

Cougar Connection

2025-2026

Make A Joyful Noise

September 5



Some of our 4th Graders show off atom models made during science class.

From the Principal's Desk

Happy Friday, Cougars!

It was a great week here at St. John's!

Our volleyball teams and soccer team had their first games, and many of them walked off the field (or court) with a victory! Way to go, Cougars! Their schedules are posted on our website, and I try to put upcoming games in this newsletter, because we love to see our Cougar family supporting each other. Next week we will have our first cross country meet, so we wish our runners the best of luck!

Kindergarten parents- please check out the note about the upcoming Art Club on the next page of the newsletter. There is limited availability, so if your child loves to create, sign them up soon!

Next week is a PTL meeting- we'd love to see you online with us! Check out the Zoom link in the PTL section. Also, an email went home about picture retakes being on Wednesday the 17th, so please make a note in your calendars.

Have a great weekend!

Looking Ahead...

Sept. 9- PTL Meeting

Sept. 12- Ice Cream Truck Forms due

Sept. 15- Making the Most of Your Choice (see '2nd' page)

Sept. 17- Picture Retake Day

Sept. 18- Dine Out Night @ Noodles & Co.

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!" Psalm 98:4

In Chapel This Week...

This year, our chapel messages will use our school theme- Make a Joyful Noise- and focus on some of the hymns we sing in church. Please join us next Wednesday at 9 am to hear about the hymn "Chief of Sinners Though I Be."



The 8th Grade Winners of the annual "Chopped" Art Challenge.

Athletics

Upcoming games:

Volleyball- Mon, Sept. 8 @ KLA

Fri, Sept. 12- RLHS Tourn. (5/6)

Sat., Sept. 13- RLHS Tourn. (7/8)

Soccer- Tues., Sept. 9 @ Anderson Park Ken.

Cross Country- Fri., Sept. 12 @ Cliffside Park

Crusader Corner

Upcoming Grade School Fan Nights:

Girls Varsity Volleyball – Tues., Sept. 16, 6:30 pm

Varsity Football – Thurs. Oct 2, 7 pm (Horlick Field)

8th grade parents- mark your calendars for the first open house on October 13th from 5:00-7:00 pm.

Rockstars of the Week

This year, we will be recognizing students who stand out for their acts of kindness and/or service toward others, who are helping to "Make a Joyful Noise" in God's glory here at St. John's.

Our Rockstars of this week were the following students: Emma Benik, 4K; Regan Scheck, 2nd Grade; Tyler Yohn, 3rd Grade; Abigail Vara, 8th Grade

Parent-Teacher League (PTL)

IPTL is still looking for a coordinator for the Mom-Son event. If interested, please contact Amanda Kotowski (

Please join us for the **next PTL meeting on September 9th at 7 pm**. You can join at this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89255405900?pwd=pZaug9kZNWSvinb1QgsUYfymurl2i6.1>

Art Club: Kindergarten

An Art Club will be offered to Kindergarteners on Tuesdays. The Art Club will be held in the 5th grade classroom from the end of the school day until 4:30. The dates are Tuesday, September 16, Tuesday, September 23, September 30, and Tuesday, October 7. There is no fee to join. Please contact Ms. Hoffmann by Friday, September 12th at thoffmann@stjohnsracine.org to sign up as space is limited.

From Our Pastors

Making the Most of Your Choice - Would you like to know more about our Christian faith and how it is taught in our school? Join us on Monday, September 15 in the cafeteria from 6:00-7:00 pm. If you're new to St. John's or have been part of our school for years, this is a time to ask questions and discuss the driving force behind the school you chose for your children to attend! This event is open to all St. John's parents and their children.

For a quick summary, watch this video: [https://youtu.be/Sac3XN68Zvk?](https://youtu.be/Sac3XN68Zvk?si=iwZiZVqllQSeLLig)

and if you'd like to attend, please register here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4ACA62EA3FB6-57886786-stjohns>



We'd love to have you join us for worship! Our services right now are at 6 pm on Wednesdays and 9 am on Sundays. This will switch after Labor Day- watch for updates!