



Blessings SJACS families!

As we wrap up the 2021-2022 school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support, prayers, and love this year. It has been a blessing to have met all of you. I cannot wait to see what we will accomplish in the years come!

With that said, the faculty and I have taken the time to pray and plan our summer plans for our Eagles. Collectively, we feel that although we want to challenge our students academically, we also want to provide opportunities for our Eagle families to work together. After all the difficulties we have faced with the pandemic, I believe I can speak for us all that the family unit, along with our faith, is above all. As Pope John Paul II stated, “The family, which is founded and given life by love, in a community of persons: of husband and wife, of parents and children, of relatives...with love the family is not a community of persons and, in the same way, *without love the family cannot love, grow and perfect itself as a community of persons.*” Through these activities and projects, we hope that as a school community, we can continue to act as a support of not only academics, but of family faith building.

Below, you will see a list of activities that we hope all our families will complete. We ask that you each complete a minimum of 10 projects, take pictures, and discuss what was completed. As you work on the activities, you may share the images on our social media pages as well. (Facebook: St. John the Apostle Catholic School, Instagram @sjacseagles)The goal is for these pictures and experiences to be discussed upon return to school on Wednesday, August 17. We will also be including 3 book titles per grade. Upon return, the students will be tested on one of these books. Please plan accordingly. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Blessings,

Mrs. Acosta

Principal

**SJACS Soaring Summer Activities**

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| 1. Water balloon or water gun fight | 22. Scavenger hunt | 43. Watch the sunset | 63. Pick wildflowers | 83. Visit local free museum | 102. Read a summer book |
| 2. Zoo or petting zoo | 23. Geocaching | 44. Breakfast on the grill | 64. Catch fireflies | 84. Have a dance party | 103. Color or sketch |
| 3. Stargaze | 24. Host a bbq | 45. Watermelon spitting contest | 65. Go rollerblading | 85. Spa night | 104. Take a nap |
| 4. Bonfire | 25. Visit a state or county park | 46. Make sun tea | 66. Visit a car show | 86. Game night | 105. Listen to a podcast |
| 5. Fly a kite | 26. Try (inter)tubing | 47. Look for shapes in clouds | 67. Flea market | 87. Thrift shop | 106. Organize your closet |
| 6. Make Chalk art | 27. Canoe or kayak | 48. Noodle war | 68. Train for a 5k | 88. Take a free workshop | 107. Lighthouse caretaker |
| 7. Visit a farmers' market | 28. Local festivals | 49. Play with sparklers | 69. Visit a splash pad | 89. Build an indoor fort | 108. Host a brunch |
| 8. Attend fireworks | 29. Lemonade stand | 50. Plant an herb garden | 70. Play lawn games | 90. Make homemade ice cream | 109. Screen-free day |
| 9. Have a picnic | 30. Sunbathe | 51. Visit botanical farm or arboretum | 71. State or county fair | 91. Christmas in July | 110. Play dress up or have a fashion show |
| 10. Neighborhood potluck or block party | 31. Take your dog to a dog park | 52. Drive-in movie | 72. Blow bubbles | 92. Movie night | 111. Perform a Puppet show |
| 11. 'Camp' in your backyard | 32. Have a yard sale | 53. Act tourist-y in your own town | 73. Clean out your garage | 93. 'Chopped' competition | 112. Paint a room |
| 12. Play frisbee or disc golf | 33. Go fishing | 54. Watch a parade | 74. Cook over an open fire | 94. Try out a new hobby | 113. Make potpourri |
| 13. Go swimming | 34. Run through the sprinkler | 55. One day road trip | 75. Jump rope or play hopscotch | 95. Clothing swap | 114. Tea party |
| 14. Take a bike ride | 35. Go to a lake | 56. Feed the ducks | 76. Visit the library | 96. Bake cookies | 115. Make jam |
| 15. Outdoor concert | 36. Garage sale shop | 57. Tie-dye | 77. Window shop | 97. Try a new recipe | 116. Put together a puzzle |
| 16. Movie in the park | 37. Play baseball, football, capture the flag, etc. | 58. Skip stones | 78. Cheap matinee movie | 98. Go bowling | 117. Make snow cones |
| 17. Play tennis | 38. U-pick fruit farm | 59. Go camping | 79. Volunteer at an animal shelter | 99. Make root beer floats | 118. Visit a friend or relative |
| 18. Yoga in the park | 39. Walk or play in the rain | 60. Night swim | 80. Visit local nature center | 100. Polish your nails or toes | 119. Look through photo albums |
| 19. Go for a hike | 40. Photo shoot | 61. Make a tire swing | 81. Make homemade popsicles | 101. Turn a pair of jeans into jean shorts | 120. Binge watch a new show |
| 20. Get ice cream | 41. Wash the car | 62. Build a sandcastle | 82. Start a side hustle business | | |
| 21. Flashlight tag | 42. Watch the sunrise | | | | |



St. John the Apostle Catholic School Summer Book List

Kindergarten

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus (by: Mo William)
Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten (by: Joseph Slate)
Duck on a Bike (by: David Shannon)

1st Grade

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (by Judith Viorst)
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie (by Laura Joffe Numeroff)
There's an Alligator Under My Bed (by Mercer Mayer)

2nd Grade

The Best Seat in Second Grade by Katharine Kenah
The Night Before Second Grade by Natasha Wing
The Bravest Dog Ever: The True Story of Balto by Natalie Standiford

3rd Grade

Lola Levine is not mean by Monica Brown
The Dragonsitter by Josh Lacey
Zoo in the Sky by Jacqueline Mitton

4th Grade

Word Travelers and the Taj Mahal Mystery by Raj Haldar
Mindy Kim and the Yummy Seaweed Business by Lyla Lee
Mac Undercover by Mac Barnett

5th Grade

Allergic by Megan Wagner Lloyd
Once Upon a Tim by Stuart Gibbs
From An Idea To Nike Lowey Bundy Sichol

Middle School

The Absolute Value of Mike by [Kathryn Erskine](#)
Small Acts of Amazing Courage by [Gloria Whelan](#)
Tall Story by [Candy Gourlay](#)
The Accidental Genius of Weasel High by Rick Detorie
[Finding Audrey](#) by [Sophie Kinsella](#),
[Allies](#) by Alan Gratz