

Bishop John A. Marshall School Friday Notes

SEPT. 29, 2017

MRS. CARRIE WILSON, HEAD OF SCHOOL



Homecoming - Fri., Sept. 29

Mass at BJAMS

Wed., 10/4 8:15 a.m., Celebrant: Fr. Angelito Sumod-ong

Lunch Menu: Oct. 2-6

Mon. 10/2: Egg salad or tunafish on whole wheat sub roll, veggie sticks, Goldfish®

Tues. 10/3: Sloppy Joe on whole wheat bun, baked beans, green beans

Wed. 10/4: Grilled ham and cheese on whole wheat bread, veggie sticks, whole grain pretzels & sunbutter

Thurs. 10/5: Whole grain fish sticks, sweet potato fries, corn, veggie sticks

Fri. 10/6: Whole grain macaroni & cheese, whole grain roll, peas, veggie sticks

Thank you, Mr. Bailey! Mr. Bailey will be departing from BJAMS on October 6 after nine years of service, keeping our building safe and clean and our grounds looking beautiful. We wish him much luck in his new adventure. We will miss you, Mr. Bailey. Thank you for taking such good care of our school and everyone in it!

ASP - There will be no ASP on Fri., Sept. 29 due to Homecoming.

Pre-kindergarten Seeking Donation - Our Pre-K class is looking for a play pirate ship and pirate figurines. If you have these items at home (collecting dust!) and want to donate them to our class, they will be played with and much appreciated.

Yankee Candle Fundraiser - Be sure to check your child's backpack this week for the Yankee Candle Fundraising packet. **BJAMS will receive 40% of all profits that will go towards class funds!** You can have friends and family place orders through you or have them shop right online! Items will ship directly to the shopper -- just in time for Christmas! The sale will run from 10/1 to 11/10. All other orders will be delivered to school before Christmas Break. Just text or email friends and family the link with our group number to shop online. The website is www.yankeecandlefundraising.com. Our group number which is required is #999967358. Shoppers will just need your child's name. The Seller ID can be left blank. Please return all sale envelopes to Mrs. Curran. Nothing needs managed with online sale. Please email Kate Curran with any questions at: kcurran@bjams.org.

Coxsackie (hand, foot, and mouth disease) - We've had several confirmed cases of Coxsackie in the lower school. Here are some of the symptoms to watch for (per www.mayclinic.org): Fever; sore throat; feeling of being unwell (malaise); painful, red, blister-like lesions on the tongue, gums and inside of the cheeks; a red rash, without itching but sometimes with blistering, on the palms, soles and sometimes the buttocks; irritability in infants and toddlers and loss of appetite. The usual period from initial infection to the onset of signs and symptoms (incubation period) is three to six days. A fever is often the first sign of hand-foot-and-mouth disease, followed by a sore throat and sometimes a poor appetite and malaise. One or two days after the fever begins, painful sores may develop in the front of the mouth or throat. A rash on the hands and feet and possibly on the buttocks can follow within one or two days. Sores that develop in the back of the mouth and throat may suggest that your child is infected with a related viral illness called herpangina. Other distinguishing features of herpangina include a sudden high fever and in some instances, seizure. Sores that develop on the hands, feet or other parts of the body are very rare.

As is the case with all illnesses that produce a rash, a student's physician must provide the school with a note indicating when it is safe for the student to return to school.

Craft Club - Starting soon for 4th-8th graders! See informational flyer in this week's Friday Notes!

Craft Club Supply Donations - Please see the attached flyer for supplies we are seeking. Thank you!

Volunteers needed - Please lend a hand to help develop and market the school! We are looking for grant writers, people to write stories for the Compass (our annual school magazine) and help with community events. Please share your talents and contact Mrs. Nordenson. We need YOU!

Rocktoberfest - Come join us on Saturday, September 30 in downtown Morrisville! BJAMS will be pairing with the Morrisville Rotary and will be sponsoring the "Chalk Walk" from 11-3. Stop by our booth and strike a pose with Maddy Ziminsky's own chalk art or come and draw your own! Know a friend who is interested in BJAMS? Send them over and someone will be there to talk to them about our offerings as well as have info packets available. We are still looking for a few extra volunteers for this event. If you are able to help out at our booth by handing out materials or talking about BJAMS please let Mrs. Nordenson know!

Save for Success - Banking days will be Tuesday mornings from 7:30-8:00 a.m.



- ❑ **Homecoming** – Fri., Sept. 29
- ❑ **Picture Retake Day** - Tues., Oct. 10. Whole school photo and band photo will be done on this day.
- ❑ **No School - Staff Development** - Fri., Oct. 13
- ❑ **No School - Staff Development** - Mon., Oct. 16
- ❑ **Half Day - Staff Development** - Fri., Oct. 27. **Dismissal will be promptly at NOON.**

Girl Scout Fall Product Sale is underway - Chocolate, Nuts, Magazines and More. Product Sales are more than just fundraising. It teaches our girls essential life skills of goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills and business ethics. Contact a BJAMS or Morrisville girl scout to find out about in-person or online sales. Don't forget to question the scout about her personal goal, her troop goal, etc. Order taking ends mid-October and delivery is mid-November. Questions: girlscoutstroop51830@gmail.com.

Rice Memorial High School Shadow Day - Are you considering Rice as a High School option? The best way to experience Rice is by scheduling a Shadow Day! We asked our current students what made them decide on Rice and they unanimously responded the Shadow Day made a large impact on their decision! Shadow days at Rice are open to all 8th graders starting on October 10th. Students can spend the day at Rice following a current freshman to their classes. In order to schedule a Shadow Day, please fill out the Rice Shadow Day Request Form (<https://rmhsvt.myschoolapp.com/page/event-detail?siteId=820&ssl=1®ister=21600>) or call Caroline Schafer at 862-6521 X235.

