



Sts. FRANCIS & JOSEPH SCHOOL
Unity is Strength

No. 45 Boyd Road, Nassau, Bahamas

Home of the
SHOCKERS

May Newsletter 2026



Guided by FAITH,
Inspired by EXCELLENCE:
OUR LEGACY CONTINUES!

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SCHOOL YEAR 2025 - 2026

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THEME

*Guided in Faith, Inspired by
Excellence.. .*

“Our Legacy Continues



**The administrators and staff take this opportunity to thank you
for your continued cooperation and support.**

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

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To ensure the *safety of our students*,
we ask **that parents communicate** with
the school when they are **sending**
someone to collect their **child/children**.

Please contact the

OFFICE or CLASSROOM TEACHER

when you are sending

someone to collect
your child/children.



Contact 322-2037

WELCOME MAY



SFJ CALENDAR AT A GLANCE- MAY

1	ARCHDIOCESAN TRACK & FIELD MEET (GRADES 2 - 6)
5	MATHEMATICS EXAMINATION
7	GRADE 6- LANGUAGE ARTS EXAMINATION
8	MATHEMATICS MARK DAY
10	MOTHER'S DAY
11-15	G.L.A.T.
12	GENERAL ELECTIONS- NO SCHOOL
15	PRE-K & KINDERGARDEN SPORTS DAY
22	NUMERACY DAY
25	WHIT MONDAY HOLIDAY- NO SCHOOL
26	SENIORS DAY
28	GRADES K-5 LANGUARGE ARTS EXAMS
29	STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

WORD OF THE MONTH- CARING

CARING

You are **CARING** when you:

- ❑ are **considerate, kind & respectful** in all your actions.
- ❑ show **concern** for the **well-being of others**.
- ❑ are **sensitive** to people's feelings.
- ❑ **think** about **how your actions** will affect others.
- ❑ are **not deliberately mean or hurtful**.
- ❑ lend a **helping hand** to those around you.
- ❑ **say nice things** and **share compliments** with others.
- ❑ **forgive** others.



SCHOOL FEE INCREASE 2026 - 2027

Please note that school fees are scheduled to increase every three years. However, it has been more than four years since the last adjustment.

The graphic features a dark blue background with lightning bolt effects. At the top, the school's name is written in a white cursive font, followed by 'CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL' in bold white block letters. Below this, the word 'SHOCKERS' is written in large, blue, stylized block letters with a white outline and a lightning bolt graphic. A central banner reads 'NOTICE OF SCHOOL FEE INCREASE!' in bold red and white text. Below the banner, a white box contains the fee breakdown: Tuition: \$974.00, Special Fees: \$250.00, and Total: \$1224.00. At the bottom, a red banner states 'An Increase of \$50.00 / 5%'. In the bottom left corner, there is an illustration of a stack of books, pencils, and a calculator.

St. Francis & Joseph
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

SHOCKERS

NOTICE OF
SCHOOL FEE
INCREASE!

Tuition: \$974.00
Special Fees: \$250.00
Total: \$1224.00

An Increase of \$50.00 / 5%

ARCHDIOCESAN TRACK & FIELD

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026
TRACK & FIELD EVENTS



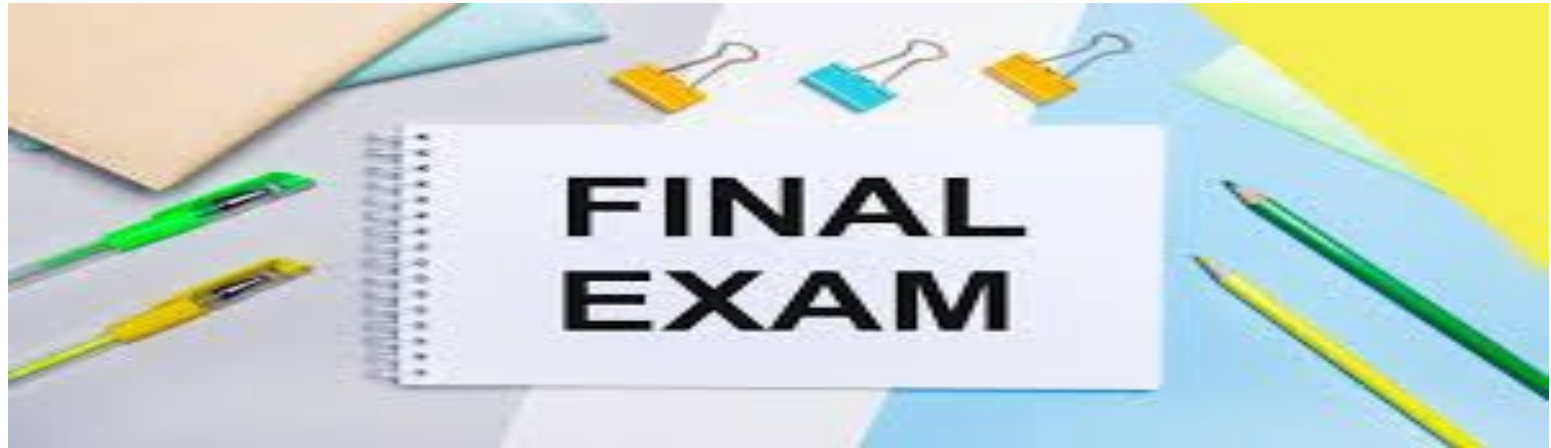
The poster features a circular logo in the top left corner for Sts. Francis & Joseph Catholic Primary School, established in 1881 and 1932. The main title is 'Archdiocesan Track & Field Meet Interschool Sports' in a large, bold, blue font. Below the title is a colorful illustration of five runners in silhouette, wearing various colored tank tops and shorts, running against a background of vibrant paint splashes in yellow, orange, pink, and blue. At the bottom, the date 'FRIDAY, MAY 1st, 2026' is written in white on a black background, and a list of participating schools is provided in white text on a black background.

