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Zoology students enjoyed a day of exploration at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo this week. Note the “Jaguar” in the middle front.

Science Students Explore Zoo

On Monday, 40 Zoology students spent the day learning about the daily habits of primates, how chiller weather seems to make lions roar more often and that starfish are fascinating creatures full of subtle locomotion and eating habits. Their observations came thanks to a field trip to the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, part of the overall curriculum exposing interested students to potential careers in zoology.

“Students were asked to observe members of the phylum primates in regard to locomotion, arm length, presence of a tail, status and behavior,” shared Science teacher Val Sanfilippo. “Students also spent time in the invertebrate area observing the organisms they have been studying in class, including starfish, which they dissected in class last week.”

"It brought to life everything we have been studying in zoology” shared Samantha Sweeney ’14.

'Dress Down Day' Benefited El Salvador Bakery Cooperative
Thursday wasn’t just a day to celebrate the community of Saint Joseph Academy through Pride Bowl and a bonfire. Students also showed their global compassion by raising $1,115 to assist a bakery cooperative run by a group of El Salvadoran women struggling to raise families and rise above poverty.

Students donated $1 and in return were able to "dress down." Some of the money will be used to buy a much-needed food grinder for the bakery, located in the small village of Armenia, El Salvador. The co-op was visited this past summer by three students and Assistant Principal Emily Hanson ’99 in a trip was arranged through International Partners in Mission, an organization that helps small businesses in second- and third-world countries.

"This is such an important cause,” shared senior Catherine Carey, who was a part of the trip with senior Shannon Stauffer and junior Emily Keller.

The bakery cooperative is called ACACCPAMU. More information on the bakery can be found here. Food made in the bakery helps the women feed their families on less than $1 a day.

"I am so proud of the students for taking the initiative to help the wonderful women we met during the trip to El Salvador,” shared Ms. Hanson.

**Pride Bowl, Bonfire Ignite SJA Pride**

Thursday’s weather was perfect for Pride Bowl, as students and faculty battled it out in the spirit of team-building fun. The annual show of Jaguar strength and SJA pride included games of friendly competition, food, camaraderie - and a denim theme making the event a “jardy” (jeans party).

Upperclasswomen routed the underclasswomen 32-0 in the first elimination round of flag football. The teachers followed suit by beating upperclasswomen 36-6. Parents then lit a bonfire and students, faculty, staff and families enjoyed a picnic dinner of hot dogs, chips and s’mores on the Howley Terrace, surrounded by the beautiful changing foliage of our gorgeous campus. For a pictures from Pride Bowl, click here to view the Facebook album.

**Teen Read Week Focuses on Theme of "Seek the Unknown"**

The Nazareth Library and SJA Book Club will celebrate Teen Read Week™ next week, October 13-19, with special events and programs aimed at encouraging teens to read for the fun of it. Thousands of libraries, schools and bookstores across the country will hold similar events centered on this year’s theme of "Seek the Unknown.”

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conference times are available from 1:30–3:30 p.m. Meetings are by appointment only. Questions? Please contact Dean of Women Marie Ciolek at mciolek@sja1890.org.

The all-school test day is being held on this date. For more information, please click here. Parents, special arrangements may have to be made for transportation.

**November 5**

The Fall Sports Banquet is at 6:30 p.m. at Brennan's Party Center on Triskett Road in Cleveland. RSVPs are due Tuesday, October 22. The form can be found here.

**Admissions Events:**

**October 17**

The SJA Basketball Team is hosting its annual "Father/daughter basketball night" for 5th-8th grade students. The clinic is $20 and all participants will receive an SJA basketball T-shirt. Click here for more information and to register.

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**SPOTLIGHT**

**Junior Shadowing Program Opened**

Door to Internship

**Who:** Sidney Rubensaal ’14

**What:** Last March, Sidney shadowed fashion and costume designers at Baldwin Wallace University's Kleist Center for Art & Drama as part of SJA's Junior Professional Shadowing Program. "After the three-day shadowing experience, the head of the shop, Ms. Charlotte Yetman, offered me an ongoing internship," shared Sidney.

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**Homecoming/Appreciation Mass Is This Sunday, October 13**

A Homecoming Mass for all alumnae, family and friends will be held at noon this Sunday, October 13. After Mass, visitors may enjoy an Open House and tours until 3 p.m. Please spread the word that all are welcome at this Mass. Fr. Lawrence Ober, S.J., a Saint Ignatius High School teacher and popular homilist, is our presider at Mass.

**This Week's Winners Announced; October 22 Is Last Jaguar Jackpot Deadline**

The following are winners from the latest Jaguar Jackpot raffle drawing:

- John O'Donnell sold by Kelsey O'Donnell - Ticket # 03246
- Jamieson Family sold by Kerry Jamieson - Ticket # 10884
- Shawn Harris sold by Mariela Harris - Ticket # 24230
- Lisa Cruz sold by Samara Allen - Ticket # 33699

Each winner will receive $500 and each student seller will receive $50. These payments will be made by the Finance Office next week. Congratulations to our sellers and winners!