Business Office Reminder: Zero Balance Fridays! All Hot Lunch/ASP charges must be paid in full to ensure charging privileges the following week.

CRAFT CLUB

Hey 4th - 8th graders!! Are you into crafts or interested in trying? Sewing, knitting, crochet, needlepoint, beading, etc... just to name a few. Well you are in luck! Mrs. Boucher is starting a craft club! The number of students will be limited to 20 so sign-up is required.

The start date will be Thursday, October 12, 2017 from 3-4 pm in the project room. This will be a weekly club and we ask for a \$5.00 donation monthly to purchase additional supplies your child will need for the upcoming projects. (I will explain how this works when you sign-up.)

If any of you have some of the following supplies that you'd like to clean out of your storage and donate, we'd gladly take them:

Knitting needles (all sizes)
Embroidery Hoops
Embroidery floss
Hand sewing needles
Batting for quilts and pillows
Pipe cleaners
Latch Hook supplies
Yarn

Fabric scraps (for quilts and rag rugs)
Embroidery fabric
Thread for sewing (machine and hand stitch)
Crochet Hooks (all sizes)
Cardstock for stamping and paper crafts
Christmas ribbons and small ornaments (1 inch)
Felt/Foam sheets
Beads

Also if you have working sewing machines and would like to come in and help teach the club kids how to use them once in awhile, please let Mrs. Boucher know! (I am looking at the January/February "Cabin Fever" time frame for those.)

As always if you have a skill you would like to share with the kids, that is always welcome as well! Contact Mrs. Boucher to set up a Thursday that will work for you!

Sign-ups start this Friday September 29, 2017 and will end on October 11, 2017. If the number goes over 20, your child will be put on a waiting list. **To sign-up send an email to hboucher@bjams.org.** You may also use this e-mail to let me know of supplies you would like to donate and if you want to come teach a class!

Homecoming News

What is Homecoming?

Homecoming is an annual event sponsored by the school and the PTO. It happens at the beginning of October or the end of September while the weather is still seasonable and crisp. This year, Homecoming is scheduled for **Sept. 29**.

At this event, we invite current students, former students, alumni, families, friends, and community members to join us in celebrating the wonderful community that makes up BJAMS. Starting at the end of the school day (between 2:30 and 3:00), many activities are set up for students and children of all ages to participate in. This year, we are working on organizing a soccer jamboree, a pep rally, balloon animals, face painting, bubbles, and more. In addition, the PTO will be having a spirit sale that includes: water bottles, umbrellas, ring lights, calendars, and an amazing BJAMS spirit-sale raffle basket! The eighth graders will hold a bake sale with proceeds benefitting their end-of-the-year trip to Boston. And this year, there will be a guinea pig plop. I can't make this stuff up.

Starting at approximately 4:30 pm, we will have several food vendors offering dinner. Families will pay the food vendors directly if they choose not to pack dinner (which is an option). Feel free to bring blankets and chairs for picnics!

After dinner, when it's dark (at about 6:45 pm), the school plans to host an amazing fireworks display, courtesy of *NorthStar Fireworks*.

I Want To Help!

Those wishing to help out at Homecoming are encouraged to contact the PTO at pto@bjams.org. While this event is extremely fun, there is a lot of work that goes into it. Without the generous help of our wonderful families, the event is not possible!

The PTO is accepting donations to help offset the cost of the fireworks. If you would like to make a donation -- any amount is welcome!

Quick Reminders

Please note that all students must have an adult present at Homecoming, as students cannot be left unsupervised during Homecoming.

At dusk, the playground is closed. The nature trail is not open at all during Homecoming. Children are asked to stay with their parents at all times to ensure safety. Remember to bring sweatshirts and warm clothes for the evening – it can get a little chilly at sunset!

Be sure to visit the school's website at www.bjams.org.

BJAMS SOCCER SCHEDULE

1-2 Soccer

For the 1st and 2nd graders we are going to practice:

Mondays: 3:15 to 4:00

If students can bring a ball and water bottle it would be much appreciated! The coach is Mrs. Silveria (esilveira@bjams.org).

3-4 Soccer

Practices will be: Tuesdays and Thursdays after school at 3:15-4:14 (weather permitting). Boys' Team Coaches are: Jeff Wood (jeffw@concept2.com), and Jeremy Bradley (swimcoach9904@gmail.com).

Girls' Team Coaches are: Sonja Crowe - who is also the team coordinator (sonjacrowe@outlook.com) and Casey Dewey (celticdewey@yahoo.com).

The 3/4 Girls and Boys Soccer teams have a tournament on Saturday, September 30 in Cambridge. Please see cambridgeyouthsoccer.net for the days schedule. Good Luck BJAMS!! If you have any further questions please email Sonja Crowe at: sonjacrowe@outlook.com.

5-6 Soccer

5/6 soccer practices will be on Mondays and Fridays 3:30-5:00. If you have any questions please email Mr. Kuhnle at mkuhnlevt@gmail.com.

See attachment to this week's Friday Notes for 5-6 coed and girls' tournament this Saturday, Sept. 30 in Johnson.

Game Schedule 7-8 Soccer

September 28-29 GAME HOME 4:30 Crossett Brooke Middle School September 29. Training session on Thursday 28 after school 3:15-4:15.

October 2-6 Training session on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th, after school 3:15-4:15.

October 9-13 Training session on Monday the 9th after school 3:15-4:15. GAME at Stowe (location TBD) 4:30 October 12.

October 16-20 Training session on Monday the 16th and Tuesday the 17th after school 3:15-4:15. GAME HOME Lamoille 4:30 on October 19.

