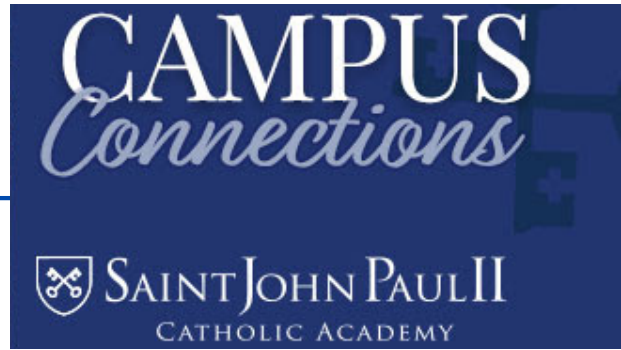


NOVEMBER 2020



Regional Newsletter

Dear Parents,

November is traditionally the month in the Catholic Church when we pray for deceased family members, loved ones, and friends. We continue to celebrate Mass and pray with our students during the time of remote learning. COVID has certainly reminded us of what really matters, our loved ones, community and our fellow man and woman. Our faith teaches us that we are called to love God and others above all else. During this month, we will remember your deceased loved ones as well as all souls as we daily pray with our students.

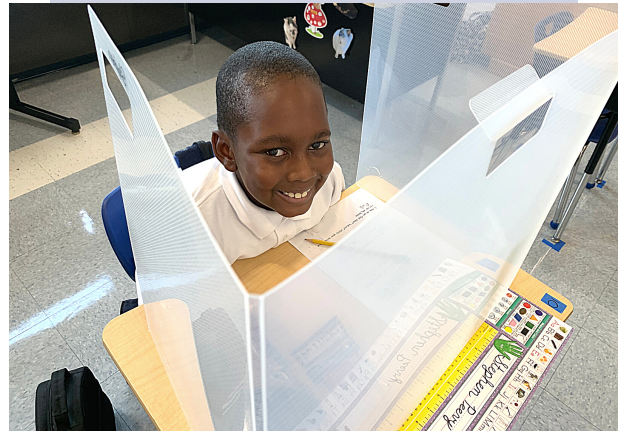
We are so grateful to our families for their support through this time. The information around COVID 19 and health and safety measures change daily. This has created many concerns and frustrations for all of us. As we navigate these times, we will continue to do our best to keep all our students and staff safe while providing a loving and safe learning environment. As we have shared before, if the positivity rates begin to decline, we will return to in person learning. We pray and hope that others in our community will take safety protocols seriously so that all businesses can remain open.

Our schools are planning activities during the week of November 8th to celebrate Discover Catholic Schools Week and all the is great about Catholic Education. Each day will have a theme and you will be informed of any activities in your principal's memo.

We have much to be proud of at the Academy. Even though 45% of our students were remote this September, we managed to complete our first round of MAP testing. Our teachers are reviewing the data to meet the needs of each student. These tests are used to instruct our teaching so parents should not worry that a student would fail at these tests. Helping a child to take this test prevents us from knowing what each student actually needs. If we still have students remote in January, we ask parents and family members to not help their child take the test. Our goal is to give your students the best education possible.

Also 100% of our students who go onto Catholic high schools go to college! Our high acceptance rate to the exam schools also speaks to our strong academics and teachers!!

SJPIICA is a great place to learn because our students are known and loved, called to excellence! Thank you for your continued support! During this time of Thanksgiving, I send my heartfelt thanks to your for choosing SJPIICA for your child's education. I wish you all a Thanksgiving filled with family, friends, and God's continued blessings and abundance.



We have loved welcoming our families from St. Patrick's School! This year, we accepted over 40 students from the beloved former St. Patrick's in Roxbury. Father John Currie, pastor of St. Patrick's, sent us a portrait of Jesus that hung in the school, pictured here with some of our students who attended St. Patrick's. He will be sending us more items from the school to hang in our buildings, to represent the St. Patrick's community that still lives on here at SJP.



Tuition payments:

Tuition payments are due during this period of remote learning. Our faculty and staff are working full time to provide at home learning to students during the COVID crisis. If you are struggling due to COVID and the burden of remote learning please reach out to the Business Office to discuss what options we may have available to assist you. At this time 50% of your total tuition is due. If you are behind in tuition payments, please contact the Business Office to make arrangements for the past due balance.

