

## **St. Jerome Early Childhood Center**



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*St. Jerome Early Childhood Center, a Catholic Community, provides a loving and accepting environment that fosters respect for all people, by modeling Christian values as our children grow and learn.* 

#### Administrator's Message:

Dear ECC Families and Friends,

Our staff was very happy to celebrate Catholic Schools Week! We are reminded of what a great gift it is to serve in a faith-filled environment where Jesus remains the center of everything that we do. Each of our activities last week was a celebration of love, joy, friendship, and family. We are truly blessed! Thank you for being a part of our wonderful school. Gratefully,

SJECC Staff





**50/50 Cash Raffle** Drawing on Mardi Gras 2/13 7pm FB Live Donation of \$1 for one ticket, \$5 for six tickets Pot is \$1,200.00 and growing!! Get your tickets today!

### **Open Enrollment for the 2024-25 School Year**

Open enrollment for the upcoming school year began on February 5th for currently enrolled students. Current ECC families are strongly encouraged to reenroll for the 2024-25 school year at this time to ensure a space for your child for the year ahead. Some age groups will fill up quickly!

**Registration for new students will begin on February 12<sup>th</sup>. \*We are taking appointments for registration times.** 

We appreciate your support in spreading the word!

Anyone who refers a family to SJECC will receive a \$100 Publix gift card when that student registers with us!

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

- <u>Class Pictures</u>: Class pictures will be taken on February 15 & 16. Rooms 1, 2, & 3 on Thursday and Rooms 1, 2 & 4 on Friday. The class photos will be for sale. Order information will be sent home soon.
- <u>Valentine Celebrations</u>: Class St. Valentine celebrations will be on Monday,
  - Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>. Parents are asked to wait to hear from the teachers about the day and time of the celebration and what is needed.

• <u>VPK Assessments</u>: Our four-year-olds brought home their January VPK assessments. These were conducted by the teacher using the FAST (Star Early Literacy) tool required by the state of Florida. Parents are asked to review the assessments. You will be able to see growth and also see any areas of concern. Please pay special attention to this information so together we can prepare your child for a successful kindergarten year. Teachers will schedule conferences with families **if needed** at this time. All students will have a parent/teacher conference on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Easter Break Camp: SJECC will offer a camp during the five days that our school is closed.
Come learn about Easter, Spring and all growing things! 9am to 12pm, \$150/week, 12 student maximum, 8 student minimum. Look for a Sign-Up Genius email going out on February 16<sup>th</sup>!

#### **UPCOMING:**

- Feb. 1 Tuition due
- Feb. 5 Registration for currently enrolled families begins (see Sign-Up Genius email)
- Feb. 12 Registration for new families begins (call office for appt.)
- Feb. 12,13 St. Valentine Day Activities
- Feb. 13 Mardi Gras 50/50 Cash Raffle Winner announced 7pm FB Live
- Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday
- Feb. 15 School Class Pictures Rooms 1, 2, & 3
- Feb. 16 School Class Pictures Rooms 1, 2 & 4
- Feb. 19 NO SCHOOL President's Day
- Feb. 27 Dental Presentation Staves Pediatric Dentistry
- March Nothing Bundt Cakes School Fundraiser 3/4 to 3/20
  - Leukemia Lymphoma Society Service Project -3/11 to 3/25

March 29 No School Good Friday

April 1 – 5No School Easter Break(Spring Camp available)

#### Feb. Birthdays

Charlie, Emily, Zack, Mrs. Demes, Mrs. Steele

#### <u>Thank you</u>

Book Fair mom volunteers: Morgan and Danielle

Librarian Jill for bringing our students great stories and fun activities.

Giving Tree Music for an amazing Drum Circle.

The Legion of Mary for their presentation on Mother Mary.

## **Catholic Schools Week - Donuts with Dad**









### **Catholic Schools Week - Drum Circle**







# **Grandparents Day**

