BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, October 18, 2023











WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday:

STUCO OUT OF UNIFORM DAY (with \$1 donation)

- all proceeds benefit Catholic Relief Services for victims of the recent natural disasters (no change... dollars only)

2:45-3:45 - ISM Mozart Strings (Parish Center)

2:00-3:30 - Student Council Meeting (STEM Lab)

2:15-3:15 - 6-8 Quick Recall Practice (6th-6C, Jr. High-8C)

Friday: Fifth Grade Big Bone Lick State Park Field Trip

8:15 - mass (grades k-4)

Monday: Parent/Teacher Conferences CLICK TO SIGN UP

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Tuesday: Parent/Teacher Conferences

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2:15-3:30 - Children's Choir Rehearsal (Church)

2:30-3:30 - ISM Guitar Lessons (Music Room)

Wednesday: Parent/Teacher Conferences CLICK TO SIGN UP

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8:15 - All-School Mass (no preschool)

2:15-3:15 - Elementary Quick Recall Practice (4B)

Thursday:

EARLY DISMISSAL AT 11:00!

Parent/Teacher Conferences

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2:45-3:45 - ISM Mozart Strings (*Parish Center*)

Friday: No school!

REMINDER: TRUNK OR TREAT THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29!



WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Sausage, Egg & Cheese, Biscuit, Syrup Cup, Smile Fries, Veggie Boats & Dip, Pears, Fresh Fruit, Juice, Milk

Grilled Cheese OR Bosco Stick, Tomato Soup, Marinara Sauce, Garden Salads, Pickle Spears, Oyster Crackers, Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Juice, Milk

Cheese Pizza OR Pepperoni Pizza, Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salads, Peaches, Sidekicks, Juice, Milk

Turkey & Gravy OR Chicken Drumstick, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Pineapple, Fresh Fruit, Chocolate Brownie, Cookie, Juice, Milk

Nachos OR Soft Taco, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Salsa, Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream, Black Beans, Corn, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Juice, Milk

NO LUNCH - EARLY DISMISSAL

NO SCHOOL

2023-2024 SCHOOL THEME

We Believe

We believe in God, the Father...

We believe in Jesus Christ...

We believe in the Holy Spirit...

We believe God is good, all the time!

A Note From Your Administration

Dear Families and Friends,

Thank you for sending in the grandpersons in force! What a wonderful day for our students, our faculty, and our parish! Thank you to our good God for the beautiful weather! One of the grandparents said, "This was better than Christmas." Thank you to our Grandparents Day committee for all of their hard work, and all those who pitched in to make it so much fun. We plan on having Grandparents Day again next year.

Our Book Fair also was a big hit last week! Each teacher was able to spend about \$90 on books for their class!

As fall is really upon us, I want to remind you to go shopping for uniform pants. Students have a funny way of growing out of their pants from last year, and starting in November, they can no longer wear shorts. Solid leggings that are black, gray, or navy (no sweats, warm-ups, or flared legs) may be worn in the winter months under skirts.

Student Council Out of Uniform Day tomorrow for \$1. The collection will be donated to Catholic Relief Services, an organization that helps with disaster relief around the world.

I look forward to seeing you next week for Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Cheerfully in Christ,

Mrs. Aideen Briggs Principal, Blessed Sacrament School

"Be you writer or reader, it is very pleasant to run away in a book." – Jean Craighead George, My Side of the Mountain

Did You Know...

... that Ladies Fall Event is set for Friday, November 3rd? I hope you have your cowboy boots ready to go, and are ready to do some line dancing! More information is below in the newsletter. Let's Go Girls!

PARENT-TEACHER
CONFERENCE SIGN-UPS

Thumbs Up!



The 8th grade rec volleyball team (6 8th graders and 2 7th graders) wrapped up their regular season tonight with a big win! We also celebrated our 8th graders before the game. Wish them luck in their tournament next week! Go Eagles!



Beautiful example of good sportsmanship! 8th grade Blessed Sacrament Volleyball with 8th Grade St. Joe's Volleyball; they wanted a picture together after their match.

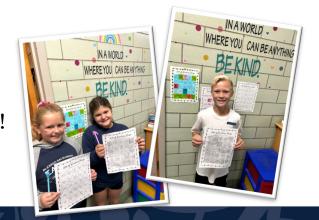


The xc team did an outstanding job at State this weekend earning a whopping 25 medals and setting over a dozen personal records. Our 4th & Under girls took home 10 of the 50 medals for their race.