**Archdiocesan
Track & Field Meet
Interschool Sports**

**FRIDAY, MAY
1st, 2026**

- STS. FRANCIS & JOSEPH SCHOOL
- ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL
- ST. CECILIA'S SCHOOL
- XAVIERS LOWER SCHOOL

WRITING & MATHEMATICS EXAMINATIONS



Mathematics Exam Tuesday, 5 May, 2026

Language Arts Exam Thursday, 7 May, 2026

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS



Thursday, May 7, 2026. This day raises awareness about the importance of children's mental health, highlighting that positive emotional well-being is essential to a child's healthy development.

MOTHER'S DAY

Happy Mother's Day to
all the mothers and
mother figures.
You truly make a
difference.

Sunday, May 10, 2026



SAPPHIRE AWARDS



Sapphire AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL
STUDENTS RECEIVING AN AWARD.

MONDAY, 11 MAY, 2026

IN THE ASSEMBLY AREA



ELECTION DAY- NO SCHOOL

The General Elections will take place on Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

There will be **NO** school for students.

**2026 GENERAL
ELECTION**

MAY 12TH

Your vote matters.

PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN SPORTS DAY

★
Friday
MAY 15

★
PRE-K
&
KINDERGARTEN

9:00 A.M.-
12:00 P.M.



★
SPORTS

DAY



KA
YELLOW

K1G
RED

K1M
GREEN

KL
ORANGE



NUMERACY DAY

**SFJ'S
Numeracy Day
Friday, May 22, 2027**

**Math projects will be
on display.**

Parents are invited!

✦ Sts. Francis & Joseph Catholic School

NUMERACY DAY!

Poetry Competition:
Write a Numeracy Poem!
(3 Stanzas)

T-Shirt Design Competition:
Create a Math-Themed T-Shirt!

Math Games

Digital Poster Competition:
Design a Numeracy Poster!
(No A.I.)

Song Competition:
Compose a Math-Inspired Song!

For Grades 4-6

BUILDING BRIDGES THROUGH SUBJECT INTEGRATION

Math projects will be displayed.

✦ **May 22, 2026** ✦
Parents are invited.

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WHIT MONDAY HOLIDAY- 25 MAY, 2026

Whit Monday is a public holiday celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost (50 days after Easter). It marks the end of the Easter cycle and the beginning of public witness for the Christian church.

There will be **No** school for students on this day.



STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

Staff Appreciation Day

Friday, May 29, 2026.



SUMMER SCHOOL

Sts. Francis & Joseph School

SUMMER SCHOOL!

\$110 Per Week
\$300 One Time Payment

June 22 - July 9, 2026
8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Aftercare Available!
2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. \$5.00 daily

- Reading** •
- Mathematics** • $2 + 3 = ?$
- Language Arts** •
- Science** •
- Cooking** •
- Grades Pre-K - 6**
- P.E.** •

& So Much More!

Contact the school's office for information!
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CELEBRATING SUCCESS IN & OUT OF SCHOOL



Celebrating Success: In & Out of School

We love celebrating our students' success! Has your child recently received an award or special recognition for something they achieved outside of school (e.g., sports, music, community service, etc.)?

Let us know.

We want to celebrate them within our school community!

Email us:

witchell.wilson@cec.edu.bs / ghumes@cec.edu.bs

Include the student's name, grade, and details of their accomplishments.

