



ST. BRIDGET SCHOOL

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INFORMATION ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ IMPORTANT DATES

From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Parents,

Holy Week dramatically unveils the events leading to Easter. From Passion (Palm) Sunday to the Easter Vigil on Saturday night, the church invites us to reflect upon and share in Christ's paschal mystery.

There is an adult solemnity about Easter and the Easter season that is difficult for children to understand. In this age of the electric light, the paschal candle is not as dramatic a phenomenon as it was in the past. Water and oil are not obvious signs of life and healing to today's children. They need to hear the stories of people in the scripture passages to understand the signs used in the liturgy. They need to experience activities that show new life and hope. All the readings from the Easter Season liturgies provide stories for proclaiming, dramatizing, retelling, and sharing. These treasures from scripture give us the "Good News" we have committed ourselves to share as Catholic Christians.

Children should have the opportunity to see the paschal symbols in church. Keep Easter in your hearts and in your families. Enjoy the season of renewed life and hope!

Enjoy your Easter and Spring Break,

Ray Honeycutt
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS ~

Rice Bowls: Thursday, April 1st is the last day for our students to bring in their Rice Bowls. Throughout Lent, Operation Rice Bowl has helped us pray, fast, learn and give in solidarity with those in need, around the world.

Cafeteria Accounts: Thursday, April 1st, the cafeteria will send home balance statements to all students.

Holy Thursday Prayer Service: Thursday, April 1st at 11:00 AM, we celebrate Holy Thursday with a special Prayer Service. All are welcome to join us in prayer.

NOON DISMISSAL: Thursday, April 1st, is a Noon Dismissal. Please plan accordingly since there is no After School on this day. Thank you.

Spring Break: Thursday, April 1st (noon dismissal) through Sunday, April 11th. Classes resume on Monday, April 12th.

Optional Summer Uniforms: Monday, April 12th, optional summer uniforms may be worn. Please see the summer uniform codes below:

Boys K-5

Shorts - Khaki (Flynn & O'Hara only)

Shirt - Navy polo with school name - short or long sleeve

Socks - only plain white crew or Bulldog socks may be worn (no logos)
Belt - brown, black, navy

Boys 6-8

Shorts - Khaki color **must** match Flynn & O'Hara shorts / pants (no carpenter, cargo, or tech shorts; no "stone" khaki color)
Shirt - Navy polo with school name - short or long sleeve
Socks - only plain white crew or Bulldog socks may be worn (no logos)
Belt - brown, black, navy

Girls K-3

Skort - Khaki elastic waist skort - **Flynn & O'Hara only** - fingertip rule
Shirt - White polo with school name, or blouse with Peter Pan collar - short or long sleeve
Socks - only plain white crew or Bulldog socks may be worn (no logos)

Girls 4-8

Skort - Khaki 2 panel skort - **Flynn & O'Hara only** - fingertip rule
Shirt - White polo with school name - short or long sleeve
Socks - only plain white crew or Bulldog socks may be worn (no logos)

Hair Cuts: Monday, April 12th, upon return from Spring Break, haircuts must be regulation.

"Why Good Kids Do Bad Things": Tuesday, April 13th from 7:00-8:00 PM in the sanctuary at the River Road Presbyterian Church, join Dr. Anthony F. Vitiello for an evening of insightful and practical parenting advice on the risky behaviors of middle and high school students and how they relate to brain development. He will discuss how to help your child develop the skills to be both resilient and responsible. Everyone is invited. Light refreshments will be served.

Middle School Dance: Friday, April 16th from 7:00 – 10:00 PM is the last Middle School dance. Bring \$5 and your guests! Don't forget your permission slips!

Report Cards: Friday, April 16th, report cards will be issued the week after we return from Easter Break. Please be sure that all your accounts are up to date (tuition, library, cafeteria, and after school) so that your child(ren) will get report cards on time. If you have any questions about your cafeteria account, please contact the cafeteria directly as their accounting is separate from the school's. For questions regarding any other accounts, please contact Sally McMullen in the Finance office. There are a lot of overdue library books!

Register Now for the Bulldog Blast 5K Run: Saturday, May 1st is the day for our **Bulldog Blast 5k Run**. Online registration is open! T-shirts are guaranteed to the first 250 participants who register by April 15th. Non-refundable registration is \$15 with a \$60 family maximum. The race starts at 8:00 AM with packet pickup available Friday afternoon, April 30th, in the Saint Bridget Church Commons from 2:30 – 6:00 PM and Saturday, May 1st, starting at 6:30 AM. The school's annual Bulldog Blast Spring Carnival immediately follows the race! To register online or download a registration form visit www.saintbridget.org.

Bulldog Blast: Saturday, May 1st will be the inaugural BULLDOG BLAST. The Bulldog Blast will encompass both the RUN and the CARNIVAL. Get your family or business name on the carnival attraction of your choice! Visit our website <https://saintbridget.ejoinme.org/BulldogBlast> to sponsor events and to order your carnival wristbands and tickets. Mark your calendars to come out to Run and Have Some Fun! Thank you for supporting this wonderful event and helping to promote health and fitness within the St. Bridget Community!

Calling all Future Stars!!! Saturday, May 1st, come showcase your talents at the 2010 St. Bridget Talent Show. Performances will take place during the Bulldog Blast Carnival. Registration forms are available online at <https://saintbridget.ejoinme.org/BulldogBlast>.