To participate in the Grand Prize Jaguar Jackpot drawing on October 25, please make sure to bring your tickets and money by Tuesday, October 22, to the Finance Office in order to be included.

All tickets and money for the raffle should be returned to the Finance Office, Room 126, from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Make sure to wait for a receipt!

Questions? Call or email Mrs. Beverly LaPolla at 216.251.6788 x252 or blapolla@sja1890.org.

**October 27 Is Our Fall Open House**

Spread the news that Sunday, October 27, is the Saint Joseph Academy Fall Open House! The open house is being held from 1-4 p.m. and prospective Jaguars and their families will be treated to tours by current Saint Joseph Academy students.

Additionally, tourgoers will have the opportunity to attend an academic session led by Principal Jeff Sutliff. Members of the faculty, athletic coaches and administration will be available for questions.

In order to be matched up with a student tour guide with similar interests, we recommend that prospective students sign up in advance at www.sja1890.org/openhouse
Sidney. "I'm interested in fashion or costume design, so I was thrilled."

**Fun Facts:** Sidney recently helped opening night of the Baldwin Wallace production of Shakespeare's "Henry IV." She plans to apply to the Fashion Institute of Technology, the Pratt Institute and the Savannah College of Art & Design.

**SPORTS**

**Soccer**
Varsity lost 9-1 on Monday, September 30, against Rocky River High School. Senior Catherine Carey scored the only Varsity goal.
JV lost 3-0.
On Wednesday, October 2, JV won 6-0 against Padua High school.
On Saturday, October 5, Varsity won 6-3 against North Ridgeville at Saint Ignatius, where they also celebrated Senior Night, honoring Caroline Becker, Nicole Rave, Courtney Kuntz, Ali DeCrane, Mackenzie Dorin and Catherine Carey.
JV lost 0-2.

**Volleyball**
Varsity lost to Padua High School on October 2. That evening, seniors Greta Burry, Emily Lauch, Maureen Loftus, Emily Maxwell, Alison Rogozinski and Bethany Weisenseel, were honored.

**Golf**
On Tuesday, October 2, the team competed in the Sectional Tournament at The Legacy Golf Course in Avon Lake. Only the top four teams out of 16 would advance to the District Tournament in Massillon. Representing the Jaguar Golf Team were Kaitlin Rose '15, Lindsey Keefe '14, Alicia Abele '16, Lauren Zawie '17 and Emily Skodny '15. Although the team played hard on the tough back nine, the Jaguars finished in fifth place, four strokes out of the top qualifying positions.
Our Senior Scramble, which we named "The Keefe Classic," was held at Big Met on Thursday, October 3. The play was very close with a great score of two under par shot by the team of Alicia Abele '16, Emily Skodny '15, Hannah Hill '16 and Jenna Prahst '17.
Long drive was won by Kaitlin Rose '15, pin shots were won by Lindsey Keefe '14 and Alicia Abele '16, long putt won by Kristin Hetherick '17 and putting contest winner was Lauren Zawie '17. Our end-of-the-season event was highlighted with roses given to our seniors, Lindsey Keefe '14 and Nicole McManamon '14.

**Tennis**
Varsity competed at the Division I Oberlin Sectional Tennis Tournament on Wednesday, October 2. Leading the way for the Jaguars were Grace Powers '14 and the doubles team of Missy Waltos '14/Brooke Kahl '14, who advanced to the third round. After receiving a first round bye, Grace rallied from behind to defeat the No. 2 singles player from Midview 2-6, 6-3, 6-1 in the second round.
Missy/Brooke beat teams from North Ridgeville and North Olmsted in straight sets before falling to the No.4 seed from Avon 6-2, 4-6, 6-1 in the third round.
Allison Saracina '15 also picked up a singles victory with a 6-0, 6-0 win over an opponent from Valley Forge, before falling to the No.1 overall seed in the second round. Sidney Ruebensaal '14/Emily Rouse '14 played an excellent doubles match in the first round against Westlake's #1 doubles team, ultimately falling 3-6, 6-0, 7-6 (7-4) in a back and forth match.

**Cross Country**
The team finished second on October 5 at the Legends Invitational. This was the final meet of the season before the post-season begins.
Team Athlete of the Meet was Maggie Wagner '17. Maggie earned second place, just one second behind the overall winner, with a time of 19:17. That time makes her 6th fastest in school history and the fastest freshman ever! Senior Rachel McGuire made her own history by breaking the 20-minute barrier for the first time. She finished the 5K in 19:52, tying her for 19th fastest Jaguar ever.
The Jaguars next compete at Senior Night (and a JV meet) with Saint Ignatius, Mentor and Lakewood high schools on Wednesday, October 16, at South Mastick Park in the Rocky River Reservation. Three days later, Varsity will compete at the District Championship at Lakeland Community College in Kirtland.

**Fall Sports Banquet**
The Fall Sports Banquet is at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, at Brennan's Party Center on Triskett Road in Cleveland.. RSVPs are due on **Tuesday, October 22**. The form can be found [here](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs137/1111082143500/archive/1115192319479.html)