



Notes from Mrs. Nash

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.

St. John Fisher School

January 17, 2020

Dear SJF Families,

We are half-way through our very busy month. This week our students learned about the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. King was a staunch supporter of equal rights, human rights, peace and education. He said, "The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education." I am a firm believer that our school embodies just that. I would argue that character comes first. One of our most important jobs is to ensure that our children always act with integrity and have an unwavering strong character. We want to ensure that all of our kids can go out into the world and make a positive impact and difference. Thank you for choosing St. John Fisher and for partnering with us to cultivate these fabulous and inspiring young people.

We will continue to discuss and celebrate the importance of Catholic Schools during Catholic Schools Week which begins for SJF on January 25th. Please see below the many exciting events ahead. Thank you so much for your continued support and commitment to Catholic education, but specifically, St. John Fisher School.

In unity and hope,

-Mrs. Maura Nash

Important Announcements

- **SAVE THE DATE** for *Catholic Schools Week* as we celebrate all of the amazing things that make SJF unique: **January 25th - January 31st**
 - **January 25th**: Help us kick off Catholic Schools Week with **Conner T. Lowry Night @ SJF – Live Life Kind!**
 - **January 26th**: **New Family Open House 9-10, Family Mass 10-11, All-School Open House 11-12** *We can't wait to celebrate with you!*
- During *Catholic Schools Week* every grade will be assigned a random act of kindness to complete each day in lieu of homework. Therefore, **Homework Club is CANCELLED January 28th & 29th.**
- **REGISTRATION FORMS** for the 2020-2021 school year were sent home to pre-school families this week. *Registration for new families* opens up during Catholic Schools Week. **Please promote SJF** to your friends, family and neighbors and encourage them to attend our Open House! *It is a great time to be a falcon!*
- **The SJF Book Fair returns** this year during *Catholic Schools Week*. Here is the link with information: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stjohnfisherschool> **The Book Fair** will be open *Sunday January 26th from 11:00 - 1:00 & Monday - Friday January 27th – 31st before school at 7:30 and after school until 3:00.* *ALL PROCEEDS from the Book Fair will go toward creating a leveled book room and help support the Reading Intervention Program. Contact Kate Keller with questions, kkeller@sjfschool.net.

- **Pack the Place for Girls Volleyball is this Saturday.**
Please come out to support our Girls Volleyball Teams!

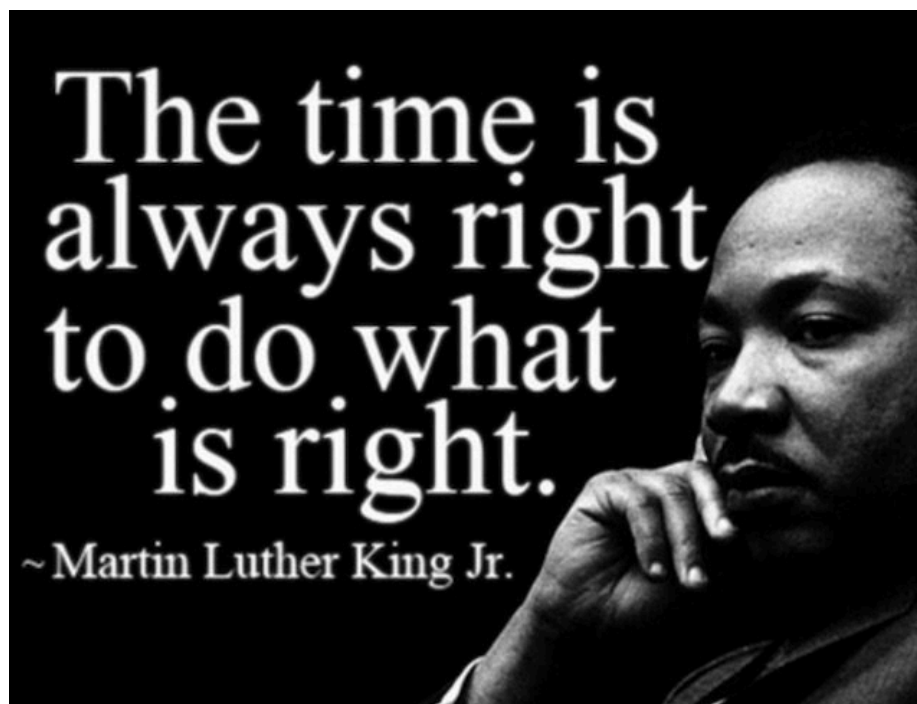
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SJF 11:20	5 SJF BLUE	CAJETAN	St. AI
SJF 12:10	6B SJF RED	BARNABAS	St. AI
SJF 1:00	6B SJF BLUE	CAJETAN	St. AI
SJF 1:50	6B SJF WHITE	ANNUNCIATA	St. AI
SJF 2:40	6A SJF	MIKES	St. AI
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SJF 6:30	8B SJF WHITE	CHRISTINA	SSCC
SJF 7:15	8B SJF BLUE	MHR	SSCC
SJF 8:00	8A SJF	PATS	SSCC