SFJ CASUAL DRESS CODE

*Students are not allowed to wear rip jeans or jeans with holes in them, even if they are patched. Only plain long jeans **with tennis shoes** are allowed.*

X



OUT OF UNIFORM & DRESS CODE /RULES

NO HAIR EXTENSIONS

NO RIP JEANS

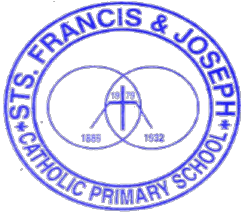
NO SHORT JEANS

NO CROCS (unless advised)

NO SANDALS- TENNIS SHOES ONLY

NO MAKEUP





Notice To Parents

1. **No Parent should be at a teacher's door between 8:15am - 3:15pm**
(Teachers must supervise their students)
2. Please allow students in kindergarten - Grade 6 to carry and unpack their own bags.
3. Parents please be reminded that you are not allowed to walk your child/children through the entrance gate which leads to the office because of the traversing of traffic.
4. Kindly enter and exit with your child/children through the **Pavillion Gate**, before school begins and after school.
5. Should you need to drop off any large items for your child or child's class, please use the **Service Gate near the kitchen**.
6. Parents **DO NOT** block the driveway which leads to the School or Rectory.
7. Parents are **NOT ALLOWED** to park inside the school yard before or after school hours.
8. Parents please be mindful of how you dress when entering the school's campus. **No cut-off shirts, pajamas, bonnets etc.**
9. If you need to meet with a teacher , please ensure that you make an appointment via email 24 hours in advance.

SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

School Fee Payment Options

There are now **only two school fee payment options** available

1. [Tuitionpay.io](#) (Preferred method of payment)
2. **Bank Transfer**

A. CIBC School Fee payments:

Account Name: RCANB Special Catholic School Account

Account Number: **1126917**

Bank Transit Number - 09786 (Palmdale)

Account Type: Checking

B. RBC School fee payments:

Account Name: RCANB Catholic Education Centre

Account Number: **2897445**

Bank Transit Number - **05745** (Palmdale)

Account Type: Checking

**Please do NOT send receipts
to Ms.Russell, Ms.Durham or
Ms.Hall.**

School fee payment receipts should be emailed to: **Ms. Sands-** asands@cec.edu.bs,
Ms. Wilson- witchell.wilson@cec.edu.bs, **Mrs. Goffe** - jgoffe@cec.edu.bs and
Ms. Bullard - mbullard@cec.edu.bs

Please note that students **will not** be permitted in class if school fee payments are not up to date

Are You A Part Of Our School Dojo?

Join our ClassDojo School Community today!! Just Click the link!

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=school&schoolID=55cbda77172d004c77a21bff>

**We're a
ClassDojo School**



DROP OFF AND PICK UP AREAS

Drop off Areas- Pre K - Grade 6 - Pavilion.

Pre-K and K Parents are allowed to take and collect their child/children at the classroom.

Grades 1-6 students will remain in the pavilion where they will sit quietly and read. Parents are also asked to collect their child/children from the pavilion after school. **Please do not wait on the porches in front of the doors or windows.**

The school's office closes promptly at 4:00 p.m. Therefore, parents are reminded that students should be collected no later than 3:30 p.m. If your child is registered for an afterschool club or class, please ensure that you arrive on time for pick up. **Students not in an afterschool club or class and left after 3:30 p.m. will be placed in aftercare for \$10.00 per day.**

Please identify what you are paying for.

Please note all after school classes and club fees are to be paid to via tuition Account:

RCANB-Special Catholic School Acct (CIBC-Palmdale) - 1126917
RCAB-Catholic Education Centre (RBC-Palmdale) - 05745-2897445

LUNCH ORDER PROCEDURE & MENU

Each morning the concessionaires will take lunch orders at the gate. Breakfast items will also be on sale. The payment options are exact cash or online payments.

There will be **NO** warming of lunches. Parents are asked to provide students with a thermos or another container to help keep lunches warm. Fast food is NOT permitted for students' lunch. During break time students may have fruits and water. Chips, cookies and other snacks may be eaten at lunch time.

Wednesdays are designated as "Water Wednesdays". On Wednesdays students are asked to drink water only.

C. ISLAND KITCHEN & CATERING

Method of payment (PAY ONLINE)

RBC (Beneficiary's Account Number (057151293117) please SEND bank receipt

Mrs. King 544-1658 OR Mrs. Seymour 427-1532

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Sept 1,15,29- Oct 6,20- Nov 3,17- Dec 1,15,29- Jan 12,26- Feb 2,16- Mar 2,16,30- Apr 13,27
May- 11,25- Jun 1,15

