

# New Parent Orientation

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2024-2025



# Contact Us

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Please visit our homepage [www.saintjoes.com](http://www.saintjoes.com) for school all info.

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  - Absences, late arrivals, and early dismissals
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# General Info

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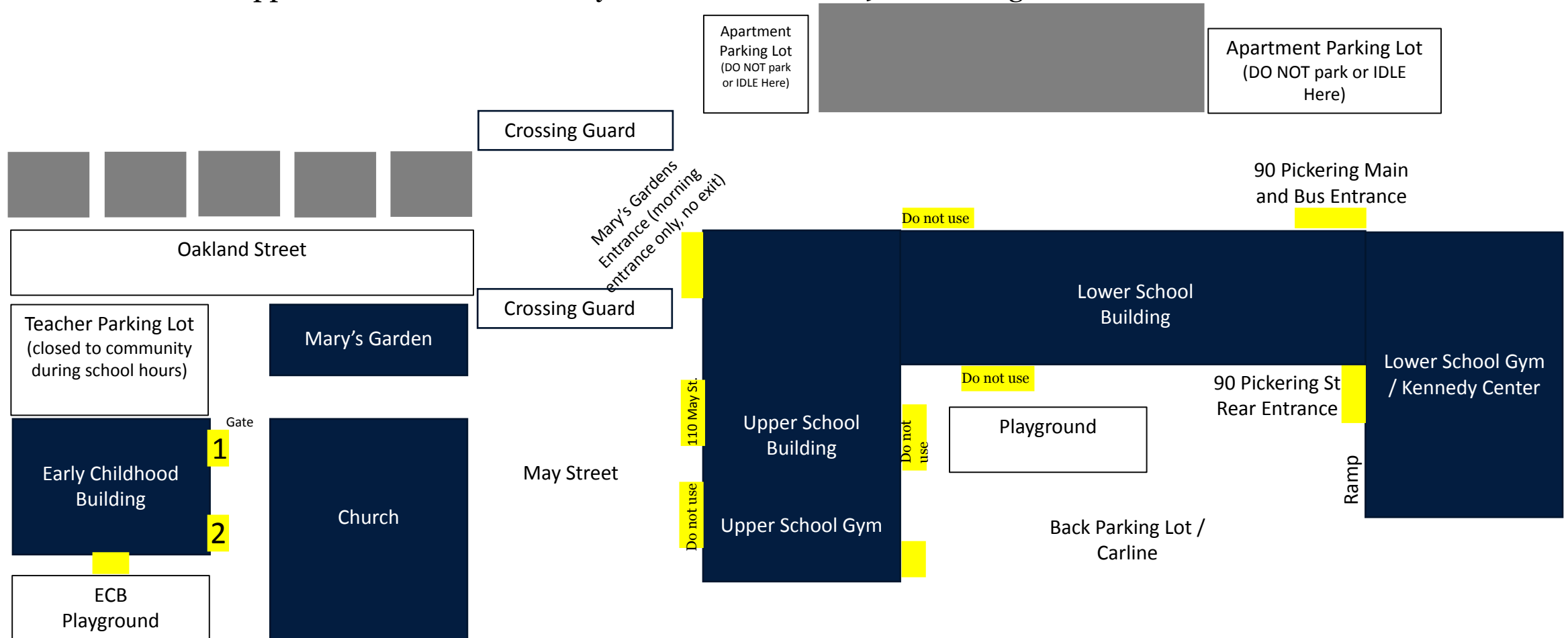
## Saint Joseph School:

Accept Jesus in our hearts. Aim to serve others. Achieve academic excellence. Aspire to change the world.

- 3 Divisions
  - Early Childhood School/Building (ECB) – 2.9 “Little Sharks”, Pre-School, Pre-Kindergarten
  - Lower School – Kindergarten - Grade 4
  - Upper School – Grades 5-8
- School Hours
  - 8:00am – 2:30 (ECB) / 2:40pm (Kindergarten - Grade 8)
    - Arrival window 8:00-8:15am\*  
*\*Upper School students have access to their lockers beginning at 7:50am*
    - Morning announcements at 8:10am
    - Dismissal – 2:30pm Early Childhood School, 2:40pm Lower and Upper Schools
    - All late arrivals and early dismissals must be via the main office at 90 Pickering\*  
*\*Early Childhood School late arrivals and early dismissals from ECB office*
- Before Care and Aftercare
  - Before Care
    - 7:15-8:00am
    - Open to all students, drop-in
    - Held in the HUB, enter via back/parking lot doors at 90 Pickering St.
    - \$4 per day, charged via FACTS account
  - Aftercare
    - Available from 2:30/2:40pm-5:30pm
    - Open to all students, pre-registration/contract required
    - More info: <https://www.saintjoes.com/school-life/aftercare-program.cfm>

