

**The Weekly Newsletter of Mr. Courchane, SJE**

**August 30, 2025**

**“Live a life that reflects God’s love”**

Dear Parents and Students:

Welcome Back!

- Each Friday I will email my weekly newsletter and post it on my school website.
- Each Friday I will send home a hard copy of a Friday Folder slip, on which I will note important upcoming items, ask for feedback, etc.
- I know most of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students already, but 8<sup>th</sup> grade is never an easy time for some students. Communication on both our parts will make this year easier.
- I expect schoolwork to be done mainly in class. If homework is assigned, I expect it back the next morning before 8:00 A.M. unless otherwise noted.
- Some 8<sup>th</sup> graders still need service hours. See me if you have questions about this process. The expectation is 5 hours each for fifth and sixth grade, 10 hours from 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and 10 more from 8<sup>th</sup> grade for total of 30 hours if a student has been here since 5<sup>th</sup> grade or before. These are guidelines. All the hours must be completed but if more need to be done in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, we can accommodate that.

Please keep asking your student to see his or her Friday folder and honor card at least once a week. You can ask me questions on the Friday folder slip, via email at [mcourchane@sje.school](mailto:mcourchane@sje.school), or in person, of course.

**September Dates**

9/1 – No School, Labor Day

9/10 – Candle mass.

9/16 – Summer birthdays non-uniform day.

9/23 – September birthdays non-uniform day.

9/29 – Picture Retakes.

Sincerely,

***Mr. Courchane***

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Homeroom

Middle School Science and Religion

*“The wide world is all about you: you can fence yourselves in, but you cannot forever fence it out.”*

*J. R. R. Tolkien*