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*Virtue of the Week -Obedience*    *September 9<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday Bulletin*



**Principal's News**

We want to thank Mr. & Mrs. Sam Seymour for donating money to purchase our new stage curtains. They look fabulous! (Parents – please help remind your children not to go on the stage or behind the curtains.)

Please join me at my first *Principal's Coffee* of the year this Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 a.m. in the church hall. We will be discussing new things that are happening at school and strategies to help your child be successful in school. At 9:15 a.m. we will have our student council speeches in the church hall.

Next Wednesday night, **September 16<sup>th</sup>** is our **Back to School Night for parents only**. Every parent should plan to attend. This is a great night to meet the teachers and meet each other. Please plan to arrive at 6:00 p.m. The agenda for the evening is the following:

- **6:00 p.m.** Social & Sign In
- **6:30-6:55 p.m.** Opening Remarks, Slide presentation and School directories distribution.
- **7:00-8:00 p.m. Session I** – Parents of pre-K-4 [who do not have siblings in 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>] meet in homerooms. All parents of 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders will stay in the church hall.
- **8:00-9:00 p.m. Session II**- Parents of pre-K-4 meet in homerooms. 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers will be present in church hall for individual questions.

Saturday, **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, is the ***St. Bartholomew Parish Celebration***. Sign up sheets are enclosed in today's envelope. Please fill out and return as soon as possible. This event is a great way to meet new friends and families.

Our teachers are happy to talk with parents about their children's progress in school. The best way to contact teachers is to call and leave them a voice mail. The teachers will return your call as soon as they can. Please do not ask teachers to speak with you in the carpool line and please do not drop into their classrooms after school without an appointment. Thank you in advance.

All carpool riders, you will occasionally see a black van or black Mercedes coming in the carpool line and jumping ahead of you. That belongs to the Bautista family. They were the highest bidder in our auction last year for "**First in the Carpool Line Winner**".

*Kathleen Miller, Principal*



**Home & School News**

Our Fall Fundraisers are here! You will find several items in your Wednesday Envelope today, all introduced with a letter that outlines the fundraisers for the year, and how you can help your school meet its

fundraising goals. Please take a minute to read over the letter so that you can familiarize yourself with the various items enclosed, as well as what will be in store for the remainder of the year.

Your family Wednesday Envelope should include the following items:

- 1) A mum's order form,
- 2) Your Sally Foster packet(s) with ordering instructions,
- 3) The CYO golf tournament registration pamphlet

If you are missing any of these items, please contact Mimi McLearn at [mclearns@verizon.net](mailto:mclearns@verizon.net). Thank you in advance for your support and generosity. We cannot succeed without your support!

Our first social event and fundraiser is *Ledo's Night Out* on **September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>** at the Ledo's on River Road. Please bring your family to meet other families and support the school. It is for both take-out and dining in. The school will receive a percentage of the sales that evening.

Don't forget to send in your H.S.A dues of \$50 per family. Please send it back via the communication envelope.

*Jennifer Bautista, HSA President*

## **Pre-K to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Snack Time**

Grades Pre-K to 4<sup>th</sup> grade has a break time at 10:30 a.m. Please provide in a **small snack**, each day for your child. (Ex: pretzels, apple slices, crackers, or a granola bar.) All children do not have time for elaborate snacks, so please make them simple.

## **Joy of Dance Classes**

We are offering dance classes again this year on Mondays- called *Joy of Dance*. Enclosed you will find a form to sign up for Combination I (ballet and tap) for ages 4-6. The time is 3:15 to 4:00 p.m. There is also a Hip Hop class for ages 7 and up, which begins at 4:00 p.m. Those students who choose to sign up for Hip Hop which begins at 4:00 p.m. will be able to go to aftercare **before class free of charge**. Please sign up as soon as possible. Please bring appropriate dance clothing.

We need more students in the **Hip Hop class in order to hold the classes** so please recruit your friends!



## **The St. Bartholomew's Golf Classic and Dinner is almost here!** *The St.*

*Bartholomew's Golf Classic* will be held on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at *Bretton Woods Country Club*. The Tournament will be a great way to get back into the swing of things (no pun intended) after summer vacation.

Proceeds from the Golf Classic will help fund Parish CYO activities and athletic facilities. After the Golf Classic, a fundraising dinner and auction will be held at Bretton Woods. You do not have to play golf to join us for the dinner and the auction. In addition, we will be having a cocktail party before dinner and the auction for any interested non-golfers. Please make sure to save the date. We would love to see you there.

For more details, please see the attached registration flyer. If you interested in attending the Golf Classic, the cocktail party, the dinner or the auction, please fill in the attached registration form and return it in the Wednesday envelope (along with a check for the appropriate amount). You can also register through the CYO link on the St. Bart's Web Site. If you have any questions, please call Tommy Castiello (301-938-3646) or Doug McLearn (301-467-4111).



