BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, September 23, 2020

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday: **24**

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CALENDAR

SPIRITWEAR DAY! Student Council Executive Board elections (grades 6-8)

Friday: **25**

8:15 - 9:15: Mass - KB, 3, 4

Monday:

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Tuesday:

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Wednesday: 8:15 - 9:15: Mass - KA, 7, 8

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Thursday: SPIRITWEAR DAY!



Friday:

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8:15 - 9:15: Mass - 1, 2

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?	
'n	3 or 4 Way Chili Spaghetti, Kidney Beans, Onions Shredded Cheese, Oyster Crackers, Glazed Carrots, Veggie Boat, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Milk
F	Cheese Bites with Marinara Sauce, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Milk
M	Chicken OR Cheese Quesadilla, Salsa, Sour Cream, Refried Beans, Corn, Frozen Sidekick, Diced Peaches, Milk
Г	Hot Dog OR Cheese Coney, Roasted Potatoes, Onions, Shredded Cheese, Carrots/Celery with Dip, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk
W	Sliced Turkey with Gravy, Dinner Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk
'n	OCTOBER MENU COMING SOON!
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2020-2021 SCHOOL THEME

Rooted in Christ, Bloom Where You are Planted

We have focused on identity (SHAPE) and vocation. This year we will focus on living out that unique vocation, or purpose that God has given each of us - our mission.

We will explore how God reveals both himself and our life's mission through experience.

Dear Parents,

Please read the entirety of this message, as it contains important updates.

- Bus service is set to resume on Monday. Please note that two of the bus numbers have changed (#000 is now #194, and #81 is now #139). The routes and times for the busses are attached <u>HERE</u>. <u>Page 34 of this document on Kenton County's</u> website details the protocols that will be in place for bussing. If you are a family utilizing bus service, please read those protocols closely. Note that seats on busses will be assigned, masks will be mandatory, and <u>no bus passes will be allowed</u> unless a student is simply getting off at a different stop on their regularly scheduled bus.
- 2. This also means that our morning and afternoon car line procedures will be adjusted slightly to accommodate bussing. <u>Please see this document for details</u>. Note that <u>the church driveway will no longer be usable for cars during morning drop</u> <u>off</u>. That driveway needs to be kept clear for the busses at all times. Please only utilize the main car line as instructed in the document. The afternoon car line will end sooner since there will not be as many cars to accommodate. Our car line currently ends at about 2:25 in the afternoon, but, going forward, it will end around 2:15. Please ensure you arrive by 2:15 to pick up your students.
- 3. At this point, our whole school community has received a COVID-19 notification. We want to be clear on which notifications you will receive and when. If a student is diagnosed with COVID and forced to quarantine, the grade-level and bus (if applicable) of the student will receive a specific notification indicating that the case is in their grade/on their bus. Also, if a student is diagnosed with COVID and forced to quarantine, the whole school will receive a general notification letting them know that we have a positive case in a student. If a residential household/family member is diagnosed or symptomatic which forces a student to quarantine but our students are not ill, the grade-level/bus will get a notification. We believe this is a fair balance between respecting the privacy of our families while also keeping the community informed. Please know that no other information than what is in the notification can be shared. This policy exists in order to avoid unnecessary judgement, speculation, and rumor surrounding situations that are being handled appropriately. Thank you for your help.
- 4. Lastly, we want to re-iterate our open line of communication as an administration. We occasionally catch wind of social media posts, rumors, and other unnecessary chatter. These types of things are detrimental to our community during a time when we need to be more united and stronger than ever. If you have questions or concerns, consider bringing them to the school. Together, we can work on a more productive course of action than discussing issues elsewhere. Thank you for your help.

We also want to share a few things that we are thankful for as we move through week six of in-person instruction; we are thankful for our teachers, who have re-imagined what in-person schooling looks like for the benefit and safety of our students, often at the sacrifice of their own free time. We are thankful for our health and that the protocols and procedures we have put in place are working. We are thankful for the diligence of our community in adhering to the protocols. Our COVID prevention measures would be in vain if it weren't for the efforts of each individual family. We are so thankful for the opportunity to continue to bloom, and help our students bloom, right where they are planted at BSS!

Have a great rest of the week.

Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman



Thumbs Up!

The BSS faculty and staff would like to give a BIG Thumbs Up to the Zimmer family for sending an awesome lunch from Jersey Mike's for all of us last Thursday!



When it comes to school families, we are BLESSED with the BEST!





QUICK RECALL TRYOUTS FOR 4th-8th GRADE STUDENTS

Tryouts for 4th - 8th grade Quick Recall Teams will be held Monday, September 21, 2:30 - 3:15 Wednesday, September 23, 2:30 - 3:15

> Practices will be held after school on Thursdays October 1 - November 19, 2:30 - 3:15

Please click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to print a permission form.



Holy Family Elementary School (<u>www.holyfamilycovington.org</u>) has an immediate need for a <u>full-time manager</u>. This is a five hours a day, five days a week position during the school year. Primary responsibilities involve preparing and serving daily breakfast and lunch, and overall supervision of the school's meals program. Other responsibilities include ordering, receiving, and managing inventory; operating a point-of-sale system; and interacting with school staff, students, and their parents.

Holy Cross School (<u>www.holycrosselem.com</u>) has an immediate need for a <u>full-time cook</u>. This is a six hour a day, five days a week position during the school year. Responsibilities include food preparation, and may include serving line, cashier, and cleanup, among other duties.

If you are interested in any of these openings, contact Jackie Kaiser at <u>jkaiser@covdio.org</u>, or call her at 859/392-1536.

Mational Day of Prayer

Our parish is participating in the National Day of Prayer and Fasting, **September 24th**, for God's mercy on our nation and for the healing and conversion of hearts.

We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in church from 3:00 to 7:30 p.m. We will begin with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 and close with the Rosary at 7:00, followed by Benediction.

Please plan to spend some time in solidarity with Catholics across the nation as we pray and fast on September 24th.



Executive Board Elections are THIS THURSDAY!!!

All candidate speeches will be played for grades 6-8 homerooms on Thursday, September 24, followed by student voting!

Best of luck to all of our candidates!

HAUNT YOUR LIBRARY WRITING CONTEST!

FOR FIRST THROUGH 12TH GRADE SEPTEMBER 14-OCTOBER 18, 2020

Enter an original poem or tale in the Kenton County Public Library's 18th annual spooky writing contest. Deadline for entries is October 18. Limit of 700 words. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded in late October. Submit entries to the Covington Children's Department or email a Word document to writingcontest@kentonlibrary.org. Entries must include child's name, age, address, phone, email address, school and grade level.

Questions? Call 859-962-4000.

Visit library locations in Covington, Erlanger and Independence and online at kentonlibrary.org









A FEW REMINDERS...

- D Please 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.
- □ We know that you're all doing your best!
- □ 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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