# Arrival and Dismissal Locations

- 2.9 arrival at door #1, parents should enter with students, and bring students downstairs
- Pre-School arrival on ECB playground and dismissal at door #2
- PreKindergarten arrival at door #2 and dismissal at back parking lot gate
- Lower and Upper School arrival via Mary's Garden Door and 90 Pickering Main and Rear entrances



# Supplies

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School supplies are provided as part of your student's tuition.

- Please send your student to school with:
  - Backpack
  - Water bottle
  - 1 Snack
  - 1 Lunch
  - Wearing school uniform
- Uniforms
  - Available to purchase via Dennis Uniform
  - Visit [www.dennisuniform.com](http://www.dennisuniform.com) with school code DDCo10
  - The school uniform closet is always available to take or leave uniforms
- 2.9, Pre-School and PreKindergarten:
  - Gym uniform daily:
    - Navy blue sweat/nylon shorts or navy blue sweatpants with school emblem
    - Saint Joseph School light gray tee shirt with school emblem
    - Saint Joseph School sweaters, sweatshirts, and fleece, are permitted year-round (as outerwear over the regulation uniform)
    - Socks and sneakers

# Supplies (cont'd)

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More uniform info found online here: <https://www.saintjoes.com/school-life/uniforms.cfm>

- Uniforms (cont'd) - Kindergarten-Grade 8:

- Regular uniform (non-gym)

- Daily options, Girls:

- Plaid jumpers or plaid skirt/skort with navy logo polo
      - Khaki shorts/pants with navy logo polo
      - Ankle socks, navy knee socks or navy tights with sneakers
      - Saint Joseph School sweaters, sweatshirts, and fleece, are permitted year-round (as outerwear over the regulation uniform).

- Daily options, Boys:

- A navy logo polo shirt with khaki pants or shorts
      - Saint Joseph School sweaters, sweatshirts, and fleece, are permitted year-round (as outerwear over the regulation uniform)
      - Socks and sneakers

- Gym Uniforms, Girls and Boys:

- Navy blue sweat/nylon shorts with school emblem or navy blue sweatpants with school emblem
    - Saint Joseph School light gray tee shirt with school emblem
    - Saint Joseph School sweaters, sweatshirts, and fleece, are permitted year-round (as outerwear over the regulation uniform)
    - Socks and sneakers

# Lunch

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We offer 2 "hot lunch" programs, and you are always welcome to send in a lunch from home.

- Lunch Box by EZ School Apps
  - Offered Monday-Thursday
  - Managed by our partner [EZSchoolApps.com](https://EZSchoolApps.com)
  - Selections made and paid for by families on the EZ School Apps site
  - Can opt-in/out at any time
- Pizza Fridays
  - Offered Fridays
  - Food provided by Needham House of Pizza
  - Includes pizza and chicken nugget options (no nuggets served during Lent)
    - Early Childhood School only can receive 1 slice of pizza + rice crispy treat
  - Opt-in at the beginning of the school year
- More info on both programs will be provided in August