Today, each child is bringing home a **Sally Foster** envelope. All the information and directions you will need to order from **Sally Foster** is attached on the envelope. This year, the sale begins today and will end October 20<sup>th</sup>. If you use the print material to order, your orders will be delivered to the school free of charge. The delivery date for those items will be Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>.

If you choose to order your items from the **Sally Foster** website at: [www.sallyfoster.com](http://www.sallyfoster.com), then the merchandise ordered will be sent to your home and not to the school. All online orders over \$70.00 will ship for free! And, these orders ship immediately. Online orders are a great way for out of town family and friends to help the school! Plus, send just five emails to family/friends and you get a chance to win a \$150 family fun night or a \$10 Starbucks gift card.

This is our kick-off fundraising event for the year. St. Bartholomew School gets 50% back of whatever is ordered. The student who sells the most will win the newly released *Beatles Rock band* for his/her Wii, Xbox, or playstation! Also, all classes with 100% participation will receive a pizza party at school. We thank you in advance for your enthusiastic support.



## **Homework Checkup**

All 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade parents – You may double check your child's homework assignments online by going to: [www.eboard.com](http://www.eboard.com), sign in by typing in: stbartholomewcomputerlab; type in password: stbarts. Click on your child's grade.

## Physical Education Update



P.E. has started this week. Students in grades K-4 will wear their P.E. uniforms to school. Students in grade 5-8 will bring their uniforms to school and change before gym class. The Pre-K students wear their P.E. uniform every day. Enclosed is a schedule for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders to let the girls and boys know when they have their additional Friday P.E. class. Please keep this posted at home to help your child remember to bring their clothes. If you have any questions, please call *Frank Miller* at ext. 31.

K- Monday and Tuesday  
1<sup>st</sup>-Monday and Wednesday  
2<sup>nd</sup>-Tuesday and Friday  
3<sup>rd</sup>- Tuesday and Wednesday  
4<sup>th</sup>- Wednesday and Friday

5<sup>th</sup>-Monday and Tuesday  
6<sup>th</sup>-Monday and Wednesday  
7<sup>th</sup>-Monday and Tuesday  
8<sup>th</sup>-Monday and Tuesday

## Hot Lunch Schedule



The parent volunteer schedule for September is enclosed in today's bulletin. Another schedule for the remaining months will be out soon.

Monday, 09/14  
*Parent Volunteers*

Mama Lucia's Pizza, salad & dessert  
*Al/Judy Arcidiacono & Kimmy Boone*

Tuesday, 09/15  
*Parent Volunteers*

Chicken Nuggets, fruit, & chips  
*Amy Abdow, Elizabeth Gimblett, & Patty Keith*

Wednesday, 09/16  
*Parent Volunteers*

Macaroni & Cheese, Italian bread, & salad  
*Beth Grisius, Michelle Hutter, & Michelle Place*

Thursday, 09/17  
*Parent Volunteers*

Cold Cut Sandwich, cheese curls & fruit  
*Courtney Bromley, Allison Cox, & Nancy Travis*

Friday, 09/18  
*Parent Volunteers*

Mama Lucia Pasta, garlic bread, & salad  
*Mary Beatson, Gena Conte, & Julie Pflieger*



***Everyone is invited to our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary St. Bartholomew Parish  
Birthday Celebration!***

***Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.***

***Live music, entertainment, food, and fun!***

***Please see the enclosed flyer!***

## Announcements

- For all after school activities: **Attention Coaches:** Please send in a class rosters/dates/times/etc. of who will be attending any after school activities on St. Bart's property. We need to give the homeroom teachers this information, so we know where your child is to go after school. Also, please do not leave any children unsupervised after school on the school property.
- If your child is being taken out of school early for an appointment, please arrive five minutes ahead of time so he/she can get their belongings. There is no need to call the school office.
- During **D.E.A.R. time**-12:30-12:50 p.m. (***Drop Everything and Read***), we ask that you refrain from stopping by the school or calling the school. We have the whole school enjoying reading at this time without interruptions. Thank you for understanding.
- **Calling all Cub Scouts!** Cub Scout Pack #15, which meets at Little Flower Church, invites all St. Bart's boys in grades 1 to 5 to join the pack. Meetings are twice a month and include activities such as camping, hiking, field trips and the Pinewood Derby. Please contact Scoutmaster Lisa Oswald at [Laoswald@verizon.net](mailto:Laoswald@verizon.net) with any questions or registration form and activity calendar.
- **Book Club:** A new *St. Bart's Mother's Book Club* is underway! Please see the enclosed flyer for dates and times! We hope many will join us!
- **PreK Class** – Please check your child's sweatshirts because a brand new sweatshirt is missing – the name is *McNicholas* is on the inside collar. Please send it into school if your child mistakenly took it home.
- Please **label** all clothing, backpacks, lunch boxes, PE sports bags, etc.
- There is still **availability** in the following after school extracurricular activities:  
If interested, please fill out forms or stop the school office to get an extra one.  
**Flag Football Dance Team Excl Fitness Golf**