



Saint Brendan Parish School News

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Catholic Schools Celebrate Service

Important Dates

Sept. 11	Individual student pictures Non-uniform day PTO Meeting 7 PM
Sept. 12	Curriculum Night 5:00-5:45 or 6:00-6:45 PM Handbook receipt page due
Sept. 17	Band Demonstration 8:30 AM for Grades 5-8 Technology Meeting 7 PM Speech Club Student & Parent Meeting 7 PM
Sept. 18	School Commission 7 PM
Sept. 19	School Mass 9 AM
Sept. 23	5th Grade EE Parent Meeting 6:30 PM
Sept. 24	Speech Club Student Meeting 3:00 PM
Sept. 30	Beginning Band 7:30 AM
Oct. 1	Development Meeting 7:00 PM
Oct. 2	Intermediate Band 7:30 AM
Oct. 3	Noon Dismissal Non-Uniform Day

Altar Servers

We would like to acknowledge the following students who are serving Mass on 9/14:

PTO Volunteer Corner



Word Processing Job: Mrs. Lunn has a word processing job that can be completed at home and count toward your volunteer hours. The task is to take the Math state standards for all grades and insert into a table resulting in about 75 pages. We will need the document by mid-October. Please let Mrs. Lunn know if you are interested.

Scrip Volunteers Needed: We need a few more people to sell scrip either before school in the PTO room or after school in the carpool line. Having more than one person for every time slot ensures a backup or buddy to help out! We also need scrip sellers after the weekend masses, especially the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. masses.

Development Committee Help Needed: Join the Development Committee next **Tuesday, September 16th at 7:00pm** in the teacher's lounge at the school for the Annual School Appeal mailing. We will mail over 1600 envelopes to alumni, alumni parents, friends and parishioners. We will feed you pizza, beverages and goodies. This is also a great opportunity to find out what the Development Committee is all about.

Craft Fair Help Wanted – Publicity Chair: Are you interested in coordinating announcements about the St. Brendan's Craft Fair in magazines, websites, church bulletins & local organizations? Do you like to make signs & flyers? If so, join the promotions efforts and become the **Publicity Chair!**

Principal News

Bulletin: The weekly bulletin is the main source of communication for parents. **The bulletin and all attachments will only be sent electronically in a PDF format.** If your email address has changed since last June, please contact Mrs. Carlson or the school office.

End of Day Prayer: At 2:55 each day, students will lead the school in a closing prayer over the intercom and provide a few minutes for reflection and silent prayer. Each grade will have the opportunity to share their prayers during one month of the school year.

Distinguished Student Awards: Teachers are discussing the selection and focus of student awards. There will be no awards for our first School Mass. We will have a final decision regarding the awards within the next few weeks.

Parent Receipt Form for Handbook Revisions: The changes to the school handbook were attached to last week's bulletin. A copy of the receipt page is included in this week's Wednesday's envelope. Please return it to the office by this Friday, September 12th.

Curriculum Night-Friday, September 12th: There are two sessions for parents to learn about their child's curriculum: 5:00 to 5:45 PM or 6:00 to 6:45 PM. This will be an adult-only event, and there is no time set aside for individual conferences with specialists or teachers.

Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences: Parents will have the opportunity to sign up for October conferences on Curriculum Night. Conferences are being held Thursday, October 30th from 8 AM to 8 PM and Friday, October 31st from 8 AM to Noon. The sign-up sheets will be posted in each classroom. Parents will receive confirmation of their conference time in late September.

Spanish Class: Registration forms will be available on Curriculum Night. Cost for this program is paid directly to the provider. Spanish class begins Tuesday, October 28th from 3:00 to 3:50PM. Spanish class will take place every Tuesday and Thursday after school.

Blanchet Band Visit: A few students from the Blanchet Band will visit our school on Wednesday, September 17th at 8:30 AM. Students in grades 5 through 8 will enjoy a short band performance. Our band director, Mr. Lunn, will be encouraging students to join band. Beginning band begins on Tuesday, September 30th at 7:30 AM and Advance band starts Thursday, October 2nd at 7:30 AM. Mrs. Lunn

PTO Meeting

Please join us on **Thursday, September 11th at 7:00 PM** in the Music/Art Room. Our discussion topic this month will be the new fundraising requirement, Cafeteria Plan. We know that there have to be a lot of questions out there as we continue to iron out issues, so please join us and bring your questions and ideas.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come.