Bulldog Blast Blood Drive- Saturday, May 1st we are very excited to incorporate a "health" theme into the Bulldog Blast this year!! We would love to have the VA Blood Service at the event and in order to do that we need to pre-register donors. It only takes a few minutes to give. If you are interested in donating on May 1st please contact Christy Barrfatto at 804-319-9121 or email at christy2332@clearwire.net.

Bulldog Blast Babysitting: Saturday, May 1st, we will offer babysitting in the church nursery for ages infant through preschooler during the Bulldog Blast. You can make reservations, or you may drop your children off during the event. Do you have a middle

schooler who would like to volunteer in the nursery? Contact Meghan Hess with any questions or to make reservations at meghan.hess@comcast.net.

Bulldog Blast Volunteers- May 1st we need your help to make this a successful event. Please click on the classroom link for your child's class to enroll & volunteer:

KA <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=VB75F2C8C3F>
KB <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V41AA618E20>
1A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=VA3731F3EC4>
1B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V2BBFCF6585>
2A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=VA61A5AF692>
2B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V1F9AA04B98>
3A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V4429AE5818>
3B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V674BA8BB2A>
4A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V4377524D0E>
4B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V1359FD7BA5>
5A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=VBCF7AA7BB6>
5B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=VB252CD78B6>
6A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V7F2F868CD2>
6B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=VF584FB7638>
7A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=VEF8E4C7411>
7B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V9509F3A051>
7C <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V9FE0E094D9>
8A <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V4B7E71061A>
8B <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V47D0EFE2A5>
BULLDOG RUN <http://www.theoneplanner.com/index.php?code=V4F4C2551BD>

St. Bridget Museum of Very Fine Arts and Crafts: Friday, May 7th from 5:00-8:00 PM in MPH, all are invited to attend a parish art and crafts exhibit co-sponsored by the St. Bridget Saints and Sinners and St. Bridget School. All parishioners and St. Bridget school children are invited to exhibit their works of arts and crafts in "The St. Bridget Museum of Very Fine Arts and Crafts". There is no charge to exhibit or to attend. Light refreshments will be served, including cheese and crackers, fruit, sweets and punch. Students, you may submit a work of art completed in or outside of art class. This piece must be your own original work; **without any outside help**. It should be a **quality** representation of your **best efforts and creativity**. If you are interested, please bring your work by Ms. Wright's room for review by Friday, April 23rd.

Fellowship! Golf! Food! Fun!: Friday, May 14th, join our school principal, Ray Honeycutt, in the 7th annual Saint Bridget School Golf Tournament at Glenwood Golf Club. Come on, gents and ladies, it's on a *mid-May, Friday afternoon* this year! Proceeds will benefit Saint Bridget School and its athletic association. For sponsor and entry information, go to <http://www.saintbridget.org/events/downloads/Golf%20Flyer%202010.pdf>.

HELP OUR SCHOOL EARN CASH: The more you shop at Food Lion, the more cash we can earn. Visit www.foodlion.com. Click on MVP Rewards, then on MVP Card Registration, and enter your card number, then the school code: 218223 or our school name and click: search Complete enrollment. *Thank you*

AFTER SCHOOL NEWS ~

Please note the following: Thursday, April 1st through Friday, April 9th, the After School Program will be CLOSED for the Easter Holiday and Spring Break.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Cinderella: April 16th and April 17th the Troubadours present Rogers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella". All ages are welcome. Doors open at 7:00 PM at the Henrico Theatre. General Admission is \$7.00. For tickets, please call the Box Office at 426-9167 and for more information please visit: www.the-troubadours.net.

St. Bridget Church Teen Mission Trip Dance-A-Thon: Saturday, April 24th from 6:30 PM-midnight, seventh graders through high school seniors can participate in this fundraiser for the youth mission trip this summer. T-shirts and dinner will be provided by Chipotle, including snacks and drinks. The music for the evening will be provided by Bob Mednikov of AAA Disc Jockeys. The cost is \$20 per person. Forms will be available after the masses on the weekend of March 20th and 21st. Make your payment, by check to St. Bridget Church CHWC. If you have any questions please call Anne-Marie Condlin at 426-5298.

Summer Class Offerings 2010: June 1st through August 26th, Dr. Karen Rooney presents classes for students from kindergarten to

high school students. These classes are intended to help students improve reading comprehension and express ideas in writing, develop stronger reading and writing skills, develop SAT vocabulary, and help children build their literacy skills. For more information, please visit <http://www.krooney.com>. You may register on-line or call 804-747-1883.

Camp St. Charles: June 20th – July 3rd; July 4th – 17th; July 18th – 31st; and August 1st – 14th are the dates for the 2010 season consisting of two-week sessions costing \$1085. An additional charge of \$60 will be added for 12-13 year old campers. To register go to: www.campstcharles.com. Feel free to come to the school office for a copy of a brochure.

Attend a Fun, Educational Camp: The University of Virginia and the College of William and Mary hosts, this summer, iD Tech Camps – North America's # 1 technology program. During this weeklong, day and overnight program, ages 7-17 create robots, iPhone® and Facebook® apps, websites with Flash®, video games, digital movies and more. With one computer per student and an average of six students per staff, students are given the attention they need to excel and take home a project at the end of the weeklong course. For more information, please visit www.internalDrive.com or call 1-888-709-TECH (8324) for details.