

Tiger Tracks



San Jose Christian School | August 27, 2018

Attendance Line (408) 371-4815

This Week at SJCS

Mon 8/27
SJCS Board of Trustees Meeting |
6:30pm | SJCS Media Lounge

Thurs 8/30
Happy Birthday Mr. Hucks!

Moms in Prayer
8:30am | Room 16

5th Grade Band Meeting
3:15pm

Fri 8/31
Happy Birthday Mrs. Bost!

CPTA Kick Off & Room Parent
Meeting | 8:35am | Auditorium

Elementary Chapel
2:05pm | SJCS Auditorium
Please join us!

Sun 9/2
Happy Birthday Mrs. Baham!

Mon 9/3
School Holiday | No Classes |
Campus Closed

It's in the Why!

by: Mr. Hucks

First of all, I want to say that God is amazing in how he knits the hearts of those in community. Almost two months ago I began as the new Head Of School for what will be the 59th year of San Jose Christian School. I can only image as I think of the school starting in 1959, the amount of changes that the San Jose area has seen moving from the once agricultural community to the heart of technology. What has been the same, is why SJCS exists. The founders of our school felt a sense of responsibility to God, to engage in a sacred agreement or covenant with Him. These beginning parents wanted to "train up their children in the way they should go" (Prov. 22:6), engaging in spiritual formation together.

That responsibility is still alive and felt on this campus today. During our faculty and staff orientation, we were all asked WHY? Why do we do what we do, here at SJCS. I would like to share just a few of the responses.

"We teach at SJCS not just because we get paid to do it but because God has called us to further His kingdom here."

"I want to model empathy (in class) not because the world says to do it, but because God shows me empathy."

"I read a Bible with my students not just because I have to read a book but because I want them to know about Jesus's love."

"I use technology in the classroom not because we're keeping up in the Silicon Valley, but because it increases my students' ability to engage and transform culture for Jesus Christ."

"I serve preschool students not just because it's my job but because I think we provide them with a solid foundation and love of learning."

"I admit my failures/talk about my mistakes with students not just because it's a story to tell, but because I want to model vulnerability."

We still view our partnership with our families a sacred trust to help give our children a Love for God, a Desire to Learn, and a Commitment to Serve.

Attendance Hotline

If your student is not coming to school, please call (408) 371-4815 before 9am to report the absence.

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Moms In Prayer

SJCS Moms in Prayer, a volunteer school ministry, would like to extend a warm welcome and invitation to you as we enter the 2018–2019 school year. Moms in Prayer International is a worldwide ministry devoted to covering every child and every school in prayer (momsinprayer.org). YOU ARE INVITED – Please consider joining us this year. We meet Thursday mornings, 8:30am–9:30am in room 16 – Our first meeting is Thursday, August 30th.

We also invite every family at SJCS to send us your prayer requests. All prayer requests will be kept confidential. Please send any requests or questions to: sjcsmip@gmail.com.

We believe that through prayer God releases His power on behalf of our children and schools. Our faith is in God who hears and answers our prayers. (MIP Core Value) We look forward to seeing you!

Middle School Sports Season Starts This Week

The Fall sports season is underway at SJCS. That means it's time for boys' and girls' XCountry, girls' softball and boys' flag football. The coaches are eager to get started with another great season of Tiger sports. Parents, please remember to complete all the required forms for your athletes and look for the **Sports this Week** section of the Tiger Tracks for specific team details.

Tiger Tracks Going Digital

The Tiger Tracks will go home today in digital format. If you would like to [to receive a printed copy, please complete this form](#). As a reminder the Tiger Tracks is published every other week. We occasionally will send a "Between the Tracks" communication when warranted. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Order Scrip. Save Money.

School is back in session, so it's time to order Scrip! This simple program allows families to raise funds for SJCS and their own tuition while making everyday purchases. Own your own business? Get your supplies with Scrip and earn even more! [Ordering information](#) is available on our website, and the first order is due by Thursday, August 30. Check out the [revenue sharing policy](#) for more information, and start buying Scrip today! If you have questions please contact Mrs. Hendricks or Mrs. Phillips in the school office at (408) 371-7741 ext. 231.

What is a Room Parent?

If you are interested in helping your student's class this year, a great way to do that is by being a room parent. Room parents can help coordinate schedules and communication amongst the families in a particular class, set up volunteer opportunities, and support teachers. Classes can have solo room parents, but this is a great job for a team as well. All classes PS – 8 need a room parent.

An informational meeting about room parenting will follow the Kick Off CPTA Meeting scheduled for this Friday, 8/31 at 8:35am in the auditorium.

Traffic News

Please be respectful to our neighbors. The maximum speed limit in the neighborhood is 25mph. The on campus speed limit is 7MPH.:

- a) refrain from parking in front of any portion of their driveway
- b) refrain from using their driveways for turn arounds
- c) adhere to the 25mph in the neighborhood
- d) stop at all stop signs

Finally, remember that there are only right turns as you enter campus. NO U-Turns. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe.

Boys Flag Football: Parent Meeting on Thursday after practice.

