Today's Learners = Tomorrow's Leaders

Happy New Year!!!

Dear Families,

Happy New Year from all of us at St. Bernadette Parish School! Monday was our first day back and since then, we’ve all been very busy getting back into the routine of things. We appreciate all your efforts in getting your child(ren) to school on time.

We have a number of events planned this month. To begin, we will have our annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Service on Friday, January 15th at 2:15 PM. Thank you to Mrs. Leach, Mrs. Harrington and our 1st and 7th grade students for leading us in this prayerful homage, celebrating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Enclosed in this Wednesday envelope you will find a copy of our 2016 Catholic Schools Week Calendar. This year’s CSW theme is: Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service. There are many special activities planned for this week and we hope you can participate (ie. Grandparents’ Day, CSW Prayer Service, School Picnic, Open House etc.). There are also many volunteer opportunities still available. If you would like to help volunteer for any of the events listed on our CSW calendar, please contact our CSW Coordinator, Mary Englin at: maryandbruce@msn.com. Mary is also spearheading a clean-up crew on January 17th & January 24th from 1pm-3pm. Anyone interested is encouraged to bring gardening tools and a “hard working attitude” as we clean up our campus prior to Catholic Schools Week!

This year, we will have one scheduled Open House during the school day on Wednesday, February 3rd from 9:30-10:30 AM in the multi-purpose room. We will continue to offer school tours by appointment throughout the year as well so that prospective parents have ample opportunities to visit our school. Please spread the word to any interested families and/or friends who may be looking for a wonderful Catholic School for their children!

Due to an Archdiocesan change in schedule, Fr. Mike will be unavailable to celebrate school masses during the next three Fridays. However, we will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word next Friday, January 15th at 8:45 AM. As always, we encourage families to attend!

Due to these changes, students will be allowed to come to school in Blue Friday gear for the following Fridays: January 8, January 15, & January 22. Participation is not mandatory and non-participating students may come to school in their school uniform. This is in support of our local football team making the playoffs! Go Seahawks!
Below are a few important re-reminders:

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARDS

As we begin the New Year, it is important that all families who pay in-parish tuition submit a 2016 Stewardship Pledge Card in order to continue to qualify for the in-parish tuition rate. Each year in January, participating families are reminded of this requirement. Currently, we have 36 families with outstanding pledge cards. To prevent unnecessary billing, please take care of this as soon as possible. Additional pledge cards were distributed last month, but if you are in need of another copy, please call the school office and we will be happy to send you another copy. Completed pledge cards may be sent to the school or parish office or can be dropped off in the collection basket during any weekend mass. Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

2016-2017 FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

Friday, January 15, is the last day to submit 2016-2017 financial aid applications. In order to qualify for Archdiocesan or school financial aid, you must submit an application online via the following FACTS link: https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4C8JV This link is also available on our school's main webpage. Only applications submitted online will be considered. This is a new archdiocesan process. Please contact Mrs. Armstrong, if you have any further questions.

Again, we wish all of you a Happy New Year and we are so happy to have your child(ren) back at school!

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Mrs. Mendoza
Principal
God Bless,

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST – JANUARY 31 – The Knights of Columbus are looking for 6th, 7th and 8th grade student volunteers and parents to serve at their annual breakfast on Sunday, January 31, after the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses to kick off Catholic Schools Week. Please complete and return the attached “Cut and Return”, if you are available.

- 2016 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK CALENDAR – The 2016 Catholic Schools Week Calendar is attached.

- CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK NEWS - DOUBLE VOLUNTEER HOURS AVAILABLE! Join the parents club in cleaning up our campus Sunday, January 17 & January 24 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Bring gardening tools, and your hard working attitude as we clean up our campus prior to Catholic Schools Week! Send any questions to maryblandbruce@msn.com
STUDENT CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY GROUP

Every Wednesday in Advent, students in grades 4th-8th are encouraged to join our Student Chaplet of the Divine Mercy group during lunch recess time (12:30-1:00). The participating students below engaged in this powerful form of prayer.

Thank you students for demonstrating Christian Responsibility! The following students joined Mrs. Mendoza and Fr. Mike to participated in the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Group on Wednesday, December 16:

Giuliana Bausano (5th), Elizabeth Decena (5th), Araceli Felix (8th), Gulnoor Goraya (5th), Ryan Hoang (6th), Lynna Hoang (4th), Kenneth Le (4th), Lucas Le (4th), Mailli Martinez (5th), Thien-Kim Nguyen (5th), Crystal Tran (5th), Miss Cathy Grimes & Mrs. Kathy Budde.

