BSS NEWSLETTER	NEW VIRTUS BULLETIN
Wednesday, January 6, 2021	THIS WEEK!
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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?	WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?
Thursday:	Confetti Pancakes, Sausage Links, Smile Fries, Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk
7	F Pizza Crunchers, Marinara Sauce, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk
Friday: 8:15 - 9:15 - mass (1, 2)	Chicken Tenders, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Diced Peaches, Frozen Sidekick, Fresh Fruit, Milk
Monday:	T Beef Taco with Queso, Salsa, Sour Cream, Corn, Black Beans, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk
11	Chicken Drumstick with Dinner Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk
Tuesday:	Th Baked Ziti with Breadstick, Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk
12	French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Salsa, Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk
Wednesday: 8:15 - 9:15 - mass (KA, 7, 8)	
13	2020-2021 SCHOOL THEME
Thursday:	Rooted in Christ,
14	Bloom Where You are Planted We have focused on identity (SHAPE) and vocation. This year we will focus on living out
Friday: 8:15 - 9:15 - mass (KB, 3, 4)	that unique vocation, or purpose that God has given each of us - our mission.
15	We will explore how God reveals both himself and our life's mission through experience.

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Dear Parents,

It feels great to see students in our classrooms and hallways and hear their happy voices from the playground once again. The return to in-person instruction has brought, and will continue to bring, unique challenges for us to overcome, but, together with everyone's sustained effort, we can stay in-person and have a successful remainder of the school year!

Read on for some updates:

- A) Updated Diocesan Travel Policy
 - a. Going forward, for the time being, any leisure travel outside of the home area (roughly the 275 loop) will necessitate a mandatory quarantine upon return. <u>The Kentucky Health Department is currently advising against all leisure travel at this time</u>. Please contact the office if you travel outside of this home area and need to quarantine as a result so we can keep our records up-to-date.
- B) School Lunch Program
 - a. The school lunch program will continue to offer complementary meals to all students through the end of the school year. Students will continue to submit their order through their teacher in the morning and go through the lunch line at lunch time. Please note that this only includes complementary meals and that individual drinks or a-la-carte items will still need to be charged. You will only need to load money to your student's school lunch account if they plan to purchase those individual drinks or a-la-carte items.
- C) Updated COVID Reporting
 - a. As a reminder of our reporting protocols, if your student is a close contact, you will receive a specific e-mail along with details stating that information. If there was a positive case of a student in your child's grade-level, but your child was not a close contact, you will also receive an e-mail stating that. If there was a positive case of a student in another grade-level, you will be included on a whole-school e-mail stating that. Quarantined students (travel, close contact, exposure, etc.) will be reported here in the newsletter.
 - b. Currently, 30 students are quarantined. One student is quarantined because of a positive test. The remainder are quarantined because of travel or as a close contact.
 - c. The continued success of in-person instruction is contingent upon on everyone's diligence. Please be aware of your activities outside of school, especially when it comes to social events and sports.

D) Registration

a. Registration for the 2021 – 2022 school year will open on Sunday, January 31st. If you know of any families looking to learn more about our school, please put them in contact with us directly. You all are by far the most effective from of advertising that we have. We appreciate any recommendations and referrals! Thank you.

E) Circle Song

- a. Even though it looks a little different this year, we are thrilled to be able to share the BSS Circle Song with all of you! Each and every one of you are a part of our circle and we are glad that we were able to capture this unique version of this special song to share with everyone!
- b. Blessed Sacrament Circle Song COVID Edition
- F) Other Reminders
 - a. Continue to conduct daily health screenings at home before sending students to school, including checking temperatures. b. Ensure your children's masks fit appropriately (fully cover the nose and mouth with minimal gaps and stay in place when
 - speaking). Please also pack extras in their backpack. We do have disposable masks at school for when students forget, but we are going through that supply very quickly due to some students using them on a regular basis.
 - c. Continue to communicate with the school office concerning exposure, travel, and symptoms.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support as we navigate these circumstances.

Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman



Thumbs Up!



Anthony, a BSS 7th grader, won 2nd place in the state-wide Radon Poster Contest sponsored by the Kentucky Health Department.

He will be awarded a \$200 gift card for his winning artwork and will be honored via a Zoom ceremony in January.

Well done Anthony-we're so proud of you!





We are blessed with the generous support of our dedicated parents, grandparents, parishioners, and friends of Blessed Sacrament School. Because of your donations to the Annual Giving Campaign, we have been able to consistently increase the security of our church and school, partially fund the salaries of staff specialists, fund multiple building upgrades, put new technology into the hands of our students and teachers, and more.

The dollars generated by this campaign do not disappear into the ether; they go directly back into the school to improve it within the next year.

TODAY'S DONATIONS ARE HELPING SHAPE TOMORROW'S LEADERS



Did you know that you can raise money for BSS when shopping for groceries or on Amazon?



Simply click on the Community Rewards tab on the BSS website and learn how to sign up for Amazon Smile, Remke and Kroger community rewards, as well as information on Box Tops and Coke Rewards!



\$150 Value - Just \$10! Activate your Buddy Card at mybuddycard.com

14 offers on each Buddy Card "Buy any Large Pizza, get a Large Cheese Pizza FREE"

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Buddy Card order form (pay by cash or check made out to BSS Parent Club) Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to order Buddy Cards online

All proceeds benefit BSS Parent Club

(offers valid for Dine In or Carry Out only and expire one year from activation)

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE FOR BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL'S 28th ANNUAL reasure vening to RACE TO THE FINISH VIRTUAL EVENT FEBRUARY 27, 2021, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm EMCEE - BIG DAVE FROM B-105 Follow us at www.facebook.com/2021E2T.



Please mark your calendar for our next Spirit Night! CityBird Tenders (Crestview Hills) January 25, 2021

Detailed information coming soon!







A FEW REMINDERS...

- Delease remember to keep extra masks in backpacks
- Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes, and continue to encourage effective hand washing habits
- The most current school-related COVID-19 information can be found <u>HERE</u>
- Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found <u>HERE</u> in the handbook (see page 28)
- Please make sure that snacks and lunches are peanut-free. A list of safe options can be found <u>HERE</u>, but please check labels as there may be other items that are not included on this list.
- During the colder months, please make sure that your child is bringing a coat, hat, gloves, etc. as we will be going outside for recess/breaks whenever possible.
- □ Your children are **AWESOME** and we are **SO HAPPY** that they are here!

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO EVERY DAY - WE APPRECIATE YOU!

If you have a great idea to share, feedback on an event, questions on upcoming events, or want more information on how to get involved please contact the BSS Parents Club at <u>parentsclub@bssky.org</u>.

If you would like to submit an article or flyer to our weekly newsletter, please send information to Annie Ernst at annernst@bssky.org. **All information MUST be submitted by 12:00 pm on Monday to be printed in that week's newsletter.** (Submissions made after the deadline will run in the following week's newsletter.)

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