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Early dismissal, at 2 p.m.

February 1-5
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More information to follow.

February 2
Senior Parent Meeting, mandatory, 7-8 p.m.
in the auditorium.
Click here for more info.

February 10
Ash Wednesday. Mass at 1:30 p.m.

Mandatory Senior Parent Night Meeting on February 2
Parents of Seniors - there is a mandatory Senior Parent Night meeting on February 2 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. One parent or guardian is required to attend. Wine and cheese will be served as information is shared relevant to your daughter's last semester before graduation. That information includes: graduation dates and information; prom details; academic and financial information; advice on the transition from high school to college; and alumnae information.
February 5
Joe's Clothes Day. Email Dean of Women Marie Ciolek for details.

February 10
Ash Wednesday. Mass at 1:30 p.m.

February 11
Parent-Teacher conferences, 3:30-8 p.m. Email Dean of Women Marie Ciolek with questions.

February 12
No School. Teacher day.

February 15
Presidents' Day, no school. Office closed.

February 17
Early dismissal, 2 p.m.

STArts (Arts Boosters) meeting, 6:30 p.m., Dining Hall.

February 19
No School. Office open.

February 20
"Celebrate the Academy," 6 p.m., at SJA. Click here for more information.

February 23
Key Club blood drive. More information to follow.

February 24
Early Dismissal, 2 p.m.

February 26
Black History Month Prayer Service, 2 p.m.

February 27
Save the date:

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Speaker Inspires Students to Live Their 'Playlist' and 'Be Positive' In Life Pursuits

For many years, Andrea Vecchio's self-worth was wrapped within her job description as a TV host and producer on a popular morning show on Channel 3/WKYC. She traveled frequently to locales like Los Angeles, New York City, London and even Bora Bora, and was interviewing top stars such as Tom Hanks. Then, at age 37, her world started to crack.

For more information, click here.

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Theology, History Meet in Unique 'Facing History' Collaborative Class

This semester, in a unique collaboration of two departments, Social Studies and Theology students are joining in one classroom to discover how history and social justice are intricately intertwined. The collaboration, through a program called "Facing History and Ourselves," will allow students to view both subjects in a global context that takes into account human behavior, as well as historical facts.

For more information, click here.

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'Hoodies For Homeless' Serves 'Dear Neighbor'

As part of Catholic Schools Week, February 1-5, the Paw Prints Store is once again sponsoring a "Hoodies for the Homeless" collection drive. Bring in a gently worn hoodie (or two, or three, etc.) of any size and receive a coupon good for 20% off your purchase during the month of February.

The collected hoodies will be donated to "Dear Neighbor." For more information, click here.
**Father-Daughter Dance,**
Brennan's Party Center.

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**Spotlight**

Name: Anne-Marie Crawford '17

Accomplishment: Anne-Marie only learned how to ice skate two years ago, but since September, she has been coaching ice skating and speed skating to special needs children and teens. She is preparing them for the Special Olympics, being held in the Spring at Kent State University!

Fun Facts: "I coach speed skating and 'Learn to Skate' two hours each week at Winterhurst Skating Rink in Lakewood," shared Anne-Marie. "I love helping others develop a love of the sport. It's so rewarding and I can't wait until the Special Olympics!"

Anne-Marie first learned how to skate because of her love of another sport - hockey. "I love the Blue Jackets hockey team," she said.

In addition to enjoying the athleticism of skating, Anne-Marie has been a member of the West Side Catholic Center and the Labre Ministry at Saint Ignatius High School, which serves meals to the homeless on Cleveland's streets every Sunday night.

For more information, please click [here](#).

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**A Fun Night for Dads and Daughters!**

Celebrate that special bond between fathers and daughters on Saturday, February 27, at the annual Father/Daughter Dance. The dance - **for all grade levels**! - is at Brennan's Party Center, 13000 Triskett Road, from 6-11 p.m.

The evening includes dinner, dessert and beverages. Entertainment is being provided by a DJ and there will be a photo booth to preserve the night's memories.

RSVP forms will soon be available in the Main Office. Deadline to reserve a spot is Thursday, February 18.

Questions? Please contact Mothers' Club President Mary Zavoda P'17 at [Zavoda@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Zavoda@sbcglobal.net).

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**Join Us for 'Celebrate the Academy'**

Parents, we would love for you to come together with fellow members of the SJA community to "Celebrate the Academy!"

Please join us on Saturday, February 20 at SJA for the annual gala to benefit academic initiatives and scholarships.

Event chairs are Michael and Lisa Adkins Lonsway '84, P'18.

"Celebrate the Academy" begins with cocktails and the silent auction at 6 p.m. Dinner is at 7:30 p.m., followed by a live auction. For more information or to buy tickets, click [here](#).

How else can you help? Wine is needed for our popular wine pull! We are hoping to have at least 100 bottles of wine valued at $25 or more.

For more information on "Celebrate the Academy," or to coordinate donating a bottle of wine, please contact Carolyn Novak '06 at 216.251.6788 x224 or by [email](mailto:).

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**Parents, Can You Help Us Meet This Challenge Again?**

As SJA parents, we know that you realize how vital it is in today's...
the Jaguar Navy since her freshman year. Her goal is to row on The Ohio State University crew team.

"I want to study engineering at OSU and become a Materials Engineer," she said.

College Corner

Location:
Columbus, OH (2 hours from Cleveland) Large city.

Enrollment: 3,500 undergraduates.

Strongest Programs:
The arts, science, pre-law, law.

Fun Facts: The Computational Science minor (involving studies in math, computer science, physics, biology, chemistry and behavioral sciences) is the only comprehensive undergraduate program of its kind in the country.

www.capital.edu

We met this challenge last year, so we know that Saint Joseph Academy parents are an amazing group of people. We see the proof in your daughters each day. Currently, only 6 percent of our parents have stepped up. Please support the challenge today by clicking here.

Help the Garden Club Take a Step to End Thirst

Do you have a pair of shoes that you just don't want anymore? Donate them and you will be taking a step to help the 875 million people who live without access to safe water. The Garden Club is sponsoring a donation drive for shoes now through next Wednesday, January 27, for the organization WaterStep.

By donating your new and gently used shoes to WaterStep, students will help fund safe drinking water projects all over the world - projects that help to save hundreds of thousands of lives each year. In addition to funding water projects, donated shoes keep hundreds of tons of waste out of our landfills. Click here for more information regarding this organization.

"If you have 'gently' worn shoes of any kind, gender or size that you are willing to donate, please bring them in," shared Garden Club Moderator and Science teacher Jessica Camy. "Boxes are set up in the Arcade and in room 032."

SPORTS

Basketball

Varsity fell to Brunswick on Wednesday by a score of 48-38. Sophomore Colleen Neitzel led the Jaguars with 13 points and 22 rebounds. JV posted a 40-32 win against Brunswick, while the freshman also posted a win (42-20). Varsity heads to Kettering Alter tonight as they take on the two-time defending state champions.
Swimming
The Jaguars went 1-1 in dual meets this week, starting with a big win over Cuyahoga Heights 105-69. Freshman Julia Patterson had her best time in the 500-yard free. Sophomore Jadalis Pacheco also had a good meet, winning the 200m IM.

The Jaguars fell to Gilmour Academy on Thursday. Senior Kelly Shantery finished second in the 50m freestyle, while junior Rachel Strick finished 2nd in the 200m freestyle and 1st in the 100m freestyle.

The Jaguars will host the Jaguar Invitational tomorrow at Gilmour Academy at 4 p.m.