



Welcome Back!

The theme for this year is
*Catholic Schools:
A+ for America.*

This year we will focus on the importance Jesus Christ and His great love for us in our service and commitment to others. As Catholic educators, we strive to show our service to Jesus Christ in all that we do in and out of the classroom. For over 100 years Sacred Heart of Jesus School has been providing quality Catholic education to the children of New York City placing a strong emphasis on the teachings of Christ.



This year we will continue to foster an atmosphere for academic excellence and spiritual growth. The emphasis on excellence in education, sound moral values, and strong faith in God witness to the fact that our school is a cooperative venture of parents, students, teachers and clergy in a faith-filled community.

With the start of this new school year, let us ask God's blessing on our efforts to live the message of the Good News of Jesus Christ as it is in the Gospel and to bring that message to the lives of the children. We ask God to give blessings to all our new families and the students as they begin a new journey at SHJS.

Please continue to enjoy the last few days of summer. Keep Christ in your heart and remember, He is the Master Teacher.

Meet our new Assistant Principal, Sister Helene Cooke, IHM

We welcome Sister Helene Cooke, IHM as the Assistant Principal of Sacred Heart of Jesus School. She is a member of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) based in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Sister comes to us with much experience in both teaching and school leadership which spans the past three decades in the Archdioceses of Philadelphia and New York.

Sister Helene's position is made possible through funding from The Curran Principal Academy. The Curran Principal Academy was established in 2008 to prepare excellent classroom teachers to transition to inner-city elementary school administration. The TCPA offers aspiring principals the opportunity to be mentored by an experienced principal by a developing the key qualities to qualify for placement as principals of Catholic elementary schools.



We look forward to working with Sister Helene and welcome her to the Sacred Heart of Jesus School Community.

Noelle Beale
Principal

Sister Helene Cooke
Assistant Principal

Faculty

Gina Policastro
Pre-Kindergarten 3

Cathy Santora
Pre-Kindergarten 4

Christina Pavone
Kindergarten

Delphine Rodriguez
Grade 1

Martha Romero
Grade 2

Jeanette Velez-Soto
Grade 3

Natalia DeVilla
Grade 4

Vera Waring
Grade 5

Science Departmental

Patricia Vamvoukakis
Grade 6
Religion Departmental

Delia Ramaraju
Grade 7
Math Departmental

Gil Soto
Grade 8
Social Studies Departmental

Immunizations & Physicals

Students entering Kindergarten should have their second MMR and students entering Grade 6 should have their Tdap. All students must have a current physical on file in the school. Please have your pediatrician complete the Department of Health form distributed with the final report card and return it to school in September. Remember, the Department of Health requires these physicals and immunization and a student will be suspended from classes in September if documentation is not complete. If you should need an additional Department of Health medical form please call the school office.



Summer Assignments

Just a reminder that students are expected to complete all summer assignments. Summer assignments are designed to assist students in maintaining their skills during the time away from the academic setting. During the months of July and August, students should work daily on these assignments, therefore, not causing a great deal of panic on Labor Day weekend.

All summer work will be collected on Friday, September 17, 2010. All summer reading assignments will be graded and calculated into the Reading and English Language Arts grades for the first marking period. Summer reading assignments that are not completed will receive a grade of zero. Late assignments will be reduced by 5 points each day, and no assignments will be accepted after Thursday, September 23rd.



2010-2011 SHJS Calendar is on shjsnyc.org



The complete 2010-2011 school calendar is available on www.shjsnyc.org

All families will receive the calendar handbook in September.

Please note the calendar before making travel plans for the holidays.

Dates and events on the annual calendar may change throughout the school year. Please look for notices, announcements and updates throughout the year.

After School Program

SHJS will be offering our After School Program again this year. *The cost for this program is \$175.00 per child, or \$250.00 per family.*

The After School Program will begin on Monday, September 13th and will operate from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. Families participating in the After School Program must pay the monthly fee no later than the 10th of each month, with the exception of September and June. The September payment is due by the 18th and the June payment is due on the 1st of June.

Half-Days with No After School

Friday, October 8th — Noon

Friday, November 5th — Noon

Wednesday, November 17th — Noon
for Parent Conferences

Wednesday, November 24th — 11am
No Lunch Service

Friday, December 10th — Noon

Friday, January 14th — Noon

Friday, February 11th — Noon

Friday, March 11th — Noon

Wednesday, March 16th — Noon
for Parent Conferences

Friday, April 8th — Noon

Wednesday, April 20th — 11am
No Lunch Service

Tuesday, June 21st — Noon

Wednesday, June 22nd — Noon

3:00pm Dismissal with No After School

Tuesday, December 21st
for Christmas Recess

Thursday, February 17th
for Mid-Winter Recess



Just a friendly reminder . . .

Tuition payments begin in August.

Monthly tuition payments must be made according to your individual family contract with TMS.

Late fees will be assessed by TMS when payments are received after the due date.

We suggest that families consider the auto-debit method to reduce chance of payments being lost or delayed in the mail.

TMS suggests mailing payments a minimum of 10 days before the due date.

Please remember, that late fees charged by TMS are not reversible and must be paid in order for the account to be considered current.

Now Serving — Breakfast!

Breakfast is served in Campbell Hall each morning at 7:30am.

Grades 1 to 8

Students in Grades 1 to 8 must enter Campbell Hall from 51st Street and must arrive no later than 7:45am.



If you would like for your child to participate in the Breakfast program simply drop us a note or call the school office.

Students arriving to school prior to official drop-off time must be enrolled in the Breakfast Program.

Early Childhood

Early Childhood students enrolled in the Breakfast program may enter Campbell Hall from 7:30am to 7:45am.

Beginning at 7:45 am, Early Childhood students enrolled in the Breakfast program must enter Campbell Hall from the main entrance of the school on 52nd Street.

Breakfast is served until 8:00am. Students enrolled in the Breakfast program arriving after 8:00am will be able to remain with the group, but will not be able to eat breakfast.

Back to School Night



Please join us this Thursday, September 16th at 6:00pm in the Church for our Back to School Night. We welcome all parents to this information filled evening. We will begin with a brief introduction from Father Gabriel, our Pastor and Mrs. Beale.

Classroom presentations will begin promptly at 6:30pm and the evening will conclude at approximately 7:30pm. Please take this opportunity to visit with us and to meet your child's teacher and to see all the improvements we made over the summer.

Used uniforms will be available for sale (at deep discount pricing) on Thursday, September 9th & Friday, September 10th beginning at 8:25am in the After School Room

The First Week of September

*Students in Kindergarten to Grade 8 report to the Main Courtyard
Students in Pre-K 3 & Pre-K 4 report directly to the classroom*

Wednesday, September 8

First Day of School for Grades 1 to 8, students report by 8:15 am

First Day of School for PK 3, PK 4 & K, students report at 8:30 am

12 noon dismissal for Pre-K 3 students only — All week

3:00pm dismissal for Pre-K 4 to Grade 8 — All week

No After School Program

Lunch Service Begins

Thursday, September 9

Breakfast Program Begins at 7:30am

No After School Program

Friday, September 10

12 noon dismissal for Pre-K 3 students only

3:00pm dismissal for Pre-K 4 to Grade 8

No After School Program

Monday, September 13

After School Program Begins

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED