

JANUARY 25, 2017

St. Bede Catholic School

Family Newsletter



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
Communities of Faith,
Knowledge and Service



Principals' Message

We are happy to celebrate the gift of Catholic education at St. Bede. **Please watch this new video that can be found on our school website that highlights what makes St. Bede Catholic School so special.**

<http://mystbede.org/>

We strive to live the theme of the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) in a variety of ways:

Community

- Hosting a sold out **400 person Crab Feed** for our parish

Faith

- Encouraging students to write their own prayers that are shared at morning assembly

Knowledge

- Planning a **school-wide Problem of the Month for Math**

Service

- Making **fleece blankets in faith families for Rooms of Hope**

Please invite your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers and parishioners to our upcoming events:

Sun, 1/29-Catholic Schools Week Mass and Open House until 1:00 PM

Wed, 2/1-Financial Aid Meeting for Interested & Current School Families

Sat, 2/11-Kindergarten Testing

Families that bring an interested family to any of these events will be given a one-time incentive of \$25 OFF their FUNDRAISING OBLIGATION or one month of FREE SCHOOL HOT LUNCH for one child.

Calendar Updates

Thurs, 1/26	4:00-5:30 PM Science Fair Open House
Sat, 1/28	9:00 AM-12:00 PM Beautification Day
Sun, 1/29	10:30 AM-CSW Mass 12:00-1:00 PM-Open House
Wed, 2/1	11:00 AM-Someone Special Mass & Luncheon 6:30 PM-Financial Aid Mtg
Fri, 2/3	12:00 PM Dismissal
Fri, 2/8	6:30 PM-Mandatory PTG Meeting on Technology
Fri, 2/10	Kinder Application Due 6:00-9:00 PM Movie Night
Sat, 2/11	8:30 AM-Kinder Testing
Wed, 1/25	Chocolate Chip Cookies
Thurs, 1/26	Extended Care Collage
Fri, 1/27	BINGO
Mon, 1/30	Catholic School Drawings

Hornet's Nest Activities

School Mission

We are committed to handing on the Catholic faith.

Sharing Input for Our Crab Feed

Thank you to the 9 families that have completed the Crab Feed Survey. *We still want feedback from our remaining 179 families.* Your input is essential for our Crab Feed Committee to determine our plans for next year and beyond. *Please complete the survey below by Fri, Jan. 27th so we can make some decisions for next year.* <https://goo.gl/forms/h4XRrcyi08FUZwAU2>

We appreciate your valuable feedback.



Beautifying Our School Grounds

Would you like to help beautify our school in preparation for Open House? Please join us for our first School Beautification Day of the new year on **Sat, Jan. 28th from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM.** We will clean our school grounds as we prepare to welcome alumni, current families, parishioners, interested guests and supporters of St. Bede to our annual Open House. All volunteers will earn parent service hours for helping with this beautification day.

Bringing Donuts to Open House

Our Open House is an opportunity for our entire parish community to celebrate the gift of Catholic education at our school. *Each family is asked to bring 1 dozen donuts on Sun, Jan. 29th before the 10:30 AM Mass* to share with our parishioners, interested families, guests and school community. The donuts can be dropped off at our school office so our PTG Board can prepare our refreshments for Open House. Thank you so much for your generosity.



Enjoying a Fun-Filled Night of Pizza, Games, Popcorn, and a Movie

Would you like to drop off your children at our school so that you, as parents, can enjoy a night out? Our PTG is proud to host a *Movie Night Parents Night Out on Fri, Feb. 10th from 6:00-9:00 PM for our St. Bede TK-8th grade students.* The St. Bede students are welcome to bring their sleeping bags, pillows, stuffed animals and pajamas or any other comfortable clothing for this fun-filled evening of dinner, games, popcorn and the inspirational Disney movie, *McFarland USA*. We have chosen this movie because we are fortunate that Coach White, the main character of the movie, will be visiting our school in March to share life lessons with all of our students. A flyer was sent home last week our Family Envelope with more information. In addition, if you have any high school alums who need service hours, they are welcome to help with this evening event. Interested alums who would like to volunteer may contact Mrs. Barton at sbarton@cndo.org or Mrs. Pierre-Antoine at jpierreantoinc@cndo.org.



NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

January 29 – February 4, 2017

Catholic Schools Week is a very special time in our year when Catholic schools throughout our nation celebrate our *Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service that focus on faith development, academic excellence and dedication to outreach*. We have several exciting events planned to honor and appreciate who we are as a Catholic school.

- Sun, 1/29** **Faith, Knowledge and Service in Our Parish**
- 10:30 AM Mass (Please be sure to wear your uniform to show school spirit and pride.)
 - Open House until 1:00 PM
- Mon, 1/30** **Faith, Knowledge and Service in Our Community**
- 12:45-1:45 PM-Make Fleece Blankets in Faith Families for *Rooms for Hope* in San Ramon dedicated to helping “very brave children battling very serious medical illnesses” <http://www.roomsofhope.org/>
 - 1:45 PM-Faith Family Feud
 - 2:30 PM-January Birthday Celebration
- Tues, 1/31** **Faith, Knowledge and Service in Our Alumni**
- 9:00-10:30 AM-Alumni Presentations
 - 10:30 AM-Reception with Alumni
- Wed, 2/1** **Faith, Knowledge and Service in Our Families**
- 10:00 AM-Open Parish Center (for people to save their places for lunch)
 - 10:30 AM-Someone Specials pick up their students (at their class lines)
 - 11:00 AM-School Liturgy (Students will sit with their Someone Special at Mass and then go straight to lunch.)
 - 12:00 PM-Lunch with Someone Special in Parish Center
- Thurs, 2/2** **Faith, Knowledge and Service in Our Students**
- Student Appreciation Day (Free Dress for Students)
 - Buddy Grade Activity
- Fri, 2/3** **Faith, Knowledge and Service in Our Faculty and Staff**
- Staff Appreciation Day (Free Dress for Faculty and Staff)
 - 10:20-11:00 AM-Teacher for the Day
 - 11:00 AM-Staff Appreciation Luncheon
 - 12:00 PM-Dismissal