Auction in Action COME SAIL WITH US

Saturday March 7, 2009

Marriott Redmond Town Center

Congratulations to _____ for winning a gift certificate to Red Robin for turning in her procurement. Next drawing will be Monday October 6th. The sooner you turn in your items the more chances you will have of winning.

Thank you to all you wonderful families who have started our ship rocking! Do you know anyone who is into High School Musical? If so, _____ have a package that will have a special fan dancing on cloud nine for months to come! If your idea of an amusement ride is spending _____ the afternoon skiing, tubing and wake boarding, then _____ will take you on the ride of your life! Did you miss out on **Miss Constantino's** gourmet Italian dinner? No worries: she'll give you another chance this year. This is just a sampling of the incredible things being planned with you in mind....

Now with your KIDS in mind.... **SAVE THE DATE.....BINGO NIGHT Friday, October 24th. More information in the coming weeks.** Questions? Ideas? _____ Though we are off to a great start, our **Procurement Chair** could still use some help. She will give you contacts in your area and work with your schedule. Please help out by contacting **Eileen**.

Scrip Standing Orders

If you are considering a standing order for Scrip this year, there is still time! **All families who place a standing order by September 30th will be entered in a drawing for a \$50 scrip certificate** to be used at any Scrip vendor! *Standing orders can be of any dollar amount* and are the best way to ensure that we have what you want when you want it. Standing orders can be delivered once or twice a month - once a month orders are delivered the first full week of the month and twice a month orders the first and third full weeks of the month. Remember, the profit St. Brendan earns through Scrip counts toward your fundraising obligation, so **make scrip a habit** and send in your standing order today!



Entertainment Book Fundraiser

Our on-going Entertainment book fundraiser runs through **Friday, Sept 19th**--just 9 more days. More books are available from

If you would like to sell after Mass over the next two weekends, please contact Adele.

Sally Foster Fundraiser

Runs from Sept 2 to Sept 22

Delivery is on **October 30th and 31st** during conferences.



Orders can be taken using the order form that was sent home last week **or** online. Go to www.SallyFoster.com and use the St Brendan account # 305580 to sign up and send emails to friends & relatives. There is **FREE shipping** on online orders of \$70 or more. The online orders are shipped directly to the buyer's address and get there earlier.



Concert THANK YOU

A huge **"THANK YOU"** to Fr. Jim and his very talented musicians for putting on a wonderful benefit concert Saturday night! The evening brought in over **\$3,000** for our Music Program which will go toward new teacher materials and student instruments. And many, many thanks to all the families who worked the event and contributed a fabulous treat for the Dessert Bar. It was a great night of song, company and food!

Development Committee and St. Brendan Parish School Annual Appeal 2008-2009

The Development Committee would like to thank the many school families who turned in their Annual School Appeal pledges on the first day of school. If you have not turned in your pledge, please do so now as they were due on the 1st day of school. Payment is not required at this time only that your pledge is filled out and turned in. Please see the pledge envelope for payment options. If you have questions, or need a new pledge envelope, please contact the Development Chair. If your pledge is coming through United Way or company payroll it is still necessary for you to fill out a pledge form and turn it in. We understand that some companies have not yet done their drives, but if you turn in the pledge form indicating as such it will count toward the compliance requirement. **Please check with your employer to see if they will match your pledge.** Please send in your employer matching fund documents to the school office attention Development.



Saint Brendan Speech Team

If you are a 6th, 7th, or 8th grade student with a gift for gab or would like to learn the skills of a polished public speaker or actor, then come join the St. Brendan Speech Team. An informational meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 7:00 PM** in the Music room. Tournaments are Saturday, December 13, January 24, and February 7th. Parents, please let me know if you would be willing to help coach a couple of students. This is a great way to earn volunteer hours.

Calling All Chessmen



St. Brendan Chess season is about to begin. Chess is open to all students Kindergarten thru 8th grade who play chess at any level. There will be an **informational meeting Monday, October 6**, after school in the Library for all interested players and their parents. Practices begin Monday, October 13, from 3:00 to 4:00 in the Library and run thru Mid-April.



O Come, Little Children... and sing Christmas Eve!

Grades 2 - 6 are invited to sing in the choir for the Christmas Eve 5:00 Mass. **Rehearsals begin Wednesday, October 1st 5:00 - 6:00** in the church. .