Monday–Thursday: Practice 3:15pm–4:45pm

Girls Softball: Parent Meeting on 9/6 at 4:30pm

Tuesday–Thursday: Practice 3:15pm – 4:45pm

Cross Country: Parent Meeting on 9/4 at 4:30pm

Monday: Practice 3:15pm–4:30pm

Tuesday: Practice 3:15pm–4:30pm

Thursday: Practice 3:15pm–4:30pm

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SJCS Annual Walk-a-Thon

Our 15th annual Walk-a-Thon (WAT) will take place October 6th this year. The WAT is an amazing SJCS tradition for the entire community! If you are interested in learning how you can be a part of this wonderful event, the SJCS WAT committee will be meeting Tuesday, September 5th at 8:30am in the school auditorium. This is a great opportunity to learn about the WAT and check out the various volunteer opportunities that help make it a success. For questions contact Melissa Findley, WAT Chair at Melissa@bodl.com.

What: Annual Walk-a-Thon

When: Saturday, 10/6 (9am – 2pm)

Where: SJCS Middle School Field

CPTA Kick Off Meeting

CPTA Kick Off Meeting for all parents is scheduled for Friday, August 31st at 8:35am in the SJCS Auditorium – everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Topics for the meeting will include:

What is the CPTA and Why should I attend?

Upcoming Events

New Family Assimilation

Volunteer Opportunities

For more information contact Nicole Agustin, CPTA President cpta@sjchristian.org. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Welcome Back Preschool Families!

We have some new faces in the Preschool that we would love for you to meet! **Ms. Lee** is the new Dragonfly teacher, **Ms. Erica** is the new lead teacher in the ICC, and **Ms. Allie Silkwood** is our new floater teacher. Please feel free to introduce yourselves to them; they would love to meet you!

This is just a friendly reminder to sign in and out daily for Kinderlime. Please email me if you need your code or need to add additional family members or friends to your pick up list.

Music class will start next week! We are excited to explore rhythm and movement this year! If you are a musician and would ever like to come play for the Preschool or Junior Kindergarten students, we would love to have you join us!

Preschool will hold the first chapel of the year on **Friday, September 7th**. We will learn about the Creation story.

Box Tops for Education



Box Tops for Education is a great fundraiser at SJCS. We are excited to announce that the class of 2022 was the big winner last year. They will be celebrating next week with a classroom party.

Let's start this year off strong! To participate, families and friends of SJCS clip Box Tops from purchases that have

the Box Tops logo (see samples) and give them to SJCS. Each Box Top is worth a minimum of 10¢. Last year, SJCS earned over \$350 with the Box Tops program. We are setting a goal of \$1000 this year. Over the course of the 2018–2019 school year, we will hold a class competition where the class that submits the most Box Tops will win a classroom party at the end of the year. You are welcome to submit your Box Tops directly to your teacher or you may drop them off in the office, noting your class/grade. For more information visit

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/>

SJCS Lingo

New or returning, being part of the SJCS community requires an understanding of a variety of terms, expressions, and acronyms. We are going to use the Tiger Tracks to share some of these items.

LOVE & LOGIC

Love and Logic provides parents and teachers with practical, proven tools for raising respectful, responsible, and happy kids! Through this program, parents and teachers learn techniques that:

- Are simple and easy to learn.
- Teach responsibility and character.
- Lower your stress level.
- Have immediate and positive effects.

Love and Logic resources are housed in the SJCS library and can be checked out by SJCS staff and community. More information can be found at www.loveandlogic.com.

CSI (Christian Schools International)

This is one of our accreditation organizations. Their mission is to advance Christian education, to support schools in their task of teaching students to know God and his world, and to glorify him through obedient service. They offer professional development and various curriculum resources to teachers. They hold accredited schools to standards of excellence in all areas of academics and faith integration. Visit <http://www.csionline.org/mobile-home> for more information.

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Quarter 1 Clubs are Coming!

Keep an eye open for the after school clubs packet that will be sent home this week with your child/ren. Clubs are available to Preschool (4's) – 5th grade. Club choices this quarter are:

Gymnastics (Preschool 4yrs – K, 1st–3rd)
Hip Hop Dance (Preschool 4yrs – 2nd)
Self Defense (1st – 3rd)
Dodgeball (3rd–5th)
Minecraft (K–3rd)
Robotics (2nd – 4th)
Chess (K–5th)
Tennis (K–2nd)
Mad Science (K–5th)

Shopping for Tiger Logo-wear

The CPTA will be selling logo-wear over the next month on Fridays. The team will be in front of the office on the following mornings:

Friday, August 31

Friday, September 7

Logo-wear will also be available at the Walk-A-Thon, Saturday, October 6.

Summer Reading Club is Coming to a Close September 1st!

Adios, summer! With the end of August, so ends the SJCS Summer Reading Club(SRC)! Families should submit their score cards on or before 9/1/18 by filling out their score cards with their family name, dates, titles, pages read and then total pages read.

For those using the [online score card](#), 1) Please press enter after your final page number entry so that the form will calculate your total for you. 2) Please click on the blue “Share” button on the top right corner and share with Mrs. Nesdahl: nesdahl@sjchristian.org.

For those using the [printable score card](#), 1) Please complete your entries, calculate your total pages read and note it on the form. 2) Printed score cards can be turned into the grade level, MS language arts teachers or to Mrs. Nesdahl in the library.

5th Grade Band Meeting

All 5th Grade students interested to play in concert band this year should attend the mandatory band meeting with at least one parent – Thursday, August 30, from 3:15pm – 4:15pm. Please meet in the SJCS Band Room (room 18).