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Friday Focus for Families

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Note from Dr. Briscoe...

BA along with all Catholic Schools across the country will celebrate the 46th Annual Catholic Schools Week from January 25 through January 31, 2020. There are several activities throughout the week to honor and promote Catholic Education. We will finish the week by sending each class on an all-day field trip on Friday, January 31. Students will go by bus leaving BA around 8:15 am and returning to BA before 3:00 p.m. We are asking each student to donate \$25.00 to help us with this event. If your family wants to donate more than that we will use the dollars to help other students. We will only go if the vast majority of students complete their permission form and donates the money by Monday, January 27, 2020. The staff is excited to help provide this opportunity for all students.

Catholic Schools Week Begins Tomorrow!

Saturday, January 25th

Mass at Divine Mercy Catholic Church, 4:00 pm

We will begin the week with special participation at the 4:00 pm Mass at Divine Mercy Catholic Church on Saturday, January 25th. Please join us as students and adults from the Bethlehem Academy community represent our school as readers, choir members, gift bearers, servers, hosts, and Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Thank you for your continued support of Catholic education in Faribault and we look forward to celebrating with you on January 25th!

Tuesday, January 28th

Jesus Food Pack & Friends, Siblings, Cousins Shadow Day

Fundraising for the Catholic Schools Week Jesus Food pack is underway. Please prayerfully consider contributing to our goal of \$10,000. The more money we raise, the more meals we can pack, and all the more people can be fed. Donations can be made by check, written out to BA or DMCS, and dropped off at either front office. Students may also purchase Dress Down Passes. We greatly appreciate your continued support of our mission-driven Catholic school and community!

Tuesday, January 28th is also Friends Shadow Day.

Invite a friend interested in BA to join your student for the day. Parents must sign their visiting student up at this [link](#).

Wednesday, January 29th

Mass and Buddy Day with DMCS

Thursday, January 30th

Talent Show

Friday, January 31st

Class Field Trips



Student Council Dress Down Pass for Jesus Food

- Purchase (during lunch) one of the following options:
 - \$15 for 10 days
 - \$10 for 6 days
 - \$5 for 3 days
- Student will check in to the office each morning to receive a dress code pass for the day
- May not be used on Mass Days
- May not be used on a special dress down day (ex. Dress down day for children's cancer)
- Must be used before April 1
- Expectations:
 - Attire should always be neat, clean & modest.
 - Sweatpants, athletic pants, warm-up pants, jogger pants are acceptable.
 - Shirts with larger graphics may be worn (graphic content needs to be school appropriate).
 - Hooded sweatshirts may be worn.
 - No Shorts before spring break; athletic shorts may be worn after spring break.
 - No yoga pants, pajama pants, leggings, jeggings, etc. Leggings are not pants.
 - No hats or headbands.

**\$10 provides 43 meals!
\$15 provides 65 meals!**

**Our community goal is to reach \$10,000
which will provide 43,478 meals!**

**You can also make a donation in addition to
buying a dress down pass.**

Note from Mr. Wollin...

Hello Everyone,

We experienced our first snow day and our first flexible learning day. There were some glitches, I know, but this will be a work in progress, and we will get it down eventually. We are working on the technical glitches and I have told our staff to be flexible. I know a number of you parents did contact teachers with your concerns. We actually need to know the concerns so that we can try to fix them. Thank you for your patience with this. I am confident it can work.

We also have NWEA Test coming up for Middle School. These are very important for your children. They let us know where we stand in comparison to others around the state and nation, but also how much improvement your children have made. Please make sure your children get extra rest, eat well, and are focused for these tests. It is our goal to have everyone take them seriously and do their best. The dates are February 4,5,6.

Next week is Catholic Schools week. I hope everyone takes part and has a great time. I know you have received some information about our activities. It should be a great week!

Host Families Needed ASAP for Current & Future Students!

