

September 1, 2022

Small school. Big heart.



School Website

Parish Website



A Message
from the
Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,
Thank you to all who came to
tonight's Meet the Teacher Event!

YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks were distributed to students today if they had been ordered last spring and paid for. There are a *limited* number of yearbooks available for sale in the main office. To purchase a yearbook (first come, first served) send in \$18.50 to school with your child's name on the envelope. Cash or check - checks can be made payable to St. Bernadette School with "yearbook" on the memo line.

More Forms Headed Your Way...

Our last round of school-wide forms will be given to the youngest or only child

in your family after the Labor Day holiday. We will be needing Title I eligibility forms, handbook acknowledgement forms, and perhaps one or two more. All forms will also be linked to our website for your convenience. Please complete them as soon as possible and send them back to school.

Did You Know...?

The flyers that appear in our newsletters as well as any forms we distribute can be found on our website? Open the drop-down menu for "About Us" on our navigation ribbon. Select "Principal's Newsletters and Handouts" and scroll through the lists provided. There is also a hot link below under the "Quick Links" header.

COVID: Close contacts wear a mask.

If you or your child is exposed to someone with COVID, wear a mask for 10 days. If symptoms develop, assume you are positive for COVID and start the isolation period. If you remain symptom free, test on Day 5. If the test is negative, finish out the remaining 5 days wearing a mask. If you test positive, begin your isolation period.

If a parent is positive, it is important to isolate away from your child(ren) at home, otherwise you continue to expose the child to COVID and the mask wearing will continue 10 days past your last date of infection. (yikes) Children who are close contacts should absolutely stay in school and stay masked for 10 days. Teachers will also be masked whenever they are a close contact.

Big "Asks"

In the Principal's meeting tonight I mentioned that I have some big "asks" for donations. You may be a family who is able to assist with some of these needs, you may work for a company that matches your donations, or you may know someone looking for a worthy cause, a special project, or an easy tax deduction. We need:

- A new PA system: Cost estimates vary based on hard-wired vs. digital systems, the amount of coverage needed, and the customization options availability for campus emergency notification. Our current hard-wired system will not support the additional speakers we need in hallways and restrooms to alert students in the event of a campus emergency. A new unit with additional channels is needed, as well as upgrading some of the wiring throughout, and running new cable. (\$7,000 before labor.) A wireless system would be far more flexible, and far more expensive. (\$20,000+)
- A website designed for school use, easily edited by school personnel, interfacing with several social media platforms, and easy for parents to use. Cost estimates average at a minimum of \$7,000 for initial set-up, with annual licensing thereafter in the \$5,500+ range, depending on modules purchased.
- An outdoor learning space, encouraging connections and interactions with nature. No estimates or designs have been initiated.
- Classroom furniture. Modern students need modern options including desks that move across a classroom and are easily grouped together for collaboration, desks that adjust for standing, or collapse for easy storage, or have dry-erase tops.
- Air conditioning (someday). Our new roof was installed with the reinforcements needed for rooftop units. Fr. Tim is not ready to venture into this investment, but when he is, big big dollars will be needed.

Unpacking

Thanks to the generous donation received last year to establish STEAM learning and creative problem-solving, we have purchased quite a bit of curriculum and materials for **Science Technology Engineering Art and Mathematic** projects. We have always had STEM/STEAM projects built into our curriculum, but by investing

additional dollars into some specialized workspaces, storage, and collaborative learning kits, and by supporting our teachers with professional coaching in this area, we are developing better resources and bigger opportunities for your student. Stay tuned for updates on our progress!

In Christ,
~Mrs. Ingram



ON THE HORIZON. . .

Sept 2: (and every Friday Morning): All School Mass 8:15.

Sept 5: Labor Day - No School

Sept 8: PTO Meet and Greet 6:30 - Cafeteria

Sept 16: Parents Night Out: Harmony Hill

Sept 16: School Picture Day

Oct. 7: Grandparents' Day

PARENTS NIGHT OUT
ST. BERNADETTE PTO
HARMONY HILL VINEYARD
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2022 FROM 6-9PM
2534 SWINGS CORNER POINT ISABEL RD BETHEL, 45106

Get to know new families!
ENJOY TIME WITH OLD FAMILIES!
ENJOY AN ADULT NIGHT OUT!

Enjoy a night out with other St. B parents and guardians. Please bring an appetizer to share. We will have an area reserved.
Questions? Contact Jeni Fulton jeniandrasik@yahoo.com or Jenn Pikal jenniferpikal@gmail.com
We hope to see YOU there!

Please join us for the
St. Bernadette PTO
Pizza Challenge Night!

Classes go head-to-head to see who can raise the most money and the winning class gets a pizza party!

Order Delivery or Carry Out from Amelia LaRosa's on
Thursday, Sept. 1st 2022.

