



THE COUGAR



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Message from Mrs. Gardiner

Dear St. Jude Families,

We closed out the month of October with a huge bang!! Thank you to our amazing Home and School Fun Run Committee, Kate Cook, chairperson, Brittany Martin, Rachel Lanus, Alyse Richards, Anna Richard, and Stephanie Reid for all your hard work making this year's event not only possible, but very memorable for the students. Additionally, thank you to our Fun Run Day volunteers, Monica Broggi, Nikki Collette, Jaclyn Landry, Lauren Malek, Melissa Guerin, Cat Heard, Claudia Frantz, Monica Vivano, Ashley Thibodeaux, Shawna Jeider, Adele Merchant, Catherine Kelty, Meghan Runion, Megan Moses, Deana Meredith, Rose Deadon, Jess Schmeackle, Cindi Sanders, Adam Davis, Julie Cerise, Kristie Esteve, Christina Hymel, Ashley Thibodeaux, Janet Hogstrom, Sabrina Simoneaux, Sarah Losavio, Heather Newsom, Kelli Partin, Evy Bonaventure, Jessica Giroir, Natalie Romero, Allison Guidry, Stephanie Powers, Rachel Chappell, Bernadette Roberson. Ryan Nesbit, and Keith Neal. None of the fun in the run would be possible without Alison Nesbit as the MC!! Thank you to all our families for your participation in the Fun Run Fundraising efforts! Congratulations to the 1st grade classes for winning the Fun Run homeroom prize. This event raised close to \$46,000 that will go towards the outdoor improvements to the school campus. Please be sure to go to the St. Jude the Apostle School Facebook page to see the Fun Run 2022 video!

Halloween Parties: Thank you to room parent coordinators and all the room mothers for making the Halloween parties exciting and entertaining for our students.

ALS Fundraiser: Thank you to all the parents, students, and faculty who participated and donated to the ALS Day at St. Jude School. This fundraising event raised \$400.00!! The proceeds will go to the ALS Foundation.

Geaux Pink Day: St. Jude School will celebrate Geaux Pink Day on November 11th. The fundraising proceeds will go to the Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center.

Below is some additional information to bring to your attention,

Pep Rally: Our "Cougar Heroes" pep rally is Friday, November 4th at 1:45 pm in the gym. We would love our parents to attend. We will honor the following athletes: football, girls' basketball, swimming, cross country, and intramural sports. Athletes are asked to wear their jersey or team shirt with uniform bottoms and school spirit accessories on Friday.

November 6th: Sunday, November 6th is the last home football game of the season. All intramural sports will be recognized at half time of the 5th/6th grade game. 8th grade students who participated in football, swim, and cross country will be recognized before the 7th/8th grade game, followed by a performance by the mini cheerleaders who participated in the Mini Cheer Camp.

Game times are: 11:30 am 3rd/4th grade game 1:30 pm 5th/6th grade game 3:00 pm 7th/8th grade game

Can Food Drive: The St. Jude Beta Club will host the annual St. Vincent de Paul Can Food Drive the week of November 7th-11th.

Bus Service: There will be **no bus service** from EBR on Tuesday, November 8th.

Grandparent's Day: Grandparent's Day 2022 performance of "St. Jude on Broadway" will be held on Friday, November 18th at 8:45 am in the St. Jude Activity Center followed by a visit to the classrooms. Parents and siblings are invited to attend a special performance on **Thursday, November 17th** at 1:00 pm in the St. Jude Activity Center.

Winter/Spring Uniform: Now that the weather is turning cooler, please check pgs. 47-50 of the parent/student handbook for outerwear uniform guidelines.

- Girls in Pre-K-8th may wear leggings. Leggings must be white, black, or navy. Uniform socks are to also be worn and skin may not show where the leggings and socks meet.
- Only SJS outerwear may be worn in the classroom. Student may also layer SJS outerwear as needed.
- Gloves, hats, and scarves may be worn outside at recess only.
- All Students may wear SJS sweatpants (purchased at Inka's). Girls may wear the sweatpants with a blouse or banded collar top. Wearing the jumper or skirt over the sweatpants is optional.
- All outerwear (sweatshirts, wind jackets, and fleeces) must be from either a uniform store or our H&S Association with the SJS logo.
- Jackets and coats are not allowed
- Girls in Pre-K-8th may have an option of wearing a solid navy cardigan.