MENU1

DAILY BREAKFAST STEAMED OR FRIED SAUSAGE CORNED BEEF, MACKEREL OR TUNA SERVED WITH YELLOW GRITS \$3 - PANCAKE \$3 or PANCAKE & SAUSAGE \$3.50 COMBO \$5 7am to 8:20am LUNCH 12:05pm-12:45pm NOON & 12:50pm-1:30PM				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHICKEN TENDERS & FRIES \$5	STEAMED GROUND BEEF YELLOW RICE WITH VEG \$5	TUNA, HOT DOG, CHICKEN SANDWICH SERVE WITH CHIP \$5	HOMEMADE SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS \$5	CHICKEN WINGS & FRIES \$5
TUNA SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	TURKEY SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	TUNA SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	HAM SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	TUNA SANDWICH & FRIES OR DRINK \$5
HOT DOG DRINK COMBO \$5	CORN DOG DRINK COMBO \$5	HOT PATTY DRINK COMBO \$5	CORN DOG DRINK COMBO \$5	HOT DOG & FRIES OR DRINK \$5
TWIST-\$2	TWIST-\$2	TWIST - \$2	HOT PATTY DRINK COMBO \$5	TWIST- \$2
TUNA OR HOTDOG SANDWICH \$3.75	TURKEY SANDWICH ONLY \$3.75			FRIES ONLY \$4

GREEN SALAD.....\$4

Fruits.....ORANGE.....APPLE.....BANANA.....\$1.00

HOT CHOCOLATE & TEA.....\$2.00

CAN JUICE.....\$2.00

LEMONADE.....\$2.00

CHOCOLATE & STRAWBERRY MILK.....\$2.00

WATER, SM JUICE \$1.00

CHIPS, BISCUIT, FRUIT

SNACK.....\$1. 00

Please note that the menu is subject to change. A twenty-four-hour notice will be given whenever a substitution has to be made, and we do apologize for any inconvenience caused. Thank you.

MENU 2

Sept 8,22 –Oct 13,27- Nov 10,24- Dec 8,22- Jan 5,19- Feb 9,23- Mar 9,23- Apr 6,20- May 4,18- Jun 8

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHICKEN TENDERS & FRIES \$5	STEAMED HAM WHITE RICE CORN \$5	HOT DOG OR CHESSEBURGER SANDWICH SERVE WITH CHIP \$5	CURRY CHICKEN WHITE RICE CORN \$5	CHICKEN NUGGETS & FRIES \$5
TUNA SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	TURKEY SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	TUNA SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	HAM SANDWICH DRINK COMBO \$5	TUNA SANDWICH & FRIES OR DRINK \$5
HOT DOG DRINK COMBO \$5	CORN DOG DRINK COMBO \$5	HOT PATTY & DRINK COMBO \$5	CORN DOG & DRINK COMBO \$5	HOT DOG & FRIES OR DRINK \$5
TWIST-\$2	TURKEY SANDWICH ONLY \$3.75	TWIST - \$2	HOT PATTY & DRINK COMBO \$5	TWIST- \$2
TUNA OR HOTDOG SANDWICH \$3.75				FRIES ONLY \$4

GREEN SALAD.....\$4

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CAN JUICE.....\$2.00

LEMONADE.....\$2.00

CHOCOLATE & STRAWBERRY MILK.....\$2.00

WATER, SM JUICE \$1.00

CHIPS, BISCUIT, FRUIT

SNACK.....\$1. 00

SNACKS WILL ALSO BE ON SALE AFTER SCHOOL!

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RBC

Beneficiary's Account Number (057151293117)

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Mrs. King 544-1658 OR Mrs. Seymour 427-1532

*****GET A FREE LUNCH WHEN PAY FOR THE

SICKNESS PROTOCOLS

To maintain a happy and safe working environment for students and staff. We ask that sick children remain at home. This includes days when there may be examinations taking place. These can be made up at a later date when the child can perform to the best of their ability.

We ask that children with the following symptoms remain at home:

- Fever
- Cough
- Vomiting and diarrhea
- Body aches
- Headaches, non-related to sinus congestion with thick mucus

A child who comes to school sick or who develops symptoms of illness during the school day will be seated safely outside the classroom, and a parent or guardian will be called to collect the child.

Additionally, please be reminded that children must not come to school with medication in their bags.

If a medication is required, it must be prescribed by the child's physician and have a pharmacy label with the name and the dosage written on it. This includes over-the-counter medications.

Feel free to send an email to our school nurse: latoya.boodle@cec.edu.bs

Winter Dress Code
No Jackets/ Hoodies Allowed!



OUR FACEBOOK PAGE & SCHOOL WEBSITE



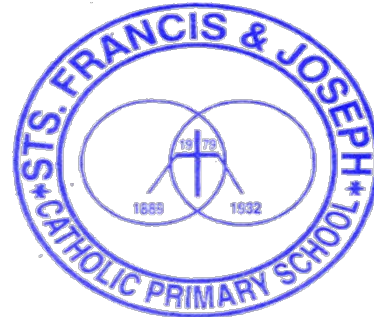
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Please visit our school's website for the latest news and announcements.

<http://sfj.cec.edu.bs/>



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