LaRosa's will donate 15% of the proceeds to the
St. Bernadette PTO!

Please mention your Teacher's Name when ordering and present this flyer to a LaRosa's Team Member at pick up or delivery.

LaRosa's
FAMILY PIZZERIA
AMELIA
Hours: 10:30AM-10:00PM



**Check
Email for
Gradelink
Login Info**

If you are new to our school, or your child is new to the school, you'll need to set up his or her account in Gradelink.

Gradelink is our attendance, grading, and notification system. You can set alerts to be notified when your



**Set up your Titan
Account for school
lunches.**

Lunches are provided through West Clermont School District and are made on our premises. **Lunches are \$3.00 this year.**

To set up your account, you will need your child's school ID number. This is the same ID number

student receives a particular grade, has an attendance issue, or receives discipline points. It is through Gradelink that emails are sent as well as text messages. When you log into your child's Gradelink account, click on the instructional video link for more information.

seen on your child's Gradelink page.

You should be able to **create your Titan account and load the PaySchool account, too.** AND you should be able to **apply for free or reduced priced lunches.**



Wanted: Parents to help lead after school clubs in your area of interest.

If you are willing to share your interest with children, please email Mrs. Ingram. Coaching a special interest club or leading a project to completion is very rewarding (but not paid!) and

enriches the experiences, skills and friendships of our students. All coaches/directors/leaders need to be cleared through the Safe Parish program and background checks. **Write me!** We're open to a lot of ideas: sewing, woodworking, coding, financial literacy/stocks, robotics, theatre, music ensembles, crafting, animation, chess, broadcasting, photography, dance, and more!



ST. BERNADETTE School

PTO VOLUNTEER FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ Ok to text? YES ___ NO ___

Email _____

Student #1 _____ Grade _____

Student #2 _____ Grade _____

Student #3 _____ Grade _____

TELL US A BIT MORE

Are you SafeParish Trained ? YES ___ NO ___

Will this be your first time volunteering with the St. B. PTO? YES ___ NO ___

COMMUNICATION

- _____ Bulletin Board
- _____ Fundraising
- _____ Flyers
- _____ Event Setup/Cleanup
- _____ Volunteer Recruitment
- _____ Website/Social Media

FUNDRAISERS/EVENTS

- _____ Fall Fundraiser
- _____ Grandparents Day
- _____ Family Fun Night
- _____ Trunk or Treat/Halloween
- _____ Book Fair
- _____ Father/Daughter Dance
- _____ Mother/Son Event
- _____ Walk-a-thon
- _____ Staff Appreciation Week
- _____ No Preference

INVOLVEMENT INTERESTS

Are you able to commit to attending 1 meeting every other month? YES ___ NO ___

What Skills/Expertise & Areas of Interest Would You Like to offer to the PTO?



THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR INTEREST AND SUPPORT!

PLEASE COMPLETE and hand in School in with your child to School

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer Opportunities

We are refreshing Sign-Up links for Lunchroom Help and Recess Duty. Thank you to those who signed up at tonight's meeting! Please consider spending time on our campus in these positions. Both of these "jobs"

give you an opportunity to see our students socialize and play. Children love seeing their mom or dad on campus - particularly the younger students. (Older students might complain or ask you not to come, but down deep, they're proud of your participation and support!) The links for these signups will be live NEXT WEEK.

All Volunteers and Staff must register with SafeParish™

The Archdiocese uses SafeParish™ exclusively for safe environment compliance. Even if you have had a



Virtus account, you must open an account with SafeParish™. Virtus accounts are no longer being used. Instructions for setting up your SafeParish™ account are [HERE](#).

New to volunteering? You start by opening a SafeParish™ account, get the needed on-line training, and learn about any required background checks. Click on the link to get started!

Quick Links

[Newsletters/Handouts](#)

[2022-2023 School Calender](#)

[Parent/Student Handbook](#)

[Parish Website](#)

[To set up Lunch Instructions](#)

[Free and Reduced online application](#)

[PTO](#)

[SafeParish instructions](#)

[Schoolbelles \(code S1952\)](#)

[Gradelink](#)

[FACTS Login](#)

[Remind Sign-up](#)

[Virtues in Practice \(at home materials - Year 3, Year of Charity\)](#)

[Kroger Rewards](#)

[Box Tops Bonus App](#)

[1n5 Foundation \(great mental health information\)](#)

[Mind-Peace \(to find mental health providers - click on "Search for Providers"\)](#)

[Beacons of Light - Pastoral Planning and Parish Families](#)

COVID-19 LINKS

[**Ohio COVID Vaccine Program**](#)
[**Get the Shot Ohio**](#)

[**Search Available Vaccine Sites**](#)

[**Myths and Facts: COVID Vaccine**](#)

[**Cincinnati Children's COVID site**](#)

[**Clermont County Public Health**](#)



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