

News You Can Use from the Principal



March 20, 2018

Today I celebrate one calendar year as the principal at St. Joe. Father Jason said a blessing for me at mass yesterday, and Blaine Turner, Student Body President, presented me with flowers. I was surprised and touched by the remembrance. I am grateful to be part of this school family and humbled by the responsibility. We are a great school only getting greater!

- Wednesday (tomorrow) is early release day at 2. Wednesday will also be an open house day for any families interested in touring. Invite them to take a *Bruin Break* and tour St. Joe, 9 am – 1 pm. Email Tricia Harris, tharris@stjoebruins.com, for more information.
- Mass next week is Wednesday to observe Holy Week. Dress uniform is required.
- Mark your calendars: **BruinThon** is April 20, 4 pm til midnight! Donations of money and time are still being accepted. Students who volunteer earn 8 service hours for that event. Email Ms. Sckiets for more details: ksckiets@stjoebruins.com.
- A reminder that MacBooks are a benefit of being a St. Joe student. They should be utilized for educational purposes. Accidents happen. Unfortunately, some are being careless with their computers resulting in unnecessary damage. Please remind them to keep them safe and away from liquids of any kind. It's a \$650 fix to repair a liquid issue. Covers should be on at all times.
- Paper copies of choice selections and graduation requirements were sent home Friday before Spring Break. Choices will be made through electronic submission in student portals soon. Directions will be emailed home soon. The counselors have begun meeting with students to explain the process and insure they're on track for graduation. It is not necessary to wait for the counselors to meet with students before selections are entered. Mrs. Carrington or Mrs. Piazza can change the schedule choices if necessary.
- Please follow the directions of the teachers working at carpool in the afternoons. They're there to help maintain safety for everyone. If time constraints prevent you from staying in line, coming early to be at the front of the line or coming at 3:20 will be better options. Please be kind.
- I spoke to the students after Mass yesterday to remind them that the St. Joe shield, logo, etc. (including the logos on clothing) may not be used on internet accounts that the school didn't set up. Always cast the school in good light especially if you're wearing our fabulous St. Joe swag.
- St. Joe will be out Good Friday, March 30 and Easter Monday, April 2. Classes will resume Tuesday, April 3, 2018.
- Dates to remember: *Bye Bye Birdie* – April 5-7; Baccalaureate Mass – May 22; Graduation – May 23

God bless,
Mrs. Kinsey

BRUIN SHOUT OUTS

- William Turner won the St. Patrick's Day 5K in his age group.
- Natalia Igwebuike placed 5th in the State Spelling Bee out of 47 competitors.
- Linda Martinez took home 1st place in two categories of the Sons of the American Revolution. She's headed to the National Competition. Go Linda!