

**St. James Parent Association Meeting**  
**February 6, 2020**

**Opening Prayer: Mr. Lynch**

**Welcome/Introduction: Jennifer Lee (President)**

Thank you all for taking the time to attend our meeting this evening. This is your opportunity to voice feedback/suggestions regarding our school. We appreciate your efforts to be involved at Saint James. You can reach out to the PA at any time via email: [sjpa@sjsst.org](mailto:sjpa@sjsst.org)

Facebook: St James School Parent Association

**President's Report: Jennifer Lee (President)**

**Box Tops Announcement:**

Do not forget to scan the App onto your phone and start scanning your receipts. Also remember that for now, you can “double dip” by collecting the physical box top AND scanning your receipt. In addition, if you look on the App, it will tell you of any bonuses available. A VERY easy way to get free money for our school.

**Reusable Bags: FOR SALE NOW!**

Multitask by saving the environment AND advertising our school! \$3 each or two for \$5

**Recent Events: We want to say thank you to everyone that has been involved in recent school events that continue to make Saint James School stand out.**

Pancakes with Santa

Open House Event - 37 new families visited and 5 new students enrolled for next year.

Scholastic Book Fair

Catholic Schools Week - was a success

Movie Night - Aladdin

We truly appreciate the time and effort of all of you who work so hard to make these events happen. We also appreciate all of those who take the time to show up and support to the school at these events. We are blessed to have each other and be a part of a school community that comes together to support our children!

**Acknowledgements: Thank you to Kathleen Kristian, our SJPA Grants Coordinator for all of the hard work she has done on getting corporate grants and donations to benefit the school and students. She obtained 20 donated tickets to be use in raffles or auction from Walt Disney World.**

**Thank you to the Teachers**

For all you do.

Black History Month Upcoming Events:

Talia Lazaro Simpson discussed that Stratford Library will loan St. James their black history collection and students will do a Drop and Read Day.

February 28th will be Black History Trivia Night at school.

**Vice President's Report--UPCOMING EVENTS: (Jaime Bereski/Nurie Easter/Marylyn Miranda)**

Upcoming Events:

- **Purse Bingo, Saturday 2/8/20 sold out in one week**
- **Movie Night, Hidden Figures Friday 2/7/20**
- **Whisky Barrel Restaurant Night, Thursday 2/20/20 from 3 pm-9 pm School will get 15% in proceeds**
- **SJS Father/Daughter Dance – February 22**
- **Annual SJS Auction – April 25 at Knapp's Landing**
- **Mother's Day Plant Sale – date TBA**
- **Grandparents' Day – date TBA looking for a committee**

**Treasurer's Report: (Tracey Irby)**

Financials (YTD) – A handout was provided.

**Principal's Report: (Mr. Lynch)**

Q&A

- Mr. Lynch is looking for parent volunteers to March for St. Patrick's Day parade.
- Mr. Lynch asked parents to arrive by 7:45am for prayer, doors will be closing at 7:50am.
- Fire alarm was pulled due to smoke in the gym from one of the speakers.
- Parents need to be more cautious driving, when dropping and picking up their children. We need more safe driving please!
- We have 180 students enrolled for 2020-2021; we would like to reach our goal of 250 students. Classes are now open to shadow.

**Secretary's Report: (Heidi Prenty / Yeimmy Rana)**

- **If you haven't already, join the St. James Parent Association Facebook group where we share day to day school information with current parents and families...NOTE! Any information shared on this page is not open to the public; you must request to be a part of this closed group.**
- **Our next Parent Association meeting is scheduled for May 2020 (date TBD)**

Father Peter:

- Father Peter expressed that Sunday March 1st at 11am in his installation and all are invited to the mass the celebrate him with a reception following at St. James School, signup for reception is at the parish center or church.
- Father Peter is looking for boys and girls to become altar servers. Please reach out to Mrs. Kyburz if interested.

## **Closing Prayer: Father Peter**