



CONNECTIONS

June 13, 2019

Letter from the Principal

Dear St. Benedict Catholic School Families,

We are at the end of another year! As we all look forward toward the summer there are a few important details that I hope will not get lost here as we close our year. To make sure that you see them all I will also be emailing the details to you on Thursday evening!

Staff: I have one more staffing announcement...we are fully staffed for next year! I am very happy to announce that Ms. McKenna Neal will be our 4th grade teacher for the 2019-2020 school year. Ms. Neal is a Washington native and a graduate of the University of Portland (Go Pilots). She comes to us having gained experience in a variety of elementary classrooms (public, private, and Catholic schools). Welcome aboard McKenna!

Construction: As you have probably heard by now...we have another round of construction in the building this summer. Thanks to your generous donations to our Fund-a-Need at the Auction we are going to close the building for about 5 weeks (until mid-July) while we renovate the lower floor to accommodate our incoming counselor and replace the hallway flooring.

The School Office - will be open most of the summer (even during construction). Starting June 24th it will begin to run on shortened "summer hours". This means that the office will be staffed most days and we will be checking voicemail and email. There may be a slight delay in our response, but we will be available to you.

Report Cards: Report cards will be sent out to school families tomorrow, Friday, June 15th. Don't forget it is a 10:30 dismissal!

And finally, thank you for a great year! I hope that all your summer travels and adventures are safe and relaxing. I look forward to seeing you next August.

Brian Anderson, Principal

Important Dates

Thursday, June 13

- Last day of Preschool & PreK
- Field Day
- Pizza & Free Dress

Friday, June 14

- Extended Day Open Before School Only
- Last Day of School K-7
- Awards Assembly: 9:00 AM
- Dismissal: 10:30 AM

Happy Summer Vacation!

Wednesday, August 28

- First Day of School
- Noon Dismissal

Monday, September 2

- Labor Day—No School

Friday, September 13

- Wurst Festival: 4-10 PM
- No School

Saturday, September 14

- Wurst Festival: 10AM-10PM

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Submit Connections articles to:

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3:00 PM Tuesday.

Wurst Festival Raffle Tickets!

Our Wurst Raffle is a big part of the Wurst Festival fundraiser. You should have received your packet of raffle tickets last week in your Thursday envelope. We ask that each family sell a minimum of \$125 in tickets (25 x \$5) as part of the fundraising efforts for the school.

If you run out of raffle tickets and want to sell more over the summer, please contact Yvonne Benson at ybenson@gth-law.com or (206) 914-0633.

All raffle ticket stubs and money should be returned to the school prior to the Festival.

Scrip News!

June is the time for everyone to renew your registrations for Fred Meyer Community Rewards, to specify St. Benedict School for your nonprofit of choice. What that means is that every time you shop at Fred Meyer and show your purple Rewards card, it will ALSO generate a donation to St. Benedict School IF you have gone to their website and specify St. Benedict School. It is how they do corporate giving. If you don't sign up for this, they won't donate anything anywhere. The website is: www.FredMeyer.com/communityrewards.

June is also the time for everyone to renew your registration for E-Scrip. Visit www.escrip.com. Group name: St Benedict School. Group ID# 8566846. Make sure your membership and credit cards and expiration dates are current. Then when you shop or dine at participating merchants, a % goes to St. Benedict School. It is corporate giving. Anything on file from this past year expires in June. You must re-register. These merchants are DIFFERENT than our gift card merchants. E-scrip will contact you after you dine or shop at participating merchants and ask you to do a survey. By completing the survey, they will double the donation to St. Benedict so be sure to do the survey each time.

ALSO, summer is a great time to shop on Amazon. Be sure to go to the school website FIRST: www.stbens.net. Then use the Amazon web portal that is on the school website. Amazon will give back, on average, 5.5% to the school as a referral fee and as part of Amazon Smile. If you also have our scrip gift cards for Amazon, you will generate even more money for the school.

Wurst Sign up!

The Wurst Sign-up Books are available outside the school office. Stop by and sign up for your shift. The sign ups will be available on the volunteer portal "OnVolunteers" by the end of June.



Yearbook Orders—\$18

Order forms for the St. Benedict School yearbook were sent home in your Thursday envelope. **Only one order form and payment is needed per family.** Order your yearbook today! The cost is \$18 per yearbook. Extra order forms are available in the school office.

Lost and Found

Last chance to find your lost sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets and etc.! Please check the shelves in the cafeteria to see if any items belong to you. All unclaimed items will be donated to Goodwill.

CYO Track

Congrats to our St. Benedict/Christ the King Track and Field team for a stellar season! We had 18 athletes this year between the two schools. At the CYO Relay Meet, Lila placed 2nd in the Turbo Jav. RJ won 1st place in the Sprint 800M Medley Relay. Caleb, Lila, Amelia, Alyjana, RJ, Katherine and HaNeul did really well at Preliminary and Qualifying Meets. RJ, Lila, Alyjana, and HaNeul qualified for the Championship Meet, where RJ won the bronze medal in a very close 400 meter race and HaNeul achieved a personal best time in the 1600 meter race. Please congratulate the team when you see them!

Box Tops!

Please remember to collect your Box Tops over the summer.

CYO Cross Country

Cross Country Registration is now OPEN! We welcome grades kindergarten to 8th and runners of all levels. You can register at <http://tinyurl.com/cksstbencyo>

There will be informal weekly meet-ups at Woodland Park throughout the summer. Details coming soon! Please contact Coach Jaime Lin-Yu with any questions at jlinyu@gmail.com