Vouchers:

If your voucher is updated or renewed by your ABCD facility, please make sure that you fax, or email a copy of it to the Business Office. If you would like to make an appointment with the Business Office, please call or email jwalker@sjp2ca.org to make your appointments.

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Artists of the Month



Olivia Pierre, Grade 1 - Lower Mills



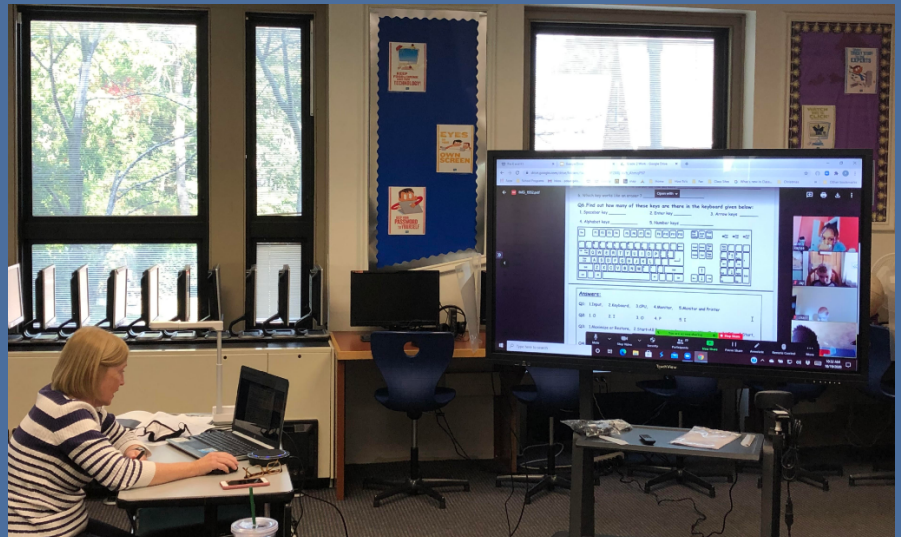
Kathlin Le, Grade 8 - Columbia



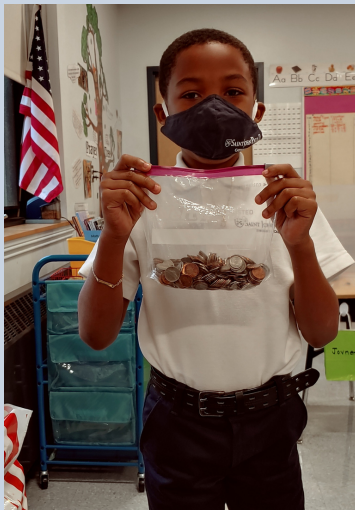
Bella Gomes, Grade 4 - Columbia

Neponset News

Thanks to our new classroom technology (HD web cameras, speaker systems, and 4K Touch screens) teachers like Mrs. Deangelo have been able to connect with students virtually and continue their studies with them in a fun and interactive way.



Lower Mills News

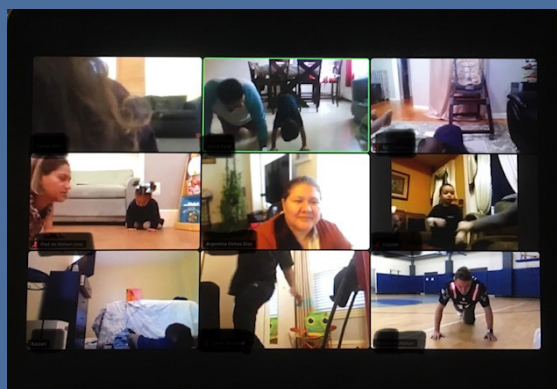


One of our Grade 2 students, Jovner Elmeus, was so inspired by the Mission Education Day of the Pontifical Mission Societies that he decided to do his own mission. He spent the next few days sacrificing for the missions and collected all this spare change, and presented his teacher with the gifts for

children in the mission. May he inspire all of us to perform acts of kindness for others!

Columbia News

PreK: We have reached the end of week two of remote learning, and the students have been doing very well. They are focused and engaged. This week the class read Whistle for Willie and Corduroy. Several of the stories we read mentioned pets, so one



day the children brought their favorite pet to class. The students

continue to talk about numbers 1-4 and we reviewed shapes. Next week the math curriculum will again focus on shapes and we'll make a shape monster. The class also participated in gym and music. It is wonderful to have so many parents participating with their children.