OCTOBER 5, 2016

St. Bede Catholic School

Family Newsletter



Principals' Message

Always be grateful for the days that the Lord gives you.

-Blessed Mother Marie-Rose Durocher

We were fortunate that our school was established by the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary. *October 6th* is the feast day of the Foundress of the Holy Names Sisters, *Blessed Mother Marie-Rose Durocher*. A unique fact about our foundress is that her birth, Baptism and Resurrection day all occurred on October 6th. Our students will be learning more about Blessed Mother Marie-Rose and our Holy Names roots this week. They will be watching the video entitled, "*Fire Upon the Earth-The Legacy of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary.*" You are welcome to learn more our foundress and the Holy Names Sisters through the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tT8oZ0JxTWk.

The Holy Names Sisters also have a deep love and appreciation for the arts. Last Friday, Mrs. Barton's art lesson focused on artwork on the life of Mother Marie-Rose and artwork created by Holy Names Sisters. Our students will creating art pieces based on the life of our foundress using the techniques taught on Friday. We will showcase our students' artwork at our upcoming Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences that are scheduled for *Thurs, Oct. 20th and Fri, Oct. 21st.*





Calendar Updates

Foundress Day

Thurs. 10/6

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Fri, 10/7	Mid-Trimester Ends
Mon, 10/10	Columbus Day Holiday (No School)
Wed, 10/12	Emergency Preparedness Drill(12:00 PM Dismissal) No PM Extended Care
Wed, 10/19	Picture Retakes
Thurs, 10/20	12:00 PM Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences
Fri, 10/21	No School Parent-Teacher Conferences

Hornet's Nest Activities

Thurs,10/6	Cooking Quesadillas
Fri, 10/7	Movie & Popcorn
Tues, 10/11	Fall Art

School Mission

No PM Extended Care

Wed, 10/12

We are committed to handing on the Catholic faith.

Dining with Family at Panera

Enjoy a night out with your family and friends, and help raise money for our school. Our next dining opportunity will take place *Thurs, Oct. 6th* from *4-8 PM* at *Panera in Hayward* next to Southland Mall. Please hand in a flyer or an electronic version upon purchase.



Preparing for Our Jog-a-Thon

It's time for our annual Jog-a-Thon that is scheduled for Fri, Oct. 28th from 10 AM-12 PM. Students are invited to wear green or gold t-shirts to show their Hornet pride, along with running shoes, a hat, and sunscreen. Through our student surveys we decided that the lunch served will be chicken nuggets, fruit and ice cream/popsicles. Families can donate \$25 for each parent service hour or items listed in the Jog-a-Thon attachment by Fri, Oct. 14th. Please see the attached list. Volunteers are welcome to help at this fun-filled event through Sign-Up Genius. Thank you for supporting this important fundraiser that helps to keep our tuition costs affordable.





Scheduling Parent Conferences

Our conferences will take place on Oct. 20th-21st when progress reports are distributed. During this time parents and teachers have an opportunity to share the student's strengths and areas where additional support is needed for the second half of the trimester. In grades 4-8, students will be asked to attend the conference so they can share about their learning and identify how their parents and teacher can assist them. Please note that there is one half day of conferences on Thurs, Oct. 20th and one full day of conferences on Fri. Oct. 21st. Teachers will provide parents with conference schedule information.



Celebrating Halloween Together

As we prepare for one of our most festive holidays, please remember the importance of dressing your children in modest costumes that are appropriate for school. Please refrain from bloody, violent or scary costumes and leave any "weapon" accessories at home. Please be sure that girls' costumes are in good taste. We will have our school parade in the Parish Center following morning prayer. Class birthday parties will be held outdoors (weather permitting) from 11:15-11:45 AM.

Important Reminders

Preparing for an Emergency

On *Wed*, *Oct. 12th*, we will conduct our yearly Emergency Evacuation Drill. We will assign staff members various roles, evacuate all children from the school building, and implement a process for students to be picked up from school. Pick-up will take place at the softball field where students will be lined up in alphabetical order according to the oldest sibling. Students will only be released to adults *listed on the emergency form*. Everyone must present a valid I.D. in order for the student(s) to be released from the school. *Please be sure to update your* emergency contact information and arrange for your child(ren) to be picked up at 12:00 PM. There will be NO afternoon Extended Care on Oct. 12th so that we can practice what would take place in a real emergency. Thank you for your active support in ensuring that our school community is safe and prepared for an emergency.







Having a Blast at Our Crab Feed

Back by popular demand, it's our annual Crab Feed hosted by CYO, GAP and our parish school on Sat, Jan 7th at 5:30 PM. Tickets can be purchased for \$50 using our school order form. This meal includes allyou-can-eat bread, salad, pasta, and crab. There is also a 20 oz. steak option if you are interested. In addition, we will have raffle prizes, dessert auction, a variety of beverages, photo area and plenty of dancing. This is an adult only event since alcohol will be served. Please remember that our Enrollment Contract states, "Each family is required to purchase or sell one Crab Feed ticket for Sat, Jan. 7th." Families that do not purchase or sell one \$50 ticket by Mon, Oct. 31st will be invoiced in November for this mandatory commitment. Last year 400 people attended this sold out event so purchase your tickets today!