FAMILY MASS

Every third weekend of the month during the school year, students are encouraged to wear their school uniforms to mass (any mass of your family’s choosing) to honor the children and families that attend our Parish school. The families may choose to attend any one mass, Saturday evening or any of the Sunday masses. As a token of our appreciation for your participation, Father Mike will provide you with a free dress coupon for the following Monday. Below are the Family Mass Dates for the year:

2/20-2/21  4/16-4/17

ATTENTION

NEW PROCESS FOR SUBMITTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

Application Deadline: January 15, 2016

2016-2017 FULCRUM FOUNDATION TUITION ASSISTANCE THROUGH FACTS

The Archdiocese of Seattle, through the Fulcrum Foundation, offers tuition grants to qualifying families at participating Catholic Schools. To obtain a grant, the family must complete a confidential Grant & Aid Application through FACTS. FACTS Grant & Aid Applications must be completed online. Please note that families requesting financial assistance from St. Bernadette Parish School must also have this application on file to be eligible for aid in the 2016-2017 school year.

If you wish to submit a FACTS Grant & Aid Application, the application procedures go to the St. Bernadette website at www.stbernadettesea.org and follow the directions on the front page which also provides the FACTS link.
**STUDENT OF THE WEEK** — The tradition of honoring 8th graders of the week continues. Each week an 8th grader receives a certificate and gets a huge candy treat from Mrs. Mendoza.

Week of January 4th – Janae Jelks

**HONOR BAND (from Miss McKamey)** – Honor Band Auditions are here and are set for:

- **Monday, January 11th - 5:00-7:15 p.m.**: Clarinets, Saxes, Oboe and Drums
- **Tuesday, January 12th 5:00-7:15 p.m.**: Flutes, Bells, Trumpets, Baritone and Trombones

All auditions are held in the Kennedy Catholic High School Music Room. A detailed information sheet has been given to all band members in grades 6-8.

_Eighth graders bound for Kennedy Catholic - Don’t forget that this year the Cambronero Scholarship auditions are in conjunction with the Honor Band auditions!! A letter from Mr. Fischer was handed out to all current eighth graders._

Questions? Contact Miss McKamey at mckameym@kennedyhs.org or (206)957-9777

**CALENDAR CORRECTION** – There will be NO “School Mass” on Friday, January 8

Although there will be no Mass on Friday, January 15, there will be a Liturgy Service. Please mark your calendar accordingly.

**CANTOR & CHOIR SECOND SESSION SIGN-UP** – Cantors at St. Bernadette is an activity open to students in grades 5-8. The Panther Singers (our school choir) is an elective activity open to students in grades 4-8. The flyers and sign-up sheets for both Cantor and Choir are attached.

**ART CLASS** - The Winter/Spring Art Classes will be held from January 25th through March 22nd from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Session 1 for K – 2nd grade will be on Mondays, and there will be 8 classes totaling $80.00. Session 2 for 3rd – 8th grade will be held on Tuesdays, and will have 9 sessions totaling $90.00. Both session fees include materials. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

**2016-17 PRE-KINDERGARTEN** – If you are planning to enroll your child who will be 4 years old in our Pre-Kindergarten Program next year, please fill out the attached “Cut and Return”.

**2016-17 KINDERGARTEN** – If you are planning to enroll your child who will be 5 years old in our Kindergarten Program next year, please fill out the attached “Cut and Return”.

**CHRISTMAS TREE PAPER ORNAMENT SALE** – Thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas Tree Paper Ornament Sale. Through your generosity we raised over $900 for Avivara. Congratulations to PreK and 8th grades who won the Pizza Party as the top selling classes. Pizza parties will be scheduled by class teacher. The proceeds will go to our sister school in Guatemala, San Jose Pacúl.

**KING COUNTY GREEN SCHOOL** – Our next student “Green Team” meeting will be January 14, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Jenna Smith at smithjk70@yahoo.com.
STUDENTS WHO EARNED HONORS THIS TRIMESTER - We congratulate these students for their outstanding work, effort and Christian Social Qualities.

High Honors – Students receiving High Honors earn a 3.75 – 4.0. This grade point is an average of points earned in all subjects. The student’s grade must also be satisfactory (√) in Christian social qualities and work study habits.