Extra special congratulations to John N and William S for each placing 5th in their races, Emma S for placing 7th, and Adam E for placing 11th. We're beyond proud!!



THUMBS UP/ for our third grade Kindness Challenge!



Quick Recall

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FOR BEING SELECTED TO THE BSS ELEMENTARY QUICK RECALL TEAM!

Dylan Trabel Anna Fedders

Emma Bauer Harper Donaho

Emma Jehn Emily Reedy

Gianna Valpreda John Farrell

Ben Lamb James Robinson

Emmett Suetholz Arden Burns

Olivia Smith Stella Zerhusen

Lian Abdrabbo Hudson Berry



Thank you to all of the students who tried out for the elementary Quick Recall team this year.

We are proud of you for trying something new!

Parents' Club News



LADIES FALL EVENT FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3RD 6PM-11PM AT BS UNDERCROFT

Cash Grand Raffle, Raffle Baskets & Games.

Pre-Sale Tickets \$45 - click link to purchase!

https://checkout.square.site/buy/OSBGLHCFAPCRSRM7ZDN2CUWV

Includes Heavy Appetizers, Beer, Wine & Seltzers



Grand Raffle tickets are out!

The Grade Level that sells the most tickets will be rewarded with a PIZZA PARTY!!!

Please mark grade levels on envelope when



Link for LFE Spirit Shop: http://www.bssky.shop

returning them to school!

Upcoming SPIRIT NIGHTS

November 4/5th

Peace, Love, & Little Donuts (Edgewood & Florence Locations)

MONEY RAISED:

Skyline \$103.75

Putt-Putt \$200

Chipotle \$355.10

Cici's \$45

TOTAL: \$703.85

A HUGE THANK YOU to all of the amazing volunteers who helped make Grandparent's Day a fantastic day!

Larosa's Buddy Cards BOGO Large Cheese Pizzas \$10

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Upcoming Parent Club Sponsored Events:

October 23rd: Conference Week Treats for Teachers
October 31st: Halloween Class Parties (PK 8-8:30 AM, K-4 1:15-2 PM 5-8 1:30-2PM)

November 3rd: Ladies Fall Event in the Undercroft 6-11 PM

November 10th: Veteran's Day Reception - Coffee & Donuts following Mass (Parish Center)



BSS presents...

Peter Pan Jr. April 19th and 20th, 2024

Calling All 6th-8th Grade Students

November 10th (Fri.)- "Watch Party" (2:15-3:30) Music room

November 16th (Thur.)- Auditions (2:15-3:30) Music room

November 17th (Fri.)- Call Backs (2:15-3:30) Music room

November 21st (Tues.)- Casting Posted (end of day/music room)

November 27th (Mon.)- Accept Role and Cast Read Through (Students must sign a contract for the rules/responsibilities of being in the musical, and "The Books" will be distributed.)

Rehearsals: Mon. & Thur. (2:15-3:30/4), Starting week of Jan. 8th

Tech Week: April 15th-18th. (2:15 - 5 pm)

School Performances: April 19th 9 AM (5th-8th) 12:45 (K-4)

Shows: Fri.-April 19th 7 PM & Sat.- April 20th 2 PM and 7 PM



An Invitation to The Fatima Program

This program began in 1993 at Blessed Sacrament School. We hope that you will keep it going for many more years to come. Our Fatima Program teaches families to pray together the beautiful and powerful prayer of the Rosary.

Included in this package is a beautiful 21" statue of Our Lady of Fatima, a DVD of the story about Fatima, and Rosaries with a CD recording of praying the Rosary. The CD can be prayed in the car on the way to/from school, on the way to/from sports practices and in your home to pray for those people who need your prayers - the sick and deceased in your family, the soldiers and their families, family and friends, and especially your own intentions.

IMPORTANT: You can learn about the Fatima story through one of 2 DVDs, (1) The Day the Sun Danced, a cartoon video for all ages, and (2) The 13th Day, for grades 5-8. The cartoon video is a very wonderful video for all ages to watch and to learn about what our Blessed Mother is asking of us, even now in our time. The 13th Day is a black and white video that has color when the Blessed Virgin appears. It also is very powerful in showing the three children's strength throughout this time. A great website for explaining any part of the video is: www.americaneedsfatima.com. Click on "Our Lady of

Fatima" to the right of "Home" on the bar. It explains each apparition, what was said, what Our Lady of Fatima asked of the children, what the children saw, heard, and a lot more. It is very helpful and can easily be understood.

