DAYCARE

All requests for Manchester residents' bus transportation to daycare addresses must be approved by the Manchester Board of Education Transportation Office. Please call 647-3476 to obtain a form to be filled out. This form can also be obtained from the Manchester Board of Education website.

#### CLUBS

Would anyone like to volunteer to organize and run a club after school? We welcome your expertise and willingness to challenge our students on a different level such as Math Club, Robotics Club, or Chess Club. Please contact the principal, Mrs. Kanute, with your ideas and plan.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ALUMNI

East Catholic High School recently announced the students who have been inducted into the Monsignor Robert W. Doyle Chapter of the National Honor Society this year. Membership is based on a student's academic record, leadership, character, and service. The following Saint James alumni are among the new members:

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| Alexis Carriere | Eileen Gunn      |
| Grace Carter    | Timothy Hobson   |
| Ealish Cassidy  | Gregory Horvath  |
| Michael Davis   | Megan McNamara   |
| Niall Garrahan  | Gregory Pfeiffer |
| Theresa Giard   | Kristina Tedford |



## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

The Saint James Bands had their Spring Musical Festival on Wednesday, May 6th. This year's event was exciting, as all four bands performed. The Beginning Band played four numbers, including the theme from the Olympics. The Intermediate Band performed two marches, a Latin song, and the classical composition "Largo" from Dvorak's Second Symphony. The Advanced Band played a highly charged program, ending with music from the Broadway Musical "A Chorus Line". The Jazz Band performed "Smoke on the Water". Mrs. Tabachnick brought the entire third grade to the school concert to perform on their recorders.

Mr. Corcoran invited alumni and parents who play wind instruments to join the group for their last two numbers. Angela Rowan, Class of 2008, and Daniel Corcoran, Class of 2006, joined the band, as well as the following parents:

Julianne Corcoran's mother on flute

James Dusza's father on trumpet

The combined group performed "America the Beautiful" with Mrs. Tabachnick singing and saying the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by the band's theme song.

Congratulations to the following Saint James students who performed at the Old State House in Hartford on Friday, May 22nd. From the Future Musicians All State Concert Band: Sean Walton, Melissa Moynihan and Katie Connolly; the All State Symphonic Band: Julianne Corcoran, James Dusza, Sean McCarrick, Carolyn Rowan, Katie Mathieu, Tiffany Dias, and David Mathieu.

Summer music lessons will be held on Thursdays this summer. Registration forms were given out at the end of the May 22nd demonstration for grades three and four. Mr. Corcoran would like to thank Mrs. Kanute and the Saint James faculty for supporting the instrumental music program.

**Special Note...**It has been brought to our attention that the band is in need of more music stands, black bow ties, and black cummerbunds. Any monetary donations towards these items would be greatly appreciated.

## NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE



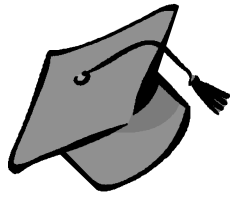
**Absences:** Parents are reminded to call the school before 9:00 A.M. **each day** their child is out of school.

**Parents/Guardians:** A reminder to pick up all medications/equipment prior to your child's last day of school. **The children cannot bring them home.** All medication authorization forms need to be renewed annually for each school year. It is your responsibility to bring medications and a completed/signed medication authorization form to the nurse during the next school year, 2009-2010.

**Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade students for Fall 2009:** A reminder to parents/guardians that **physical exams are required in order to enter grade 7.** If you have not returned the blue State of Connecticut health form, please contact the school nurse **as soon as possible.**

The **sports authorization forms** must be submitted annually for participation in after-school sports. Blank forms for the 2009-2010 school year are available in the school office.

**Hot weather** is coming: remember water bottles and apply sunscreen/bug spray for outside activities. The nurse does not supply these items.



# Congratulations And Best Wishes to the Saint James School Class of 2009!

Kathryn Bauer	Maryelizabeth Henderson
Andrew Bolger	Elsie Koduah
Aaron Bousquet	Wesley Langlais
Colby Boutot	Kyle Ledbetter
Daniel Branciforte	Darleen Lehmann
Kyle Carter	Evan Lindsay
Tiana Christiana	Samantha Little
Michelle Congleton	Kylie Lynch
Julianne Corcoran	Daria Marvasti
Vanessa Corrao	Hope McCarrick
Allison Cox	Sean McCarrick
Catherine Dennis	Tommy Modugno
Lauren Driscoll	Melissa Moynihan
James Dusza	Thomas Parisi
Sarah Fluckiger	James Parla
Natalie Fresher	Abigail Perreira
Brooke Gilbert	Matthew Reichelt
Kirsten Goodwin	Kathleen Sarpu
AnnieLaurie Graham	Jocelyn Stetson
Austin Griffin	Demetri Vernadakis
Sean Walton	

Good luck in high school!  
May all your dreams come true!  
God bless you all!