One in Christ,

Michelle Gardiner, M.Ed.

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Home and School

FUN RUN 2022: Wow, St. Jude!! What an incredible Fun Run 2022!! We had 99% participation from our families and we raised over \$46,000 for improvements to our school!! HUGE thank you to the Fun Run Committee – Brittany Martin, Rachel Lanius, Alyse Richards, Anna Richard, and Stephanie Reid – and all of the Fun Run Day volunteers! And a special shout out to our Fun Run emcee Alison Nesbit and our DJ Jason Merchant for keeping the energy high all day!! Thank you to our corporate sponsors for your support – we could not have hosted the Fun Run without you! Congratulations to our class competition winners: 1st Place – 1st Grade; 2nd Place – 5th Grade; 3rd Place – 2nd Grade! Thank you to the Faculty and Staff of St. Jude for your support of the Fun Run and all that you do for our kids every day!

USED UNIFORMS: Save the date for the next Used Uniform Sale on January 8, 2023 from 9am to 12pm. Home and School is in need of a few more volunteers for our Christmas Shopping Sub for our Teachers program. Please only sign up if you have completed your Child Protection paperwork. Thank you for your generosity! Our teachers truly appreciate it!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DA8A82DA7FF2-christmas1>

SANTALAND: The Christmas season is quickly approaching! Every year our students are given the opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts for family & friends! Santa Land is coming to SJS Monday, November 28 - Friday, December 2. Please consider volunteering your time to help make this fun holiday event a success. It is great fun for the kids and adults, alike. As always, thank you for your support!

Please click the [signup genius link](#) to volunteer.

SPIRIT WEAR: Thank you so much to everyone that participated in our Tiny Saints fundraiser during the month of October - your support raised over \$100 for St. Jude School!

*****NEW STICKERS!***** St. Jude now has custom vinyl stickers available for purchase at <https://ourschool.support/homeandschoolstore>! Place these St. Jude logo and cougar stickers on water bottles or other items and show your SJS spirit! Your favorite SJS tattoos, face glitter, garden flags, car decals, and Saint Jude Tiny Saint charms are always available for purchase online as well.

St. Jude navy fleeces are available at Classic Image Uniforms located at 120 Staring Lane in Baton Rouge, (225) 929-8989. If you would like to order online, visit <https://www.classicimageuniforms.com>, click on "Group Sign In" at the top right of the webpage, then enter "cougars" as the code.

If you have any questions about spirit wear, please contact Emma Long at emma.m.long@gmail.com.

Athletics

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors & participants in the 2022 St. Jude Athletics Golf Classic, we were able to raise nearly \$26,000 for Cougar Athletics! These funds will be put to good use for athletics facilities upgrades, uniforms, & other athletic needs. A sincere thanks to all that were involved!

The 2023 Golf Classic will be held on Monday September 25, 2023 at Santa Maria. Save the date to join us for another great day of fun & fellowship supporting Cougar Athletics!

The last 5th/6th grade football game is this Sunday at 1:30 at the St. Jude Football Field.

The last 7th/8th grade football game is this Sunday at 3:00 at the St. Jude Football Field.

Come cheer on our Cougars as they close out their season!

FALL ATHLETIC PHOTO AND UNIFORMS: Team Sports Pictures for Fall Sports will be on Monday November 14th. All Fall Athletes with SJS Uniforms will return their cleaned uniforms in a bag labeled with his/her name after photos are completed that day. Sports include 3rd/4th Football, 5th/6th Football, 7th/8th Football, Swimming, Cross Country and Girls' Basketball 3rd-7th.

