



*Honoring Saint Joseph
Parish 125th Anniversary*

Dear Parents:

It is with **excitement and enthusiasm** that I share with you the particulars of this major fundraiser that we will be undertaking beginning next week. St. Joseph School will be conducting its *second Race for Education*, on **Friday, April 18, 2008**. The funds raised will go toward a much needed upgrading of our Science lab and science equipment.

We are planning a day that will be fun for the students and hopefully generate substantial funds for the school. In dress down attire, the students will walk approximately half mile around the school and rectory area as many times as one hour period will permit. **Each student will raise funds by asking sponsors (family, friends, etc.) to contribute a tax deductible donation..**

On Monday March 3rd, your child/ren will be sent home with a “Kick-off -Packet” of information about our **Race for Education**. I ask that you review the packet very carefully. Your participation and cooperation is essential for this event to succeed.

Our goal is to raise, **\$40,000**. I am sure that with your track record of support, we will reach this target. Your assistance will necessitate spending a few minutes with your child /ren and completing the label sheet with the names and addresses of potential sponsors. The label sheet and instructions will be included in the “**Kick-off Packet**” that your child/ren will bring home on **March 3rd**. If you have more than one child, the same names may be placed on **each child’s labels**. **All of the additional paper work will be done at school and our Room Directors and other volunteers** will be requested to help the students. Sponsor sheets will be mailed from school. To defray the cost of postage, which will be considerable, I ask that if possible, each family donate a book of **stamps**. It would be deeply appreciated.

When this packet comes home, please share the enthusiasm of the children by reading the directives carefully and returning the labels by the stated date. All of the details will be contained in the above mentioned packet.

I am confident, knowing our SJS family, that this event will be one of the most successful in the history of the school. In the end, it will result in a new Science Lab and equipment which will be accessible to all grades. Please know that when this occurs, and I am certain it will, you will be a part of enhancing the education not only of *your* children and their classmates, but for children for years and years to come. Thank you in advance.

Very truly yours,

S. Maureen Joseph, CSJ
Principal