

A note from Your John Ireland Parent Advisory Committee Chair:

Happy fall everyone,

This month the John Ireland Parent Advisory Committee is happy to welcome Sam Anderley to the committee. Sam will be another voice for all John Ireland parents at our meetings and we are excited to have her in the group and look forward to her ideas and contributions in the future. With the addition Sam we also saw the departure of Brian Salfer. Thank you Brian for your years of service dedication to the committee and the John Ireland family.

By now I'm sure that everyone is aware of the St. Peter School Districts decision to full distance learning until January 4th of next year. While this will have an impact on JI with busing it shouldn't otherwise affect us too much. I feel very fortunate that we are in a different situation than the public schools and are able to keep our kids going in person. We have been very blessed in that we have not had cases and only a couple are out quarantined because of a close contact and if that continues it will help to keep in person learning for the kids. Remember to do your health screenings in the morning to aid in keeping this and know that Ms. Wenner has our children's safety and best interest in mind with all decisions that are made.

On a brighter note we had one the most successful Marathons that we have had in awhile with just over \$18,000 being donated. Thank you to all who donated for helping to provide a safe and wonderful place for our children to go school. And thank you to all who volunteered to plan and work the event. Parent volunteers are vital to the success of any events that we hold and couldn't be done without them. If you haven't had the opportunity to yet I highly encourage you to do so. It's a rewarding experience and much appreciated by the school staff and students. Watch the newsletter and future emails for your next opportunity. If you have questions about volunteering please reach out to anyone of the parent committee members and we would be happy to help.

The JI clothing store is now open until December 1st. Visit the store and get some of your holiday shopping done while also helping support the school. You can follow this link [JI Store](#) for all your apparel needs.

JI was also registered in a scarecrow at GO Therapy here in St. Peter. We came 3rd place with it being a tight race in the top 3. Thank you all who voted and thank you to the Schmidt family for making such an awesome scarecrow.

That pretty much sums up the meeting for November, again if you have any questions or concerns I encourage you to reach out to a member of the committee.

Thank you

Chris Mish, JIPAC Chair