- **We need your help collecting milk jugs for a special project for our Preschool.** Preschool is looking for your EMPTY, RINSED-OUT milk jugs (with caps on) to make a large igloo. Please save and send in to school your empty gallon sized milk or water jugs (WE NEED A LOT!). Milk jugs can be dropped off at the school office or to Miss Fadden (room 109). If you have questions, please feel free to e-mail kfadden@sjschool.net. Thank you so much for your help!
- **Pictures Needed for Yearbook 2019-2020:** SJF's Yearbook Team is looking for pictures to include in our 2019-2020 yearbook. Group pictures preferably! We are looking for sporting events, field trips, classroom photos, etc. We cannot guarantee that all pictures will make it into the yearbook, but we hope to have lots to choose from. Uploading instructions are below. Thank you!
- The **Father-Daughter Dance is February 1st**. Please see the below advertisement for more details. Hard copies of the invitation will be sent home next week.
- FYI, *February lunches are open for ordering*. Also, several students have been coming to school without lunches. *Please check to make sure your child has a packed a lunch if he or she has not ordered a hot lunch*. Thank you!
- **Comedy Night with Pat McGann is CANCELLED due to an unexpected change in Pat's schedule.**
- **GET BEHIND THE VEST PANCAKE BREAKFAST is February 23rd @ SJF!**
- **Early Morning Drop-off: Please be mindful that students aren't allowed in the building before the bell** unless they have made prior arrangements with a teacher, are taking an AR or are utilizing extended day. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!




 Peek at the Week

Saturday, January 17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls Volleyball Pack the Place! • ETC with Mrs. Altman 9-12 ~ Winter Olympics
Sunday, January 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Please join us for Mass:</i> 4pm on Saturday ~ 8, 10, Noon & 5:30 • SJF Holy Name Society AFC/NFC Football Party in Kane Hall
Monday, January 20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No School in observation of Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday
Tuesday, January 21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework Club 2:30-3 • ETC ~ Winter Wonderland 2:25-3:30
Wednesday, January 22 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework Club 2:30-3 • ETC ~ Nerf Football & Winter Science Club 2:25-3:30
Thursday, January 23 rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's Choir Practice @ 3:45 in Church
Friday, January 24 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RED, WHITE & BLUE Dress Down Day in honor of <i>Conner T. Lowry</i> • Girl Scouts Movie Night
Saturday, January 25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Conner T. Lowry Night</i> @ 5:15 in the Conner T. Lowry Gym @ SJF
Sunday January 26 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN HOUSE 9-10 & 11-12 • Catholic Schools Week Family Mass 10





FALCON OF THE WEEK

Mimi Barrins, 6th grade



SJF's "Falcon of the Week" is 6th grader, Mimi Barrins.

