

Bishop John A. Marshall School

Friday Notes

MARCH 16, 2018

MRS. CARRIE WILSON, HEAD OF SCHOOL

AN IRISH BLESSING



Mass at BJAMS

Wed., 3/21 8:15am *Celebrant:* Msgr. Peter Routhier

Lunch Menu: March 19-23

Mon., 3/19: * MENU CHANGE* Salad bar with toppings, whole grain roll, whole grain pasta with chickpeas

Tues., 3/20: Chicken on whole wheat wrap, hummus, veggie sticks, whole grain pretzel

Wed., 3/21: Chili with toppings, whole grain tortilla chips, salsa, veggie sticks

Thurs., 3/22: Whole grain pasta with pesto and chicken, whole grain roll, veggie sticks

Fri., 3/23: **NO SCHOOL**

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

Reenrollment Contract and Early-Bird Discount- Reenrollment contracts will be distributed on March 16, by backpack mail. The deadline for the \$250.00 early-bird discount is Thursday, March 29, 2018. Qualifications to receive the early-bird discount are: return of contract and \$100.00 seat fee (which will be applied to 2018-2019 tuition) on -- or before-- Thursday, March 29th, 2018. The Board of Trustees has set next year's tuition at \$7675.

Report Cards- (grades 3-8) - Just a reminder that report cards will only be available through Renweb for grades 3-8 on March 16. Should you wish to retain a printed copy you will be able to print it through Renweb.

Found- Girl's bracelet in computer lab under computer # 17. If you think it might be yours, please see Mrs. Kohl in the school office.

Fast and Female CHAMP CHAT - Craftsbury 2018- Fast & Female is proud to present an afternoon of on-snow fun and athletic inspiration! Join elite US Nationals racers and Olympians for an afternoon of on-snow games, ski technique and inspirational stories. Connect with professional athletes, meet other girls interested in sports and hear about life as a professional athlete!

WHEN- Wednesday, March 21, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

WHERE- Craftsbury Outdoor Center (535 Lost Nation Rd, Craftsbury Common, VT)

WHAT TO BRING- Participants should wear warm clothing and bring cross-country ski gear and a water bottle. No equipment will be provided.

COST- \$20.00 Online registration closes Tuesday, March 20 at noon. Day of event registration will be \$25.00. Limited scholarships available, please visit bit.ly/FFCraftsburyScholarship to apply. Participation includes an L.L.Bean Fast and Female T-Shirt.

Basketball Reminder- Please return your Basketball uniform to Mr. B! He is still missing 6!

Pre-Kindergarten Screening - Know a family with a child who will be 4 years of age by September 30, 2018 and would love to come to BJAMS? Our Pre-K screenings will take place on Tuesday, April 24th from 1:30-2:30 for prospective students and parents. Space is limited and filling up fast! If you know someone, or are interested yourself, register now at www.bjams.org and reserve a spot!

Circle of Grace/Child Lures- The two designated weeks for Circle of Grace/Child Lures will be the weeks of March 26 and the week of April 2.

Potential 3/4 or 5/6 Girls Lacrosse Club - *Attn. parents:* Are any of your 3/4 or 5/6 girls interested in starting a girls' lacrosse club? Email me ASAP if interested. If we have enough players sign up, we will join the state jamboree scene, with (real) games each Sunday for the month of May. Practices will start in late March / early April and will be once or twice a week at 5:45pm (just like 3/4 basketball). You will need a stick and eye gear although I may have a few sticks that can be loaned out. This can be a fun way to get to know a new sport! (Sorry I can't start a parallel boys' program.) ~ Katie Marvin (katiemarvin@live.com)

K-2 Little Laxers- (free, weekly, co-ed, no games) - Information will come out in a few weeks and parents committed to helping run that should email me. I have the games and drills all ready to go; I just need help to run it. ~ Katie Marvin (katiemarvin@live.com)

17th Annual Middle School Bridge Building Competition - Our 7th and 8th graders will compete on Saturday, March 17, at 8:00a.m. in the Alumni Auditorium at Lyndon Institute in Lyndon Center, Vermont. Their competition entries will be bridges they constructed using only: popsicle sticks, Elmer's white glue, toothpicks, and dental floss. Awards will be given for: greatest resistance factor, gross load, originality, spectacular destruction, and best overall bridge. Come out and support our 7th and 8th graders!

Tumbling Class Gr. K-2 - Tumbling class has started and will continue to take place every Monday from 3:15-4:00 in the Multipurpose Room. Please contact Molly Wilson and Natalie Start at bjamstumblers@gmail.com with questions or to sign your child up. The cost is \$20/month which will go towards starting a gymnastics program here at BJAMS. The new session starts on March 19.

Yearbooks- Yearbook production is wrapping up! To reserve your copy, please write a check payable to BJAMS with a note in the memo for yearbook by Spring Break. Pre-order is the only way to purchase a yearbook at the discounted price. There is no limit per family. Cost is \$20. Please give checks to Mrs. Curran or drop it off at the main office. Cash will not be accepted.

PTO SPONSORED RESIDENCY- Our Pottery Residency is underway! Heather Stearns from Muddy Creek Pottery is back for a second year in a row and we are thrilled. Next dates are Wednesday, March 21 and Thursday March 22 with the celebration being March 28. We will need volunteers to help Heather with each class - please ask your child's teacher for times.

Rice High School For a Day - All 5th-7th graders are invited to attend Rice's High School for a Day (HS4D) program on Friday, April 6th. (There is no school for BJAMS on this day!) HS4D is a unique opportunity for students to familiarize themselves with Rice, their faculty, and students. Students will be able to select different programs led by Rice teachers and staff. They will also eat lunch at Rice, attend a pep rally and a drum line performance. To find out more information and register for this event, contact Caroline Schafer at schafer@rmhsvt.org.

Girls on the Run - Last call for girls in grades 3,4,& 5 to register for Girls on the Run. Registration for the Northern Vermont region closes on Wednesday, March 14th. Registration is online at www.gotrvt.org as well as information on the program, financial aid, sibling discounts, etc...Questions can also be emailed to Kim Lambert (vtkimster@hotmail.com) or Beth Brown (spikehorn_29@hotmail.com).The program will start on Monday, March 19th after school (3:15-4:45) and will continue for 20 sessions (Mon/Wed) until the 5k on June 2nd at the Essex Fairgrounds.

Buildings and Grounds - The Boosters are planning another day of projects at the school on Saturday, March 24 from 8-11. We are going to the storage unit the school has near Rock Art and purging. There are children's school desks, boxes of paperwork, etc. We could use help carting these items back to the school to go into the dumpster, or out front to give away. We are always short on storage at school and this will free up some usable space. If we have enough people we can also install a screen gate on the new exhaust fan in the boiler room and tidy up the room too. PLEASE CONSIDER LENDING A HAND! ~ Ed Olsen

IMPORTANT DATES

Report Cards - Fri., March 16

Dance (6-8th grade) - Fri., March 16 from 7-9 p.m.

No School - Staff Development - Friday, March 23

Booster Project Day- Saturday, March 24

Pottery Celebration - Wednesday, March 28

Half Day - Good Friday - March 30. Dismissal is promptly -- **and silently** -- at noon.

AN IRISH PRAYER FOR SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

As I arise today,
may the strength of God pilot me,
the power of God uphold me,
the wisdom of God guide me.
May the eye of God look before me,
the ear of God hear me,
the word of God speak for me.
May the hand of God protect me,
the way of God lie before me,
the shield of God defend me,
the host of God save me.
May Christ shield me today.
**Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit,
Christ when I stand,**
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

Amen