All items in this package are marked whether to keep or to return with the package, as well as a note reminding you when to return it to school. Please, it is important to return the package on time for the next family's visit.

Also, this program is for everyone in your family. The package is delivered to the classroom and the child brings it home. It starts on Tuesday and is kept for a week, bringing it back on the next Tuesday. You may have numerous turns throughout the school year. You can assign anyone's name in your family-grandparents, high school brothers and sisters, etc., but it comes to you through school. I will assign a date for you and send that date back to you through school or email, for you to OK or change. If you would like a specific date, birthday, Easter or Christmas break, your own May crowing in May, or any 13th of the month in honor of Our Lady's apparitions on the 13th of the 6 months of her apparitions even in October (Oct. 7th is the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary), just write the date anywhere on the form below, or send an email to me anytime.

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Ladies Fall Event 2023 Sponsors

Dear Friends and Families of BSS,

Blessed Sacrament School, with approximately 500 students and over 300 families, has a huge impact in our area. To better ensure the total education of our children, the Blessed Sacrament Parent Club partakes in several fundraising efforts throughout the school year. These efforts support our teachers through professional development, which provides numerous academic enhancements for our students, and endows programs such as Catholic Schools Week and Teacher Appreciation Week.

Our signature fundraiser, Ladies Fall Event, will take place Friday, November 3, 2023. This is our largest Parents Club event throughout the school year, contributing over 25% of our income. Typically, we raise over \$10,000 for our school through this event. We are looking for sponsors to help defray event costs. Your contribution will be acknowledged in several ways in appreciation for your support. It is important to us that our sponsors are adequately recognized through multiple modalities so our community can see

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would like to contribute to this year's LFE.

Cash/Check donation of \$_____
 Or by providing a gift certificate(s) in the amount of \$_____

Questions or Commitments can be sent to showstopperstalent1@gmail.com) or (859)466-9645 Kindly, Your LFE Co-Chairs: Casey Lee, Katrina Holtmeier & Kayla Steltenkamp

Blessed Sacrament School (BSS) is tax exempt organization. Our tax-exempt number is F-8846 and our Federal Tax ID # is 61-118-7269. Checks can be made payable to BSS Parent's Club.

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HALLOWEEN: HOLLOW OR HALLOWED - CONTINUED

Like Christmas and Easter, many of Halloween's customs have roots in ancient pagan rituals that became "Christianized" or re-formed into something sacred over time.

In the Celtic lands (mostly what we call the British Isles today), a minor holiday called Samhain (pronounced Sah-WHEN) was observed every October 31st. Samhain means "end of summer." As the days grew shorter, the Celts believed the god of the dead battled with the sun god. As the portal between life and death opened, spirits walked the earth. People put candles out to guide the good spirits, and they wore hideous masks to scare away the bad ones. They gathered around bone-fires (using bones of dead animals as fuel), hoping the bright light would scare away evil.

When the islands were Christianized, Samhain became a time of harvest celebration. Some revelers poked fun at the old ways with playful pranks and tricks, scaring one another, but not too much.

On the European continent, the plagues of the 14th and 15th centuries made masses for the dead a daily occurrence in most churches. Artists in France began depicting the "dance macabre" or dance of death on the church walls, in paintings, and sculptures. Walls of cemeteries and churches abounded with depictions of demons and the grim reaper leading popes and kings, peasants and monks into the tombs. Many of these renderings still exist, and they look like many of our neighborhoods on Halloween night! Sometimes the "Dance" was reenacted in costume on All Souls Day as a morality play designed to instruct the illiterate masses in the need for repentance.

Next week, we will see how all these customs became our uniquely-American Halloween.

Blessed Sacrament Church BECOMING STEWARDS IN COMMUNITY

Quick Links

VIRTUS TRAINING

ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE

COFFEE AND DONUTS SIGNUPS

2023-2024 MUSIC SHARE DAYS

STUCO TRUNK OR TREAT

ST. E MAMMOGRAM VAN AT BSS

ECYD FATHER-SON CAMP

LADIES FALL EVENT HELP NEEDED

BSS SKI CLUB INFO

WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT

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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