This year, our school theme is "Fly Like a Falcon." At school, we are intentionally discussing what it means to be a falcon. Falcons soar above, capturing an aerial view of what is going on below. We are encouraging our school community to "soar above" things that might bring us down, not allowing us to be our best selves. We are on a school-wide crusade to "Fly Like a Falcon," lifting one another up, celebrating the positive interactions and kind behavior that our students demonstrate each and every day. Our "Falcon of the Week" is Mimi Barrins. Mimi stands out amongst her peers because she is a humble, inclusive leader, a hard working student and has a

great sense of humor. Mimi is always willing to help her teachers in the classroom with anything that needs to be done and is always the first to offer help to a classmate. Mimi consistently puts her best foot forward and does so with a smile, no matter what the task. Her helpful, kind and inclusive spirit follows her wherever she goes. This week, Mimi was spotted stopping a line of middle schoolers from going upstairs in order to allow a group of younger students to walk ahead of her and her peers. Mimi is always thinking of others. Trying to make things better for those around her comes naturally. We are proud that Mimi is a falcon! Thank you, Mimi, for being an awesome example for all of us each and every day. Keep "Flying like a Falcon", you're making a difference!

ST. JOHN FISHER SALUTES CONNER T. LOWRY

LIVE LIFE KIND

JANUARY 25TH @ 5:00 PM



When: January 25th, 2020 5pm (Ceremony Before Last Game of the Day)

Where: Conner T. Lowry Gym @ St. John Fisher School

- **ST JOHN FISHER ATHLETIC BOARD PROUDLY INVITES YOU TO HELP US PROPERLY THANK THE FAMILY OF CONNER T. LOWRY FOR THEIR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO HELP US MAKE ALL THE NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS THAT WERE GREATLY NEEDED TO RENOVATE THE GYMNASIUM.**
- **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN AMERICAN FLAG TO HOLD DURING THE CEREMONY AND WE WILL HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR SALE (KIDS AND ADULTS SIZES).**
- **WE ASK THAT ALL WHO ATTEND WEAR RED, WHITE OR BLUE.**



**ST. JOHN FISHER
SCHOOL**

St. John Fisher Celebrates Catholic Schools Week!

Sunday, January 26



New Family Open House: 9-10 am
Family Mass: 10-11 am
All-School Open House: 11-12 am

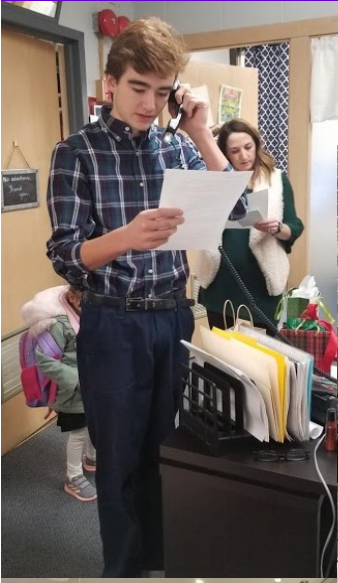
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A highlight of 8th Grade... leading our year-end Christmas Pep Assembly/ Prayer service:
2020 Can't Believe It's Here:
8th grade
So far it's been a GREAT year!

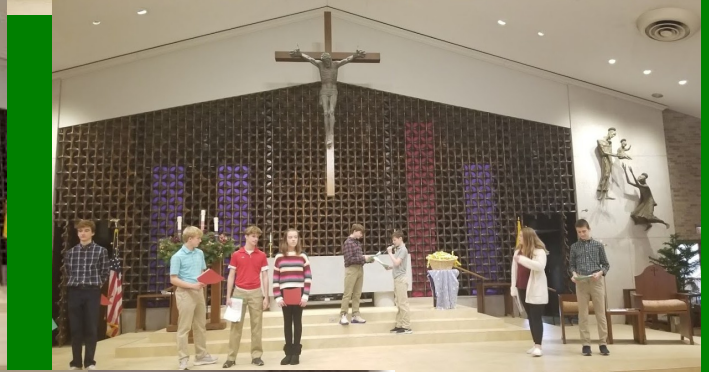


Aidan & Zoey: A - Z read our final P.A. prayer for the year, remembering Jesus is our Alpha & Omega



