

**May 2, 2024**

**May 3: No School: Oaks Day**

**May 7: Safe Environment Training 6:30pm St James Church**

**May 8: Annual International Mass 8:00 am** This special Mass will include readings in different languages from around the world.

**\*6th grade Country Presentations**

**May 10: Teacher extended lunch (volunteer if you can)**

**May 11: 8th Grade Smoked Pork Fundraiser at St. James Church (watch for more information coming soon!)**

*Teacher Appreciation Week May 6-10, 2024*

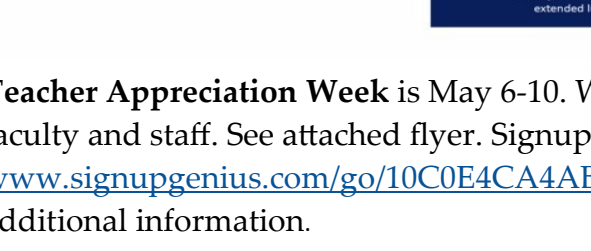
*Day 1: Thanks for helping us bloom*  
Students bring in a flower for teachers to make a one-of-a-kind bouquet.



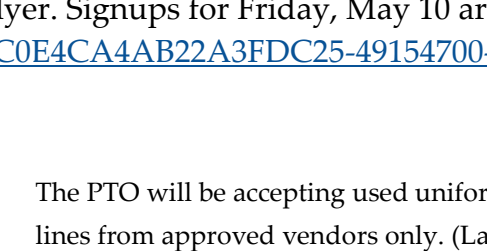
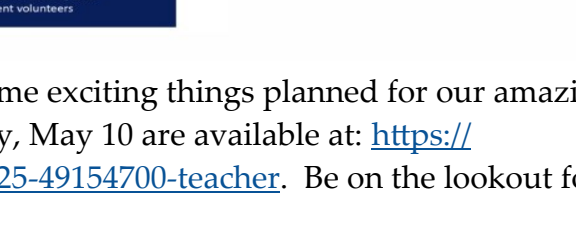
*Day 2: Our teachers take the cake!*



*Day 3: Thanks a latte!*  
Coffee truck provided for a mid-week pick-me-up.



*Day 4: Gratitude Day*  
Students/Families send in thank you notes, pictures, art, etc. to faculty and staff. See room parent email for details.



**Teacher Appreciation Week** is May 6-10. We have some exciting things planned for our amazing faculty and staff. See attached flyer. Signups for Friday, May 10 are available at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4CA4AB22A3FDC25-49154700-teacher>. Be on the lookout for additional information.

**USED UNIFORM SALE**

The PTO will be accepting used uniforms that are in the new uniform guidelines from approved vendors only. (Lands End, Choice, & St. Johns) We will also accept gym uniforms and spirit shirts. We will not accept class shirts, athletic, & concert type shirts. If you have uniforms that are not in standards please donate them elsewhere. You can drop off uniforms to the office for the remainder of the school year. We will set up some drop off dates over the summer. Please make sure the clothes you bring us are something you would send your child to school in. No stains, no holes, Clean etc.. If we receive enough uniforms we will have a uniform sale before school starts. Thank you!

<https://sjsonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/SJS-UniformGuide-2024-2025-1-1.pdf>

<https://sjsonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/SJS-Uniform-revised.5.31.23-scaled.jpg>

**SJS Summer Camps**

**SJS Summer Camps – Register Now! REMINDER!!!!**

The Summer Camps page is now available on our website. Take a look at what we have to offer and register online at <https://sjsonline.org/summercamps/>. \*Camps are open to SJS Students enrolled for the 2024-2025 school year.

VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!!!! Please see the graphics for more details!!!

Participant Registration: <https://www.stjames-etown.org/.../vacat.../vbs-registration/>

Volunteer Registration (7th grade and up): <https://www.stjames-etown.org/.../vbs-volunteer.../>

**VBS REGISTRATION OPEN!**

**WHEN? WHERE?**  
JUNE 17-21, 2024 | 8:30-11:30AM  
SAINT JAMES SCHOOL

**WHO?**  
OPEN TO FALL 2024  
KINDERGARTNERS-6TH GRADERS  
\*Preschool is only open to volunteers with preschool children (Must be potty-trained)

**HOW DO I REGISTER?**  
Use this QR code or Go to [stjames-etown.org/faith-formation/children-and-families/vacation-bible-school/](https://stjames-etown.org/faith-formation/children-and-families/vacation-bible-school/)

**PRICE?**  
ONE CHILD: \$40  
TWO CHILDREN: \$65  
THREE CHILDREN: \$80  
FOUR CHILDREN: \$90  
FIVE CHILDREN: \$100  
SIX CHILDREN: \$120

**CONTACT OLIVIA DVORJAK FOR QUESTIONS!**  
[ODVORJAK@STJAMES-ETOWN.ORG](mailto:ODVORJAK@STJAMES-ETOWN.ORG)

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**AREAS NEEDED**

- SMALL GROUPS
- BIBLE STORIES
- SNACKS
- CRAFTS

**Open to incoming 7th graders and up!**

**SIGN-UP TO BE A VOLUNTEER HERE** → or go to the church website!

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**END OF THE YEAR INFORMATION**

Save the date for these end of the year events.

May 16th : Pre-K Field Day

May 17th : K-8 Field Day

May 17th: Last Day of Pre-K

May 20th: Pre- K Graduation 9:00am

May 22nd: School Mass followed by presentation of Amy Alicna Award/ Teacher Recognition / 7th grade Knighting Ceremony for House System

May 23rd: 8:00am 4-8 Grade Awards / 9:00am 8th Grade Clap Out / 10:00 am K-3 Awards / 11:30am Dismissal/ 6:00pm Graduation and Reception

**VOLUNTEER @ SJS**

**Reminder:** Anyone who has contact with our students (coaches, chaperones, volunteers, room parents, etc.) needs to complete Safe Environment Training and have a background check. An initial live training is required followed by an online refresher every five years. Don't miss this opportunity to attend a session right here in E'town if you need this training! See information below!

**May 7th**  
**SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**St. James Church - Batcheldor Hall**

Do you plan to volunteer with children in our parish and school?

--- SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING AND A BACKGROUND CHECK ARE REQUIRED ---

No sign up required, however it is recommended that you show up a little early to complete background check paperwork.

Per Archdiocese policy, due to the sensitive nature of the topics covered in the training, children 16 and under, to include infants, WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.

You will receive a certificate of completion for church records after the training.

The Archdiocese requires Safe Environment Training and a Background Check every 5 years. After that time, an online refresher course can serve to renew the training and the background check form may be completed and sent to Laurie Bradford at [lbradford@stjames-etown.org](mailto:lbradford@stjames-etown.org), delivered in person to the parish office, or sent through the mail to St. James Catholic Church, ATTN: Safe Environment Coordinator, 307 West Dixie Avenue, Elizabethtown, KY 42701

The link to the online refresher course is: <https://louisville.cmgconnect.org/>

To receive the background check form, please download the attachment.

To check the dates of your last training or background check, please email [lbradford@stjames-etown.org](mailto:lbradford@stjames-etown.org).