The cross country team competed in the St. Jean Vianney Invitational on Thursday, October 20th. The boys finished 2nd in our last meet and the girls placed 8th. Our teams are competing in the final meet of the season this Saturday morning at Highland Road Park. The boys and girls look to end strong in the Middle School Championship meet. Come out Saturday starting at 9 am to cheer our 8th graders on in their last meet of their middle school career. Our 8th graders are Leonie Hermann, Annie Walters, Catherine Walters, Braeden Gasser, Kade Hickman, Quinn Merchant and Phillip Wesley.

The 5th/6th Grade Football team tied STM/MBS 6-6 on Sunday.

The fifth grade girls basketball blue team finished their season Wednesday night with a 14-0 victory over St. Thomas More at home!

The 6th grade girls basketball team closed out their season with an exciting win against St. Thomas Moore at home last night!

The SJS swim team will finish their season this Friday at the Middle School Championship Meet at Crawfish Aquatics. Girls start at 3:30, boys start at 6:05!

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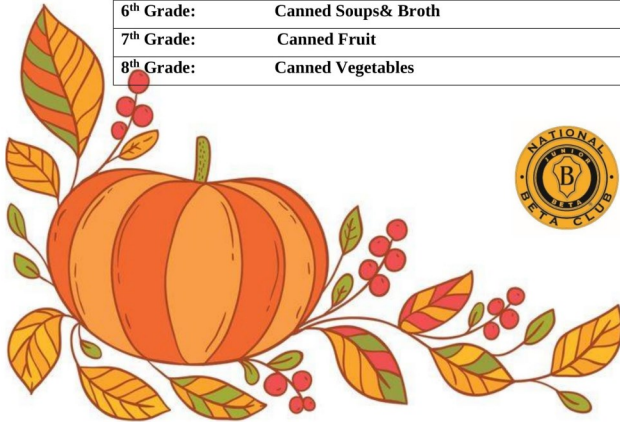
St. Jude BETA Thanksgiving Food Drive

Monday, Nov. 7th – Friday, Nov. 11th, 2022

As Thanksgiving approaches, we are reminded of the many blessings received through the goodness of our God. Once again, St. Jude BETA Club will sponsor a food drive to benefit the St. Jude Parish Food Pantry in conjunction with the St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you would like to participate, please see the chart below which lists requested food items by grade. If you have more than one child in school, you may choose to send one item from the list or one item for each child. Donations will be collected in your child's homeroom. At the conclusion of the food drive, the items will be brought to the St. Jude Food Pantry where the baskets will be assembled just in time for Thanksgiving.

Thank you for your support!

GRADE	FOOD ITEM
Pre-K:	Canned Beans & Canned Corn
Kindergarten:	Boxed Cereal (Breakfast), Oatmeal or Grits
1 st Grade:	Boxed Mixes (Hamburger Helper, Mac & Cheese)
2 nd Grade:	Canned Tuna, Chicken, & Spam
3 rd Grade:	Rice, Pasta
4 th Grade:	Beans (Canned or Dried)
5 th Grade:	Canned Tomato Products
6 th Grade:	Canned Soups & Broth
7 th Grade:	Canned Fruit
8 th Grade:	Canned Vegetables



IT'S TIME TO WATCH
ST. JUDE ON BROADWAY
GRANDPARENTS' DAY
NOVEMBER 18, 2022
8:45 AM
ST. JUDE ACTIVITY CENTER

SJS Alumni Mass & Family Picnic

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Alumni Mass at 9:30

Come out to see your friends & former teachers, tour the school & enjoy a picnic on the deck after Mass



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COUGAR HEROES PEP RALLY



TOMORROW
1:45 PM



SHOW YOUR
COUGAR HERO SPIRIT
WITH YOUR SJS SPIRIT
SHIRT OR TEAM JERSEY!

Important Dates

Friday, November 4th...Spirit Day and Pep Rally (1:45)

Tuesday, November 8th....No Bus Service

Friday, November 11th...Geaux Pink Fundraiser

Monday, November 14th...Fall Sports and Academic Club Pictures

Friday, November 18th...Grandparents' Day