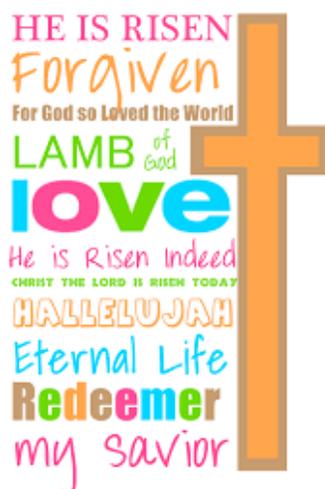


Bishop John A. Marshall School Friday Notes

MARCH 30, 2018

MRS. CARRIE WILSON, HEAD OF SCHOOL

Easter Sunday, April 1



Mass at BJAMS

Wed., 4/4 8:15am *Celebrant:* Fr. Schnobrich

Lunch Menu: April 2-6

Mon., 4/2: Turkey and cheese on whole wheat sub roll, veggie sticks, whole grain Goldfish®

Tues., 4/3: BBQ chicken on whole wheat bun, green beans, sweet potato fries

Wed., 4/4: Egg, sausage and cheese on whole wheat English muffin, yogurt and granola, veggie sticks

Thurs., 4/5: Whole grain macaroni and cheese, broccoli, whole grain graham crackers

Fri., 4/6: NO SCHOOL

Reenrollment Contract and Early-Bird Discount- TODAY (Thursday, March 29) is the last day to return signed reenrollment contracts accompanied by your student's \$100 seat fee (applied to 2018-19 tuition) for your \$250 early-bird discount. There will be no exceptions to the guidelines and deadline above in fairness to all BJAMS families.

Buildings and Grounds Thank You - It was good to get the BJAMS storage unit cleaned out this past weekend and make room for much-needed space. We also cleaned the boiler room and put a screen on the exhaust fan in the boiler room. We had Kevin Dorain, Brian Tomlinson, and my son Evan-- an alumnus of BJAMS -- helping out. We moved many old desks to the front of the school for "adoption" and found things we did not know existed! As usual, the more hands there are, the more fun it seems and the quicker things go. We are planning the next work for an upcoming Saturday (date TBD) to spruce up the school, fertilize the front lawn and flower beds, mulch and trim the front trees ... and lots more! It should be fun to get our school ready for summer. I will keep you all posted when this happens and seek your help.
~ Ed Olsen

Movie Night - Come one, come all Kindergarten through eighth grade students! Movie night will be held on Thursday, April 5th from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Admission is \$5 and will be collected in the hallway. We will have both adult and eighth grade chaperones. Please have your child bring a blanket and pillow and come dressed in comfortable clothing. Please have your student eat dinner before attending this event since only a few nut-free snacks will be provided. (Students are also welcome to bring their own nut-free snack with them.) K through 4th grade will be in the multipurpose room for a showing of *Monsters University*; 5th-8th grade will be in the 8th grade homeroom enjoying the film *Wonder*. Movie Night proceeds will be for the benefit of the 8th grade.

BJAMS Pre-K - 4 STAR Program! Bishop Marshall School's Pre-Kindergarten has recently been recognized as a four-star program in the Step Ahead Recognition System (STARS) by the Child Development Division of the State of Vermont's Department for Children and Families. Vermont STARS recognizes and rewards early childhood programs that go above and beyond Vermont's basic regulatory requirements in providing services to children and families. Laurie Flaherty, Bishop Marshall School's Pre-Kindergarten Director, has spearheaded this effort and has worked tirelessly to further enhance BJAMS early childhood program. Three cheers for Laurie!!

Pre-Kindergarten Screening - 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!

Homework Shelves - If your child is absent and you are seeking homework for them, please look on the free-standing bookshelves located outside the main office. Work will now be placed on these shelves

Old Newspapers Needed - Mrs. O'Neil is greatly in need of newspapers for her upcoming art projects. Please drop your old ones off to the Art Room. Thank you for your help!

Yearbooks- Only two weeks left to preorder your copy of this year's BJAMS yearbook, which is the only way to purchase a yearbook at the discounted price. There is no limit of copies per family. Cost is \$20/yearbook. To reserve your copy, please write a check payable to BJAMS with a note in the memo for *yearbook* by Spring Break. Please give checks to Mrs. Curran or drop it off at the main office. Cash will not be accepted. Thank you!

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



- ❑ **Half Day - Good Friday** - March 30. Dismissal is promptly -- and silently -- at noon.
- ❑ **Honor Roll Assembly (grades 3-8)** - Tuesday, April 3 at 8:05 a.m.
- ❑ **Christian Virtue Assembly** - Tuesday, April 3 at 8:05 a.m. (will be combined w/Honor Roll Assembly)
- ❑ **No School - Staff Development** - Friday, April 6
- ❑ **No School - Spring Recess** - April 16-20
- ❑ **Terra Nova Standardized Testing Week (Gr. 1-8)** - April 30-May 4

Hyde Park Baseball/Softball - Registration forms are in the BJAMS school office for any Hyde Park residents.. \$30 registration fee needs to be sent with a completed registration form to: Ruth Dompierre, PO Box 436, Hyde Park, VT 05655. Checks must be made payable to: HPBBSBA. Questions, call Ruth at 802-557-5203.

Screenagers - Growing Up in the Digital Age - A showing of the award-winning film *Screenagers* by filmmaker Delaney Ruston, M.D. will take place on Sunday, April 8 from 4-6 p.m. at the Unitarian Church of Montpelier at 130 Main Street. Students in grades 5 - 8 are welcome to participate. This powerful 55-minute documentary about teenagers and the use of social media screens is a free event (with donations gladly accepted at the door). Through poignant and unexpectedly funny stories, along with surprising insights from authors, psychologists, brain scientists, and teens themselves, *Screenagers* reveals how tech time impacts children's development and offers solutions on how adults can empower children to best navigate the digital world and find balance. Following the viewing of *Screenagers*, there will be break-out time into small discussion groups. See www.screenagersmovie.com for more information about the film and the filmmaker. Questions? Contact Cathie Ely at 802-456-7400.



Good Friday Prayer

Lord God,
Jesus cried out to you on the cross,
"Why have you forsaken me?"
You seemed so far from his cry
And from his distress.
Those who stood at the foot of the cross
Wondered where you were,
As they saw Jesus mocked and shamed and killed.
Where were you then?
Lord God,
We, too, ask where you are,
When there is trouble and suffering and death,
And we cry out to you for help.
Be near to us, and save us
So that we may praise you for your deliverance.
Lord God,
We wait, on Friday, for the resurrection of Sunday
And sometimes our lives seem a succession of
Fridays
And we cannot see what is "Good."
Teach us to call your name
As Jesus did.
Make us to trust in you like little children.
In Jesus' name,
Amen.

Easter Prayer

Lord God,
You loved this world so much,
That you gave your one and only Son,
That we might be called your children too.
Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace
Of Easter Sunday, everyday.
Let us have hearts of thankfulness
For your sacrifice.
Let us have eyes that look upon
Your grace and rejoice in our salvation.
Help us to walk in that mighty grace
And tell your good news to the world.
All for your glory do we pray, Lord,
Amen.

