



THE COUGAR



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Message from Mrs. Gardiner

January 5, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardians,

Happy 2023! As we enter into a new calendar and liturgical year, it is a time of individual reflection, resolutions, and fresh starts. I would like to share a **New Year's Prayer** from *Stand on the Promise: Daily Prayers for Young People* by Father Trey Nelson.

Dear Lord,

As I look back on this past year, I am thankful for so much. I think of the really happy times, and I remember the tough ones too. In all of these experiences you have blessed me, Lord. Many people talk about making resolutions for the new year. As for me, I resolve to live a holier life. I ask for your help with this, because I truly desire to be close to you in the way that I live each day. Keep all who celebrate this holiday safe under your protection and care. May I grow in wisdom and love throughout these next twelve months, And may I come to more deeply appreciate the gift of life itself. And may I choose to be more charitable to all those I meet. I ask this prayer in your name, you who are my Lord forever and ever.

Amen.

Below are a few items to bring to your attention:

School Sports: Boys' basketball, girls' volleyball, girls' soccer, track and field, Cougarettes, and cheerleading will take place during the second half of the school year. The CSAA schedules for the spring semester will remain in-tact with students playing under the Diocese of Baton Rouge guidelines. All athletes participating in spring sports may wear their jerseys or SJS team shirt on Cougar Pride Spirit Days (Friday).

Used Uniform Sale: The Home and School used uniform sale is scheduled for Sunday, January 8th in the activity center from 9:00 am- noon. Payments can be made with cash or checks only.

Student of the Year: Congratulations to St. Jude's 2023 Student of the Year, 8th grader Michael Esteve! Michael will represent our school in the Diocesan Student of the Year Competition.

Distinguished Graduate: Congratulations to St. Jude's 2023 Distinguished Graduate, Anna Kay Richard! Mrs. Richard will be recognized in January by the diocese at the annual Distinguished Graduates dinner.

No School: In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, there will be **NO school on Monday, January 16th**.

May the New Year bring you and your family love, hope, and peace.

One in Christ,

Michelle Gardiner, M.Ed.

Used Uniform Sale
This Sunday in the SJS Activity Center
9:00am until noon
Cash and checks accepted



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Home and School

USED UNIFORM SALE: Parents, mark your calendars!! The next Used Uniform Sale is January 8th from 9am -12pm in the gym . This is a great opportunity to stock up on sweatshirts, fleeces, and other uniform items at amazing prices and support the St. Jude Home and School Association. If you have any items to donate, you can drop them off in the office or contact Ashley Territo at 225-610-4914 or Amanda Marshall at 225-333- 0306 to make other arrangements.

LUNCHROOM VOLUNTEERS: The St. Jude School Cafeteria depends on volunteers to help serve lunch to our students. Two volunteers are needed every day to serve either a half shift (9:45-11:15am) or full shift (9:45am -12:30pm). There are still plenty of slots available in January. Click the link to sign up: [St. Jude the Apostle School: Lunchroom Volunteers \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

MOTHER SETON AWARD: It is time to nominate and select our Mother Seton Award recipient! This is awarded to our top H&S volunteer! Recipients of the Mother Seton Award are honored for exemplary volunteerism and dedication to their Home and School, Church, and Parish. Please submit your nominations by Jan 14, 2023: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeZzs7R-orVeaA3TU7QJ78Xojk4MeXDh3QCjEmEW9noTltJhw/viewform>

Athletics

4th GRADE BOYS BASETBALL: Your 4th Grade Hart Boys Basketball team began their 22-23 season 1-1 with an exciting home victory over St. Aloysius before the break. They return to the court this Saturday to play at St. George followed by a home game on Thursday against MBS.

7th GRADE BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL: 7th grade boys will be playing in the Sacred Heart Tournament this weekend – come cheer on our Cougars!

6th GRADE BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL: The 6th Grade Boys Varsity Basketball team defeated MBS at Home Wednesday night to start their season 1-0. They were lead by team captains, William Esteve and Mason Graves. The team plays again this weekend in the St. Jean Vianney Tournament – come cheer on our Cougars!

St. Jude School Campus Coffee Informational Meeting & School Tour

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Medical Policy

Students sent to school with an orthopedic appliance such as a cast, sling, brace, splint, crutches, etc. must bring a note from the physician regarding diagnosis and activity restriction. If a student is sent to school with an appliance before seeing a doctor, please send a note stating that an appointment has been made. This is a precautionary measure for the safety and well being of our child and other students.

7TH ANNUAL ST. JUDE AUCTION



Cougar Krewe
ROLLIN' THROUGH



Save the Date
— February 4th, 2023 —

Important Dates

Friday, January 6th....Spirit Day

Tuesday, January 10th....6th grade level Mass

Friday, January 13th....\$1 free dress fundraiser for Garage 10

January 16th....MLK Holiday/No School