



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST | MARCH NEWSLETTER – 2021

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PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

- The [Pandemic Policies page](#) has guidelines for travel and a decision tool for signs or symptoms of illness.
- **Refresher** -- A child must stay home if the child has sore throat, headache, fatigue, runny nose, congestion, aches, chills, nausea, or fever. If the child has one sign, the child must be picked up from school.
- Please complete the [online parish-verification form](#) by Tuesday, March 9, for Catholic tuition assistance.
- It's **Women's History Month**. See our feature in the [Gold Folder](#) on 12 women pioneers.
- **All at once, shop and benefit SJB!** Go to Amazon Smile and select *St. John the Baptist School in Silver Spring* as your charitable organization, and a small piece of your purchase will benefit SJB.
- See the [Gold Folder](#) for pictures of our 4th grade pen pals who were featured on a national news network.



Chromebooks Distribution

This past week, SJB distributed Dell Chromebooks to students in grades 1-4 and redistributed some school laptops to students in grades 5-8. Information about the Chromebooks can be found on the [SJB Chromebook Info webpage](#).



Upcoming Calendar Dates

- Mon, March 8: [School Advisory Board](#), 6pm
 - Tuition plans sent to families
 - Finish parish verification forms
- Fri, March 12: No School
- Wed, March 17: Opt-in date for in-school learning
- Fri, March 19: No School
- Mon, March 22: No School



Next School Board Meeting: Monday, March 8, 2021. [Invitation link](#). If you have questions, please submit them at this [form](#).

SJB Pen Pals with Elderly Residents

SJB 4th graders were featured Tuesday night on the CBS Evening News, which was watched all over the United States. See [the CBS News feature](#).

The inspiring story focused on the 4th grade students' pen-pal relationships with elderly residents of Brooke Grove retirement village. The network news team came to the SJB courtyard to watch and talk with the students and Ms. Herritz, the 4th grade teacher, and Mrs. Jenkins, the writing teacher.



DIY Cookie Kits for Sale! Gourmet Easter themed Cookie Decorating Kits are now available to order. Each kit comes with sugar cookies, icing, and sprinkles to decorate your own cookies at home. Cookie Kits make great gifts and are a welcomed addition to any Easter celebration! To order, [click here](#).

- \$15.00 - 1/2 dozen gourmet cookies (comes with 3 royal icing colors and sprinkles)
- \$25.00 - 1 dozen gourmet cookies (comes with 4 royal icing colors and sprinkles)



Mabel's Labels Fundraiser: Need personalized labels for your kids? See the flyer for Mabel's Labels (<http://campaigns.mabelslabels.com>) Add your school –St. John the Baptist Silver Spring –and 20 percent of proceeds will go to school needs. Questions? Contact info@mabelslabels.com.



As Lent continues and many friends and neighbors struggle, the 8th grade is collecting items for the SJB food pantry. Please consider searching your stores for sales and asking your friends for help! Donations to school this week will be delivered on Saturday.

Items Needed: Diapers of all sizes, Rice, Beans, Cereal, Canned Goods, Peanut Butter
Please contact Jennifer Hazleton with questions at jenniferhazleton@aol.com

Did You Know? That SJB purchased GoGuardian to help teachers monitor students on the Chromebooks? You can also monitor your child's activity by downloading the GoGuardian Parent app in the Google Play and Apple App stores. For information on GoGuardian, click [here](#).

Ideas, thoughts, feedback about communications?

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