6th Grade: Zionna Barbee, Grace Clark, Ave Dimond, Rocky Etzkorn, Ai-Vi Hoang, Charlotte Hoang, Ryan Hoang, Zarielle Mendoza, Vincent Tran
7th Grade: Jalen Barbee, Nica Josef, Ryder Leahy, Kevin Nguyen, Lily Nguyen, Jolie Ruiz
8th Grade: Margaret Brown, Charles Dickeson, Madeline Etzkorn, Araceli Felix, Austin Gallagher, Belén Garza-Garcia, Hailey Hiner, Kyle Hoang, Alexi Jimeno, Kevin Le, Ashley McCabe, Thien-An Nguyen, Calvin Sam

Honors – Students receiving Honors earn a 3.5 – 3.74. This grade point is an average of points earned in all subjects. The student’s grade must also be satisfactory (√) in Christian social qualities and work study habits.

6th Grade: Mariyah Galindo, Megan Le, Washington Vu
7th Grade: Alex Cropley, Deuce Kuykendall, Luke Silvernale, Michael Snyder
8th Grade: Gabrielle Donatelli, Maille Duque, Brandon Lick, Michael Mansanarez

FROM THE PARISH

● ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP DRIVE – The Annual Stewardship Drive has begun. All parishioners have received the Stewardship of Treasure pledge card in a mailing sent from the parish office. Those families who enjoy the privilege of an in-parish tuition rate are obligated to fill out a new Stewardship of Treasure pledge card every year, including those families that use EFT. It is also necessary that you honor your pledge.

Please remember for Catholics support of your parish is not an option, it is an obligation. The only option is determining how much of your time, talent and treasure that you give to your parish in return for the blessing that God has given you. Please prayerfully plan your commitment of time, talent, and treasure.

PEAK 7 SNOWSHOEING EXPERIENCE!
Friday, February 5th (Non-School Day)

Open to 6th thru 8th Grade Students

St. Bernadette is participating in the Peak7 Snowshoeing Adventure for 6th, 7th & 8th grade students! Enrollment is limited and on a 1st come - 1st served basis. Mr. Marshall will be chaperoning this winter outdoor experience. The cost is $45.00 per student. Transportation and equipment will be provided. There will be a mandatory “Informational Session” for parents of participating students on Wednesday, January 20th from 5:00-6:00 PM. Please see the attached flyer and cut and return to reserve your spot!
A New Year Prayer

Holy Father,

God of our yesterdays, our today, and our tomorrows.
We praise You for Your unequaled greatness.
Thank You for the year behind us and for the year ahead.
Help us in Your new year, Father, to fret less and laugh more.
To teach our children to laugh by laughing with them.
To teach others to love by loving them.

Knowing, when Love came to the stable in Bethlehem, He came for us.
So that Love could be with us, and we could know You.
That we could share Love with others.
Help us, Father, to hear Your love song in every sunrise,
in the chirping of sparrows in our backyards,
in the stories of our old folks, and the fantasies of our children.
Help us to stop and listen to Your love songs,
so that we may know You better and better.

In Jesus name,
Amen

GENERAL

• KENNEDY CATHOLIC BOOSTER CLUB’S ANNUAL CRAB FEED – Join the Kennedy Catholic Booster Club on Saturday, January 23, 2016 for their Annual Crab Feed. Enjoy all you can eat crab, salad, bread and beer. There will be a raffle and prizes for the best decorated table! Doors open at 5:00 p.m., dinner starts at 6:30 p.m., and dancing at 9:00 p.m. (21 and over, please).
Go to www.kennedyhs.org/crabfeed for additional information and to purchase tickets. All proceeds go to support student athletes at Kennedy Catholic High School.

• TACO TIME FUNDRAISER – Enclosed in each Wednesday envelope is a Taco Time Coupon Book for a $1.00 donation. If you wish to purchase the Taco Time Coupon Book, please send $1.00 to the school office in an envelope marked “Taco Time Donation”. If you do not wish to participate in this fundraiser, please return the Taco Time Coupon Book in your Wednesday envelope.

BLUE FRIDAY – JANUARY 8TH
GO SEAHAWKS!!!
In support of our Seattle Seahawks students may wear Seahawk gear or colors
Friday, January 8th
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NEWS:
Check out the St. Bernadette Panthers Official Website at
www.stbernadettesea.org/cyo-athletics

VOLLEYBALL
Last call for VOLLEYBALL registration. Follow the CYO Sports Sign-up link on the upper left side at www.stbernadettesea.org/cyo-athletics. Registration will close on January 7, 2016. If you need help with online registration, please contact Joe Cropley at joe@cropleytravel.com.