# Communication

All School –

Weekly Scoop, emailed on Sunday afternoons

Class specific –

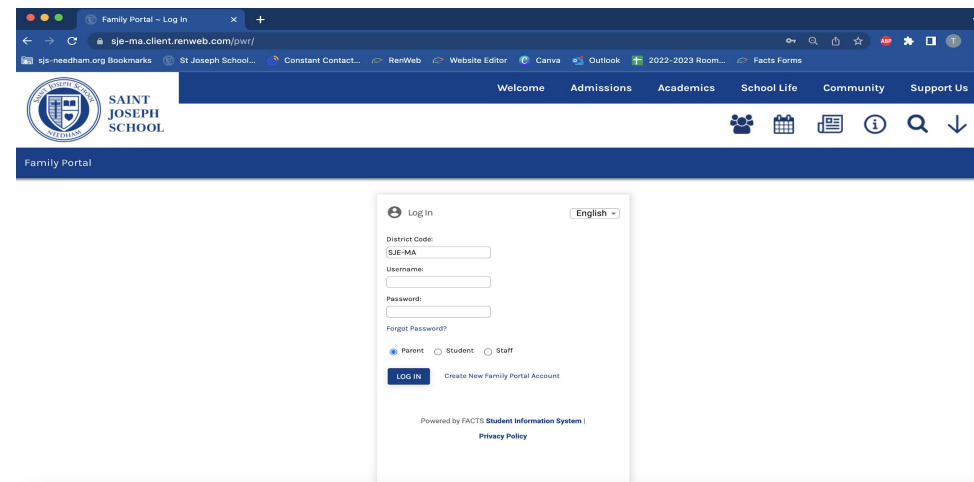
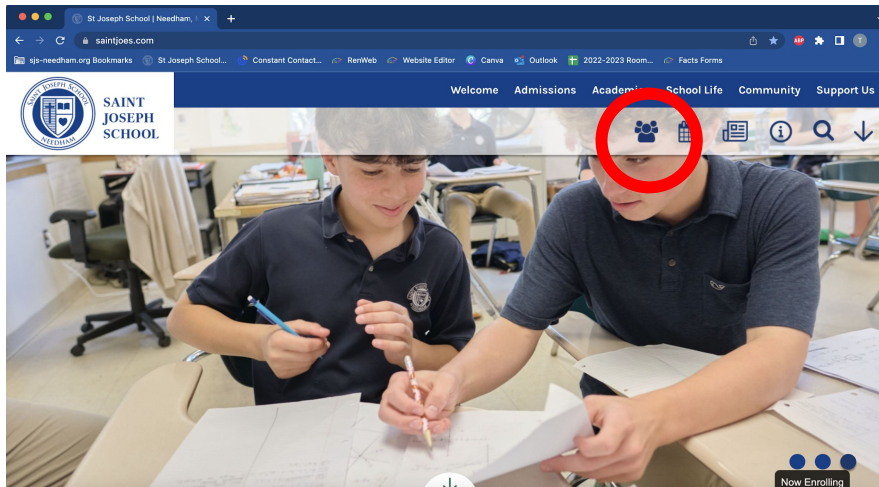
Early Childhood and Lower School – Friday blast from teacher

Upper School – Email communication available with each teacher as needed

Summer “Start-Up Guide” –

Will receive via email in Aug. with all forms and necessary info to start the year off!

Family Portal -



- Use: Update family contact info (address, occupation, family info, etc.), access tuition and other financial information, review grades 3-5 report cards and grades 6-8 grade book