“2020: It was Christmas time
8th Grade: this Falcon Flock is Prime
Time”

*Christmas pep assembly/prayer service
Page 2: Readings, Prayers, & Songs*



Remembering the Christmas birthdays



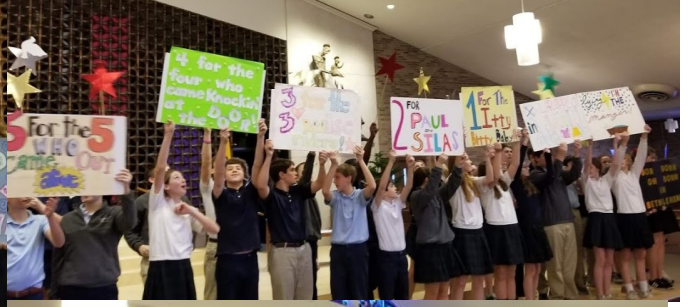
The Night Before Christmas



Class of 2020 Singing “Sleigh Ride”.

Faculty singing “Joy to the World”. →

“2020: Now’s our time to shine
8th Grade
This Falcon Flock is so fine.”
*Christmas pep assembly/prayer
service, page 3: “The Song”*



Thanks to our 8th graders for taking the theme “Angels Among Us” and applying it so creatively to the Christmas movies: A Wonderful Life, Home Alone, and Home Alone 2. Thanks to Father Ken for playing Sleigh Ride, and the 8th graders for singing that song. Your prayers, songs and readings remind us of

SJF

GARDEN FLAGS

FOR SALE

**GARDEN FLAGS ARE FOR
PURCHASE FOR \$15**

- **IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE, SEND
YOUR \$15 IN AN ENVELOPE WITH
YOUR STUDENT AND WE WILL SEND
IT HOME**

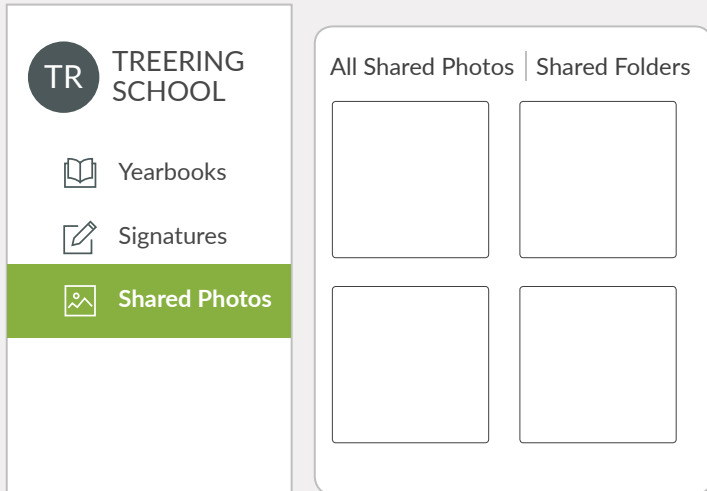
***THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT OF
OUR SCHOOL. FLAUNT THAT
FISHER PRIDE!***



