

OCTOBER 12, 2016

St. Bede Catholic School

Family Newsletter



Principals' Message

On Thursday, Oct. 6th, the St. Bede students celebrated Foundress Day. Sister Linda, a Holy Names Sister, visited each classroom to share about her life as a sister, as well as the life of Mother Marie Rose. The students also created artwork based on the life of Mother Marie-Rose. It was a day that the students enjoyed for many reasons. Here are some of the things that they liked about Foundress Day:

- *We learned a lot about the Holy Names Sisters. ~ Elijah, 6th grade*
- *I liked her story about how she became a sister. ~ Anella, 7th grade*
- *Sister Linda has been a sister for over 50 years! ~ Kaili, 6th grade*
- *I liked when she showed a picture of what the sisters used to wear. ~ Donelle, 2nd grade*
- *People were scared of them when they wore their uniforms. ~ Bella, 3rd grade*
- *She told us the sisters help people who are sick. ~ Estefano, 3rd grade*
- *We made the tissue paper art. ~ Lana, 7th grade*
- *I liked when we did portraits of Mother Marie-Rose. ~ Kanon, 2nd grade*

We are blessed to be part of a school that was founded by the Sisters of the Holy Names. Our students can benefit from learning about the sisters' commitment to education, the arts, and helping those who are less fortunate. The students' artwork will be displayed throughout the halls during our Parent-Student-Teacher conferences. Please take some time to view the art pieces as you walk through the school.



Calendar Updates

- 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
- Mon, 10/24 First Sacramental Talk
7:00 PM
- Wed, 10/26 Red Ribbon Day

Hornet's Nest Activities

- Wed, 10/12 **No PM Extended Care**
- Thurs, 10/13 Fresh Fruits, Board Games
- Fri, 10/14 Movie, Pizza
- Mon, 10/17 Friendship Bands, Basketball
- Tues, 10/18 Pumpkin Craft, Dodgeball
- Wed, 10/19 Storytime, Games

School Mission

*We are committed to handing
on the Catholic faith.*

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.*



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 Assistance Needed form by Fri, Oct. 14th.* *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.

The kick-off for the *Jog-a-Thon* will take place on Fri, Oct. 14th. On that day, students will bring home a permission slip and pledge sheet. Please be sure to return the permission slip on the due date. Students who do not have a permission slip will not be able to participate in our *Jog-a-Thon*. Pledge sheets will be due when the pledge money is due.



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, scary, or clown 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.



Blessing Our Special Pets

Last Tues Oct. 4th we celebrated the *Feast of St. Francis of Assisi* with Mass followed by the Blessing of the Animals. There were animals of all shapes and sizes, from a hermit crab to birds to turtles to a great dane. Father Martinez, our guest priest, blessed all the of the animals, great and small. Many students brought pictures of their pets to be blessed. The Feast of St. Francis gives us the opportunity to celebrate God's creation in a special way.



Having a Blast at Our Crab



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 all-you-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!