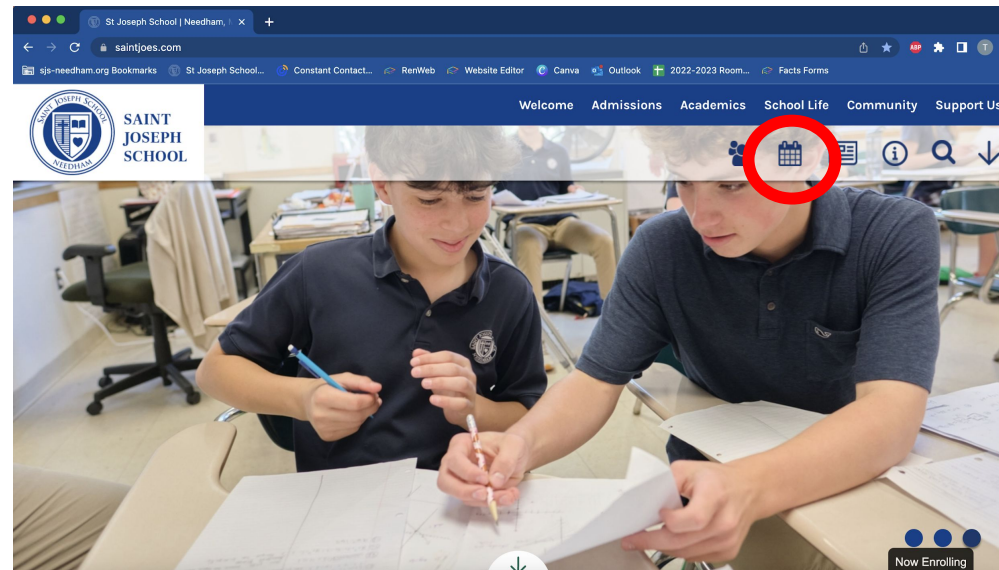


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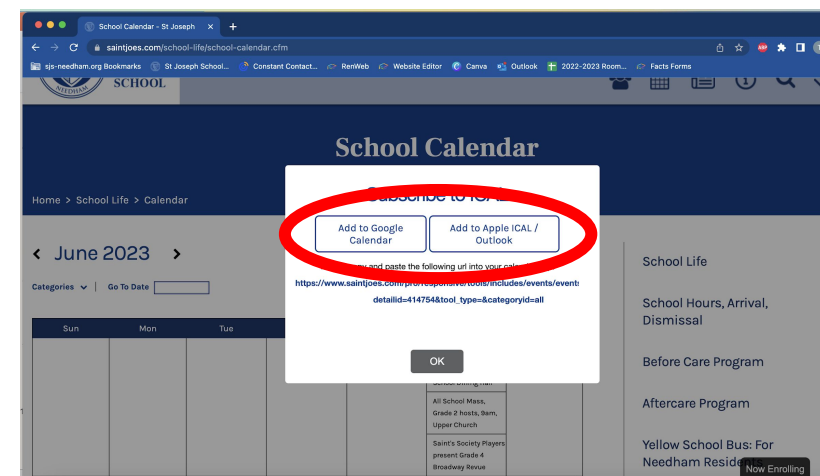
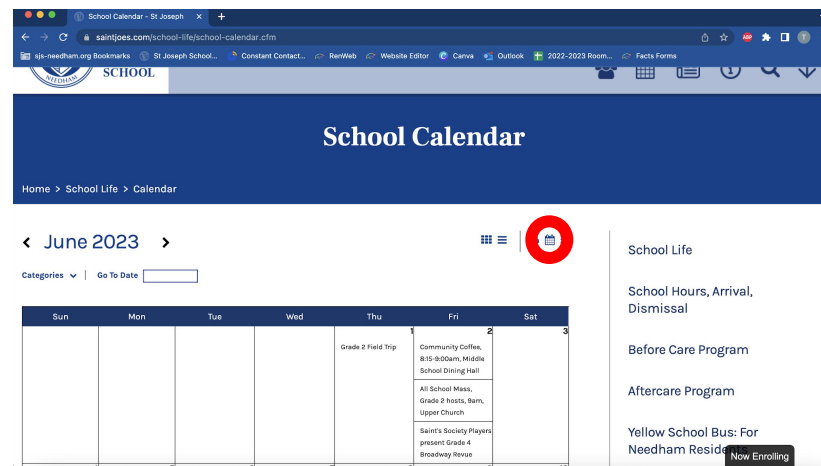
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- All emails follow the same format: first initial, last name, @sjs-needham.org
- Social Media
  - @stjoesneedham
  - Facebook – [www.facebook.com/stjoesneedham](https://www.facebook.com/stjoesneedham)
  - Instagram – [www.instagram.com/stjoesneedham](https://www.instagram.com/stjoesneedham)
  - LinkedIn - <https://www.linkedin.com/company/saint-joseph-school-needham/>

# School Calendar



You can sync your calendar! Here's how:



# School Spirit Store

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Items can be purchased 24/7 all year long, and new items are being added seasonally!

- Our school spirit store is hosted by SquadLocker.com
- A link to the store can be found on our website under the “Support Us” tab
- <https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/saint-joseph-school-store>



# Volunteer Opportunities

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We are always looking for parents to help out!\*

- Parent School Association (PSA)
  - [PSA@sjs-needham.org](mailto:PSA@sjs-needham.org)
  - 2023-2024 Chairs:
    - Ali Mazza and Azi Griffin
- PSA Volunteer Opportunities: Links to participate found online under the Community tab
  - Room Parent
  - PSA Event Chair/Committee Member
  - Recess/Lunch monitor
- Other School Volunteers
  - Classroom volunteers
  - Library volunteers
  - Field trip chaperones

*\*you must have a CORI form and Virtus certificate on file to volunteer*

# Student Orientations

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**New Parent PSA Welcome Reception, Save the date: Monday, August 26, 2024 at 6:00pm**

- Early Childhood School All Student Orientation
  - Monday, August 26, 2024
    - 2.9 Little Sharks at 9:00am
    - PreSchool at 10:00am
    - PreKindergarten at 11:00am
- Lower School (Grades K-4) New Student Orientation
  - Tuesday, August 27, 2024 (time tbd)
  - New incoming grades K-4 students
- Upper School (Grades 5-8) Orientation
  - Tuesday, August 27, 2024 (time tbd)
  - All incoming grade 5 and 6 students
  - New incoming grade 7 and 8 students

# Let's Go Saint Joes!