SAVE THE DATE: 2016 CYO Annual Italian Dinner – Saturday, March 5th –
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Following the dinner will be great raffle prizes! Reservation forms will be out soon.

Empty baskets after the holidays? The CYO Italian Dinner Committee can use them! Please drop off baskets at the school or parish office. Thank you!

BASKETBALL
Saturday, January 9th
4th grade girls 9:00 a.m. @ St. Francis vs. St. Francis
4th grade boys 11:30 a.m. @ Our Lady of Fatima vs. Our Lady of Fatima
5th grade boys 11:30 a.m. @ Holy Rosary vs. Holy Rosary

Sunday, January 10th
6th grade boys 2:00 p.m. @ St. Louise vs. St. Louise
7th grade boys 1:15 p.m. @ Holy Rosary vs. Holy Rosary
8th grade boys 1:15 p.m. @ St. Francis vs. Assumption-St. Bridget

If you have any other CYO Athletic questions, please call Joe Cropley at joe@cropleytravel.com or 206-459-2378.

ENCLOSURES:
- 2016 Catholic Schools Week Calendar
- St. Bernadette Student Choir Sign-Up Sheet (Second Session)
- St. Bernadette School Student Canton Sign-Up Sheet (2nd Session)
- Art Class Flyer & Registration Form
- Peak7 Snowshoeing Adventure Flyer & Permission Slip
- 2016-17 Pre-K & Kindergarten Intent “Cut & Return”
- Knights of Columbus Breakfast Volunteer “Cut & Return”
- $1 – Taco Time Coupon Book (Please return if you do not want it for $1)
Catholic Schools Week 2016
January 31 — February 5, 2016

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<td><strong>Communities of Faith, Knowledge &amp; Service</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>In Our PARISH</strong>&lt;br&gt;5:00 p.m. - Saturday Mass&lt;br&gt;8:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass&lt;br&gt;10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass&lt;br&gt;6:00 p.m. - Sunday Mass&lt;br&gt;* Students and families are asked to attend one of the above Masses.&lt;br&gt;* Students in uniform with red sweaters.</td>
<td><strong>Communities of Faith, Knowledge &amp; Service</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>In Our FAMILY</strong>&lt;br&gt;9:00 ~ 10:30 a.m.&lt;br&gt;<strong>Grand Parents’ &amp; Special Persons Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;- 9:00 a.m. – Welcome/Band presentation&lt;br&gt;- 9:30 a.m. - Prayer Service (Church)&lt;br&gt;- 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Class presentations.&lt;br&gt;- 10:30 a.m. – Optional: visiting classrooms&lt;br&gt;- 2016 NCEA button. Wear all week!</td>
<td><strong>Communities of Faith, Knowledge &amp; Service</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>In Our STUDENTS</strong>&lt;br&gt;-Free Dress –Red/Black School Colors&lt;br&gt;-Sack Lunch from Home (NO School Hot Lunch)&lt;br&gt;-11:45 a.m. &quot;Picnic Lunch&quot; in Parish Hall. Parents invited to eat as a family.&lt;br&gt;-12:15 – 12:45 p.m. Parents join in recess!</td>
<td><strong>Communities of Faith, Knowledge &amp; Service</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>In Our COMMUNITY</strong>&lt;br&gt;OPEN HOUSE&lt;br&gt;New Families&lt;br&gt;9:30 ~ 10:30 a.m.&lt;br&gt;(In Multi-Purpose Room)</td>
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Knights of Columbus Breakfast after both morning Masses.<n>Enjoy a family breakfast! All proceeds go directly to the school!<n>Thank you for your support!
The Panther Singers (our school choir) is an elective activity open to students in Grades 3 through 8. We meet on Tuesdays from 2:20 to 3:00. Our first big event of 2016 is singing at Catholic Schools Week Sunday Mass on January 31st. Students wishing to join need to complete a sign up form, attend and participate in class, and make a commitment to attend all rehearsals and performances. There is no charge to participate in Choir.

Class, Mass, and Performance Schedule

Session 2

* Sign-Up form due to Ms. Peila: Friday, January 22nd
* Regular Classes begin: Tuesday, January 13th
* Catholic Schools Week Sunday Mass: January 31st, 10:30 a.m.
* Special School Masses: February 10th (Ash Wednesday), March 4th, April 15th
* May Crowning: May 2nd
* Spring Program: May 5th
* Graduation Mass: June 2nd

Ms. Khalila Peila
Music Teacher and Choir Director

SIGN UP FORM: Session 2 Choir

Please complete form, sign and return to Ms. Peila or the school office by Friday, January 22nd, 2016.