We Need Your Photos for the St. John Fisher Yearbook

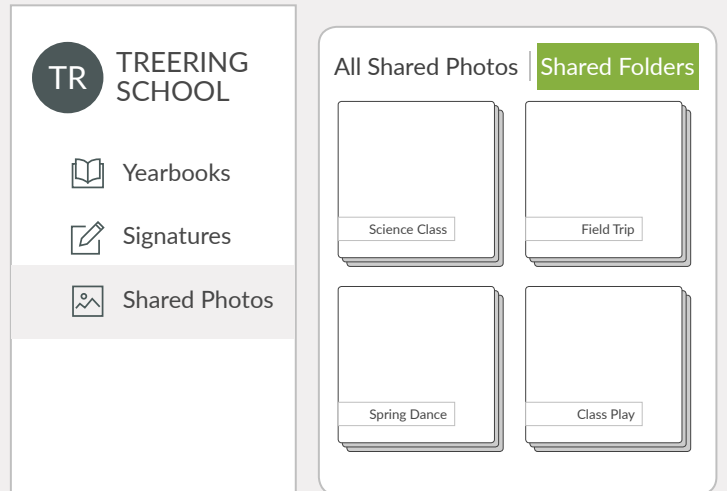
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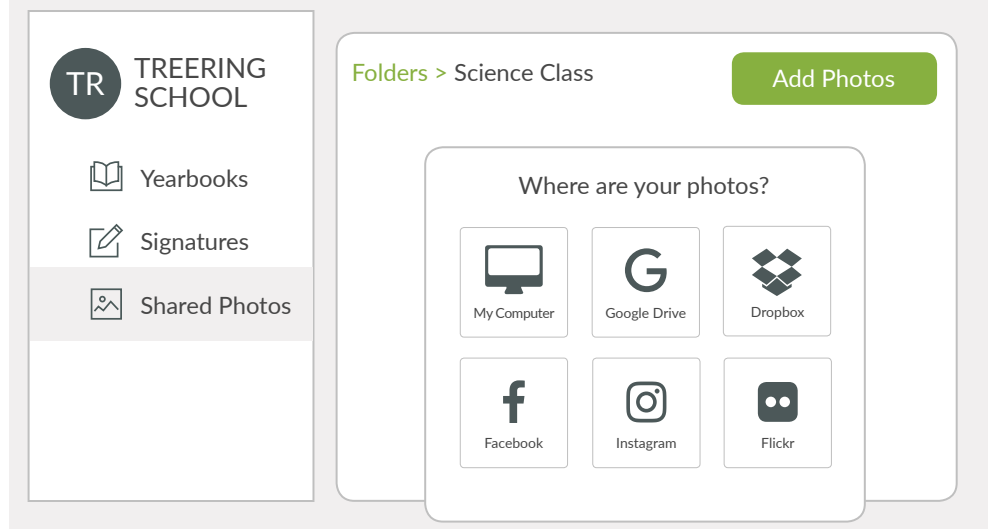
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Add Photos from Google Drive, Facebook, Instagram, Dropbox & more.



Sign In or Create an Account to Upload Photos:

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

- 1 Go to www.treering.com/validate
- 2 Enter our school's passcode: **1015271802074961**

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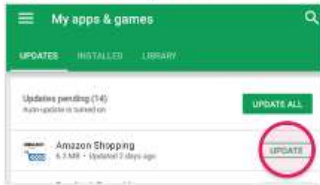
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AmazonSmile is now in the Amazon Shopping App

You can now support your favorite charity when you shop using the Amazon Shopping App on your Android device. See below for instructions to turn on AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping App.

Follow the steps attached below to add AmazonSmile in your Amazon Shopping App. This feature is coming very soon for iOS (Apple), stay tuned!

1 Make sure you have the latest version of the Amazon Shopping App



1. Open the Google Play Store
2. Tap the menu (≡)
3. Tap on My apps & games
4. Tap the Updates tab
5. Update the Amazon Shopping App

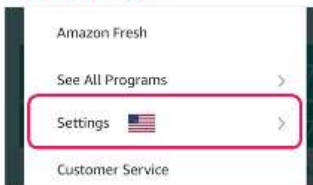
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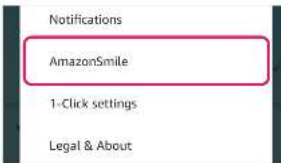
3 Tap in the main menu in the Amazon App



4 Tap Settings



5 Tap AmazonSmile



6 Follow the instructions on the screen to turn on AmazonSmile



7 All set! Tap the Start shopping button and support charity



Coming soon on iOS. Stay tuned!