

# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade News

5/8/2026

This week the students and I started the Theology of the Body curriculum. The unit pulls together many topics related to pre-teen morality. The students will have a smaller book that will assist us with our lessons on the topic. Please ask them to bring this home so you can explore the topics together. They will need to bring it to school daily from now until the end of the school year.

Shorts may now be worn to school! Please make sure you read the school guidelines regarding the appropriate length and fabric that constitutes uniform shorts. Shorts MAY NOT be worn on Wednesdays.

We will be administering the final round of STAR testing next week. Your child's Zone of Proximal Development (suggested reading level) will be sent home in a future Thursday Folder. We will be sending home the results of the actual testing with the final trimester report cards in June. These tests are used throughout the year to look for areas of opportunity (where extra review is needed) and growth.

The year is winding down fast, but the students still have many skills to continue learning in all of their classes. Please encourage your child to put forth 100% effort throughout the day until the school year comes to an end. At this point in the school year, the students should know all classroom expectations regarding their assignments and behavior. Some students seem, at times, to have forgotten these expectations. Please encourage your child to finish the year out strong with positive behavior and academic choices.

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are working toward achieving their AR goals for the year! May is almost halfway over. Our class won the reading trophy in March but fell short again in April. Some of our regular readers are beginning to fall short on these reading goals. Please encourage your child to be a team player and help our class regain the title and trophy for this month. **Reading 20 minutes every night is an expectation** we have for the students. We also provide independent reading time in literacy class and weekly study halls. Please encourage your student to help us reach our class goals for the month.

**Garden Coordinator Needed!** Our school garden has been a wonderful space for hands-on learning, stewardship, and community building, and we are looking for a volunteer to serve as our school garden coordinator. This role would include helping organize seasonal planting and harvesting, coordinating maintenance schedules, and working with teachers and students to keep the garden thriving. Whether you have a green thumb or simply a love for helping children learn and grow, your time and talents would make a meaningful difference. If you are interested in serving in this role or would like more information, please contact the school office 414-321-8540. Thank you for helping us continue to cultivate both our garden and our community!

Remember that Thursday Office folders and Friday Folders should come back to school on or before Monday. Make sure you are removing all papers before returning the folders to school. The **students** should be setting a weekly goal for themselves (with your assistance). A parent signature is also required.

PLEASE remember to check your child's Honor Card regularly. It is stapled inside the front cover of their assignment notebook, which should come home every afternoon. It is important for your child to hear your comments and expectations before you receive an e-mail from school because their green Honor Card is filling up. Sadly, we already had a few students who have needed to move to their yellow card.

Physical Education class will be held on Mondays and Tuesdays. Please make sure your child brings a change of clothes for class that are modest and appropriate for the type of movement he/she will be required to do during class. These clothes should come home daily/weekly to be washed. Deodorant is recommended.

I am blessed to have you on our team as we work together to sculpt the faith and knowledge of our sixth-grade students. Please contact me with any questions or concerns at [wdunning@sjc.school](mailto:wdunning@sjc.school).

Ms. Dunning

\*\*\*\*\* UPCOMING DATES \*\*\*\*\*

- \*\*\*\*\* Saturday, May 9, 2026 – Family Art Day – 1:00 – 3:00 pm \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Sunday, May 10, 2026 – Cousins Subs Fundraiser Day – 11:00 am – 2:00 pm \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Wednesday, May 13, 2026 – Sixth Grade leads All School Mass – 10:00 – 11:00 am \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Friday, May 15, 2026 – May Crowning – 1:15 pm - Church \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Monday, May 18, 2026 – Wellness Warriors Spring Games Event – 2:45 – 3:45 pm \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Monday, May 18, 2026 – Out-of-Uniform Day \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Tuesday, May 19, 2026 – May Birthdays Out-of-Uniform Day \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Tuesday, May 19, 2026 – Athletics Banquet – 6:00 – 8:00 pm \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Thursday, May 22, 2026 – Gallery Night, Book Fair, & Ice Cream – 5:30 – 7:00 pm \*\*\*\*\*
- \*\*\*\*\* Monday, June 1, 2026 – Awards Day – Time TBD \*\*\*\*\*