My child __________________ in Grade ______ wants to join the Choir and will be able to attend the classes, rehearsals, and performances.

Are there special circumstances or needs to be aware of? If so, please note below.

Please provide an email address if possible.

email address: ________________________________
home phone: ______________

Parent Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

Student Signature: _________________________ Date: __________
Cantors at St. Bernadette Parish School  
2015-2016 School Year  
CANTORS: Session 2

Cantors at St. Bernadette is an activity open to students in Grades 4 through 8.

Our cantors are Music Ministers on a rotating basis at school Masses; they lead us all in participating in the singing and responses at Mass. They also join the full choir at any Special School Mass. Cantors who are not enrolled in choir will join us once a month on the Tuesday before any Special School Mass. Meeting time on those monthly days is from 2:20 to 3:00.

Students wishing to join need to complete a sign up form.

Class and Mass Schedule

*Sign-Up form due to Ms. Peila: Friday, January 22nd
*Classes through February: January 13th, February 9th, March 2nd, April 12th, April 26th, May 31st
*Special School Masses: February 10th (Ash Wednesday), March 4th, April 15th
*May Crowning: May 2nd
*Catholic Schools Week Sunday Mass: January 31st, 10:30 a.m.
*Graduation Mass: June 2nd

Ms. Khalila Peila  
Music Teacher and Choir Director

---------------------------------SIGN UP FORM: Cantors----------------------------------

Please complete form, sign and return to Ms. Peila or the school office by **Friday, January 22, 2016.**

My child __________________________ in Grade _______ wishes to provide service as a Cantor and will be able to attend the monthly classes and Masses.

Are there special circumstances or needs to be aware of? If so, please note below.

**Please provide an email address if possible.**

email address: ____________________________________________
home phone: ________________

Parent Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

Student Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________
St. Bernadette Parish School  
Winter/Spring Art Classes  

January 25-March 22, 2016  3-4pm in multi-purpose room

Session 1: k-2nd January 25-March 21  8 sessions “Let’s Make Art!”

(no class 2/15) Fee: $80.00 includes materials

Session 2: 3rd-8th January 26-March 22  9 sessions “Printmaking Atelier”

Fee: $90.00 includes materials Questions? contact Kathleen McHugh at mchughart@gmail.com

Register Through The Wednesday Envelope   View Syllabus: https://tackk.com/zw8d1c

Name______________________________

Session____ Grade_____ Phone __________________

Please make checks payable to: St. Bernadette Parish School
 PERMISSION SLIP
Peak7 Snowshoeing Adventure

Yes, my 6th/7th/8th grade student, ________________________________ has my permission to participate in the Peak7 Snowshoeing Adventure. I agree to attend the informational meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. in Mr. Marshall’s room.

Parent Name (Please Print) ___________________________________ Parent Signature ____________________________

SNOWSHOEING EXPERIENCE!

Who: 6th, 7th & 8th grade students ONLY

When: February 5, 2016

Where: Gold Creek

Cost: $45

Drink Hot Chocolate!

Hang out with Friends!

Engage your Spirit!
KINDERGARTEN 2016-2017

Yes, we have a child who is 5 by August 31, 2016, for next year’s Kindergarten:

Child’s Name (Please Print)  Child’s Birthday (Month/Day/Year)

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)  Day Time Telephone

-------------------------------CUT AND RETURN-------------------------------

PRE-KINDERGARTEN 2016-2017
Students must be potty trained.

Yes, we have a child who is 4 by August 31, 2016, for next year’s Pre-Kindergarten. I would like to be placed in the (check one)  ____ AM    ____ PM  class. I understand that the AM class accommodates those families who need to use the St. Bernadette Extended Day Program; and by marking a class preference does not guarantee that is the class to which my child will be assigned.

Child’s Name (Please Print)  Child’s Birthday (Month/Day/Year)

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)  Day Time Telephone

-------------------------------CUT AND RETURN-------------------------------

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

Yes, the following student and/or parent would like to help with the Knights of Columbus Breakfast on Sunday, January 31:  ____ 8:30 a.m. Mass  ____ 10:30 a.m. Mass

Student’s Name (Please Print)  Student’s Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)  Day Time Telephone

-------------------------------CUT AND RETURN-------------------------------