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

#### Community

- Hosting our **Santa Breakfast** and adding a **Holiday Boutique**
- Planning a **Faith Family Gingerbread Making Contest**

#### Faith

- Leading a **Junior High Retreat** at the beginning of the year
- Celebrating **Founder's Days** by learning more about our Foundress, **Blessed Mother Marie-Rose** and spending time with Sister Linda

#### Knowledge

- Implementing **Standards-Based Report Cards**
- Participating in a mock **Presidential Election**

#### Service

- Donating shoes for a village in **North Africa**
- Encouraging students to actively minister during our school liturgies as **readers, choir members, musicians, altar servers and gift bearers**

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

*Tues, 1/24-Taste of Kinder Night for Interested TK & Kinder Families*

*Sun, 1/29-Catholic Schools Week Mass and Open House*

*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.**

Catholic schools prepare every student to meet the challenges of their future by developing their mind, yes, but also their body and their soul and spirit.

David Vitter

QuoteAddict

### Calendar Updates

Thurs, 1/19	6:30 PM-PTG Meeting
Fri, 1/20	Mid-Trimester Ends 7:00 PM-Jr High Dance
<b>Tues, 1/24</b>	<b>6:00 PM-Taste of Kinder</b>
Thurs, 1/26	4:00-5:30 PM Science Fair Open House
Sat, 1/28	9:00 AM-12:00 PM Beautification Day
<b>Sun, 1/29</b>	<b>10:30 AM-CSW Mass</b> <b>12:00 PM-Open House</b>
<b>Wed, 2/1</b>	<b>11:00 AM-Someone</b> <b>Special Mass &amp; Luncheon</b> <b>6:30 PM-Financial Aid</b> <b>Meeting</b>

### Hornet's Nest Activities

Thurs, 1/19	MLK Freedom & Dreams
Fri, 1/20	<i>Despicable Me 2</i> & Popcorn
Mon/23	Hot Dogs & Outside Play
Tues, 1/24	Extended Care Collage
Wed, 1/25	Chocolate Chip Cookies

### School Mission

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

## Sharing Input for Our Crab Feed

What a joy it is to achieve our goal of purchasing new bleachers for our Parish Center! We thank all of you who have volunteered or joined us at our Crab Feeds to make this dream a reality. Now we want need your input to determine our future plans. *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.*



## Joining Our Thursday PTG Mtg

Please join us for our *PTG Meeting this Thurs, Jan. 19th at 6:30 PM* to discuss our exciting upcoming events, including our School Beautification Day, Open House and Staff Appreciation Day. We appreciate your willingness to share your gifts of time and talent with our school community.

## Referring Students to Our School

We are excited to host our upcoming *“Taste of Kinder” Night on Tues, Jan. 24th at 6:00 PM.* Please invite your family, friends and neighbors who are interested in learning more about our school, particularly our TK and Kinder program. *If a referred family attends our school for one year and registers for the following year, you will receive \$350 off your Registration Fee for the next school year.* Thank you so much for spreading the good news about our school.



## Science Fair

## Learning from Our Hornet Scientists

Our 1st-8th grade Hornet scientists are eager to share their creative investigations and experiments with our school community. Please bring your family and friends to our Science Fair on *Thurs, Jan. 26th from 4:00-5:30 PM in the Small Gym.* Students will explain their scientific projects, enjoy hands-on activities and recognize the outstanding experiments from our 6th-8th grade scientists. Refreshments will also be sold. We also are in need of a few more judges so please contact Mr. Wolf at [dwolf@csdo.org](mailto:dwolf@csdo.org) if you are interested.

## 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.



## 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 is going home today in 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](mailto:sbarton@cndo.org) or Mrs. Pierre-Antoine at [jpierreantoine@cndo.org](mailto:jpierreantoine@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/> (*Parent help is needed to prepare these blankets. The work may be done at home for parent service hours. Please call our school office or email Mrs. Barton at [sbarton@csdo.org](mailto:sbarton@csdo.org) if you can assist us.*)
  - 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