A current BA international student – a 10th grade boy from China - is in need of a new host family. In addition, we are looking for two host families for twins from the Ukraine—a boy and girl who wish to start next year as 11th graders. The boy LOVES hockey (his father & grandfather were professionals) and the girl is very artistic. PLEASE contact Kris ASAP (ksauer@bacards.org or 507-334-3948, x206) if you or anyone you know might be interested in hosting these great students!

Pancake Breakfast Tickets in Mail



It's Pancake Breakfast time! This annual event raises money for the Industrial Arts and Hot Lunch Programs. Tickets for the February 23rd event are \$6 each for all you can eat pancakes, sausages, applesauce, milk and coffee. Letters were sent to each family Thursday asking that you sell 10 tickets for this event; extra tickets are available in the front office. Weekly prize drawings start February 7 for anyone who has turned in ticket money, and there's a case of our Famous Lunch Lady Chocolate Chunk cookies for the person that sells the most tickets! Volunteers needed for this great event – click [here](#) for the SignUpGenius sign up and work towards your family service hours.

Upcoming Events

Shoot for the Cure/Future Cardinal Night, Jan 27

Rescheduled! Shoot for the Cure will now be held Monday, January 27 @ the boys game vs JWP. Same great activities planned to raise money for Alex's Lemonade Stand. We'll have Connie cookies, bracelets made by elementary students & suckers for sale; a paper airplane toss for prizes, a Wall of Hope and other great activities! AND it's Future Cardinal Night! Future Cardinals and their families get free admission showing the attached flyer at the door. Please join us for this great event!

SnoBash February 1, 2020

After the Grand March, plan to hang out at Carbone's from 9:30pm-12am. Get your \$10 advanced tickets in the BA front office or \$13.00 at the door. Includes beer, soda, and music provided by Noah Battles. Hosted by the Junior Class Parents, all proceeds benefit Post Prom 2020.

Open House, Feb 23

Help us grow our Cardinal family! Invite interested families and friends to join us from 10 am - 12 noon Sunday, February 23 for our next open house! Info tables, tours and complimentary pancake tickets for all who attend! Sign up [here](#).

2020-2021 Enrollment Now Open

We have opened enrollment for 2020-2021 and ask that you re-enroll your student for next year. You should have received an email from TADS Thursday with a link to get started. We ask that you complete re-enrollment for your student(s) by Tuesday, March 17, in order for us to best plan for next year. Please let Kris Sauer (ksauer@bacards.org) know if you have any questions. We are here to help.

Financial Aid Deadline February 17

We are committed to providing a Bethlehem Academy education to all families who desire it. Any family who is concerned about affording full tuition and fees is encouraged to apply for financial aid through TADS, with whom we partner to fairly assess need. **The deadline to apply for financial aid for the 2020-2021 school year is Monday, February 17, 2020**, and must be met to be considered for Archdiocesan scholarships. Please note that you MAY use your 2018 tax return to apply.

DATES TO REMEMBER

(click on hyperlink for more info)

1/25-2/1	Catholic Schools Week
1/27	Shoot for the Cure/Future Cardinals @ Boys Basketball Game vs. JWP
1/28	Friends, Cousins, Siblings Shadow Day
1/28	Jesus Food Pack
1/29	Mass Day, Buddy Day, Special Schedule
1/30	Talent Show, Special Schedule
1/30	Class Field Trips
2/1	SnoBall, Grand March, 8:00 pm
2/1	SnoBash, 9:30 pm – 12:00 am
2/1	Robotics at State Championship
2/1	HS Science Olympiad
2/4-2/6	NWEA Testing
2/5	Respect Retreat, Grade 9
2/6	Student of the Month, 7:15 am
2/7	Mass Day
2/7	Gopher Conf. Honors Concert Rehearsals
2/8	Gopher Conf. Honors Concert

Attachments

- Shoot for the Cure/Future Cardinal BB Flyer
- SnoBash
- Catholic Schools Week