

# Connected through Faith, Learning, and Living

Mr. Randy Noah, Plantation Agriculture Museum Curator, showed the different parts of the cotton plant to fourth grade students on September 22nd. See the full story below.



## SCHOOL NEWS

First grade students were able to explore some of the High School classrooms on September 22nd. Scroll down for more pictures and stories from inside our walls.



## ALUMNI NEWS

Olga (Luyet, '98) Yarian shared tips about pursuing a degree in Nursing to Juniors and Seniors on September 13th. Keep reading the right side bar to see what other alumni are doing.



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### UPCOMING DATES

P/T Conferences: Oct. 19-20 Red Ribbon Week: Oct. 24-28 K-3 Grandparent Lunch: Nov. 10 Senior Play: Nov. 11



Father Tony Robbins sat proudly on an antique Farmall tractor while on the fourth grade field trip.



Jesus Sanchez volunteered to spin the seed auger simulator at the Plantation Agriculture Museum.

### Indian Mounds & Cotton Gins

4th Grade Investigates Arkansas History

History came alive for St. Joseph School fourth graders as they traveled down to Scott, Arkansas, to explore the Toltec Mounds Archaeological State Park and the Plantation Agriculture Museum on September 22nd. Students learned how to describe fossils, inferred the purpose of the Toltec Mounds, and saw the journey of cotton from plant through the gin. A National Historic Landmark, the Toltec Mounds site is one of the largest archaeological sites in the Lower Mississippi River Valley, which includes Arkansas's tallest American Indian mounds. Students were able to see the remaining three mounds where eighteen once stood. These ancient earthworks are the remains of the late-Woodland thru early-Mississippian Period ceremonial and governmental complex from A.D. 650 to 1050. The exhibits at the Plantation Agriculture Museum interpret the history of cotton agriculture in Arkansas from statehood in 1836 through World War II, when agricultural practices quickly became mechanized. Students learned about growing and picking cotton, as well as ginning and storing the seeds. They also were able to tour the Dortch Gin Building and Seed Warehouse No. 5. "These kids are so well-behaved and ask such great questions!" said Randy Noah, curator of

the Plantation Agriculture Museum.

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**ALUMNI NEWS** 

Dr. Aaron Seiter ('93) poses with his recent patient, sixth grader Marleigh Thessing and her brother Braxton Thessing (3rd grader), in his foot clinic.



Congratulations to Courtney Brigger, '12 and Michael Burmester '11 on their engagement. They are set to be married at St. Joseph Church on December 16th.



### Cows & Pumpkins & Hayrides, Oh My!

#### Kindergarten & First Grade Take a Trip to the Corn Maze at Lollie

What is germination? Ask one of our Kindergarten or First Grade students, and they will show you their germination necklaces they put together while at the Corn Maze at Lollie! The necklace includes a corn seed, a cotton ball, and water in a plastic bag, and students are anticipating seeing the seeds sprout before their eyes.

In addition to seeing corn from seed to harvest, students learned how to milk a cow, interacted with live sheep, and decorated pumpkins! They also discussed uses of corn and milk and took a tour of the Schaefers' farm by hayride.



Left: First graders, Ava Moix and Amaya Garay are all smiles on the hay ride.

#### Right: First grader, Christian O'Dwyer enjoys a milk mustache after learning how to milk a cow.



Left: Ben Decker (Kindergarten) navigates through the straw tunnel.

Right: Lola Jackson, first grader, excitedly rides the tractor train with no hands.



Al Hiegel, '44 celebrated his 90th birthday on October 1st. Whether airplanes or zip lines, this man loves to fly!

### ALUMNI NEWS



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#### **On Air at SJS** DHC Airs 3rd Episode and **Students Visit News Station**

Andy Jones' High School Multimedia class has created The Dog House Connect, which aired its third episode on October 7th. Better known as the DHC, it is more than a broadcast; it's a way that our students develop and exercise real world applications in communications, marketing, business, and digital communication. They have hands-on course work in creating every broadcast that DHC airs. For each episode, the students go through a process that begins by designing storyboards and scripts then filming and editing to have a final product. **CLICK HERE** to see episodes and behind the scenes of their recent trip to the KARK news station.



L to R: Gabby Hathaway, Peter Woodson, Ian Martin, Andrew Marks, and Gillian Creel experience some time on the air.



Fourth graders, Allie Evans (left) and Daniel Trusty (below) analyze living things using handheld microscopes.

Joanie Elsinger during St Joseph's defeat of Mayflower





Savannah Covington, '14 and brother Nicholas (5th grade) supported the school on Sept. 10th by test driving a Ford vehicle. For each test drive, our school received \$20 from Ford Motor Company!

We welcome back Jessie Ross, '05 as boys and girls golf coach and 7th-12th grade girls basketball coach. She also teaches 9th grade Health/PE and Family and Consumer Science. Coach Ross is pictured with Senior Mary Hartman at the state golf tournament. CONNECTION







High School Principal, Diane Wolfe, spoke to Conway Kiwanis Club on Sept. 21 about Service Learning, the topic of her PhD dissertation.



(Left to Right) Seniors Madison Beck, Patricia Lambe, and Rachel Prall present the 2017 Senior Banner to the entire school. The banner is made of individual squares designed by each senior that represents their uniqueness connected by a cross representing their oneness with each other through Christ. FACEBOOK TWITTER WEBSITE





### **Running for Medals**

St. Joseph Cross Country team did well at the Magazine Invitational on Sept. 27. The Senior

Teams ran 3.1 miles. Exchange student Simone Leverone set a school record of 18:44 with Nicholas Brorman three seconds behind him. Caleb Mallett placed 9th in the 1.5 mile run while setting a school record of 8:42 (pictured above right). On October 4th, they ran at the Quitman Invitational, where Brorman placed 6th and Leverone placed 7th (pictured above left).

Lilly Hill (below) set a junior girls school record of 9.28 in her 1.5 mile run and won a 7th



place medal on Sept. 27. She then placed 6th in the 2 mile run with a time of 13.10 on Oct. 8 in Bryant. We are incredibly proud of our cross country teams!

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Nate Perry (7th grade) helps maintain the High School courtyard.



(Left to Right) Elijah Bailey, Gage Berger, Timmy Coney, and Walter Flanagin placed 2nd in the boys golf district tournament.

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