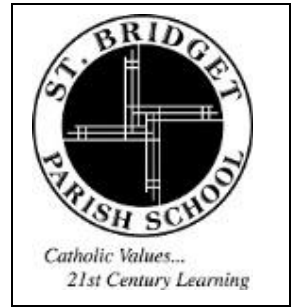


Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017

Dear St. Bridget Parish School Families:

*The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in love.
The Lord is good to all,
compassionate to every creature.*

-Psalm 145:8-9



Whew! We've survived several HOT days! Grades PreK-5 spent some time Friday afternoon in various rooms of our parish church where air conditioning provided relief from the excessive heat. All students were treated to freezer pops originally purchased by Shelley Hovde for Back to School Night. Because they had not frozen enough to serve that evening, we saved them for a day just like Friday! The students LOVED them! Thanks, Shelley!

We ask for your prayers of healing for Mrs. Dannell Nordstrom, PreK teacher, who broke her foot and had surgery last Friday. She will be out for at least another week. Thanks to Mrs. Kim Langer and Mrs. Cathy Wunrow, PreK teachers, and Mrs. Rachel Culp (substitute teacher) who have been filling in during Mrs. Nordstrom's absence.

We also ask for your prayers of healing for Mrs. Starla Dixen's parents who were in a serious car accident. Each will be OK, but Mrs. Dixen has been out a few days to assist with their needs.

School Pictures/Retakes: School pictures arrived today and were sent home with students. If you did not order pictures for your child, and would like to, you may use this link to order online, or to order additional pictures: <http://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/pictureDayId/MI427174Y1>

If you are unsatisfied with your child's picture, please return the entire package before the Oct. 13 Retake Day, with a note for the photographer as to what you'd like different, such as more smile, straighten glasses, etc. Thank you.

Parent Pick-Up Reminder: When picking up your child/ren after school, **please remember** to stay behind the cones and wait until all of the children have lined up in their class line on the blacktop. Some families are trying to take their children at the front door as they come out of the building. This makes it quite difficult for the teacher to ensure that the child has actually been picked up by his/her parent. This is of greatest concern with our younger children and our larger classes. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Dress Code Reminder: This is the last week, until next May, that students may wear shorts to school. Length of shorts, skirts or skorts may be no shorter than 2" above the knee. As children have grown over the summer, what was acceptable last spring may be too short in September. Please remember that shorts, sweatshirts, and capris may not be worn to Wednesday Masses.

MAP Testing Continues: Students in Grades 1-8 began their fall MAP testing yesterday. While this testing is very important, it is not something students should worry about. A nutritious breakfast and good night's sleep will help significantly!

September Spirit Families – Sept. 27: We will have our first Spirit Families activity following Mass on Wed., Sept. 27. We will be making "Thinking of You" cards for graduates of our school who are now in high school. Ask your child what Spirit Family he/she is in!

Blue & Gold Day – Fri, Sept. 29: In celebration of River Falls Wildcat Homecoming, students are encouraged to wear their favorite 'Wildcat Gear' (or blue & gold) on Fri., Sept. 29. Please no face-paint, hats, football gear, or cleats!

October Lunch Menu: The October lunch menu is attached, and a paper copy will be sent home in today's BEE Books.

Home & School Association Mtg. – Oct. 2: All school families are reminded of our first Home & School Association meeting scheduled for Mon., Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m. We will meet in the Before/After Care room, near the PreK classrooms.

PreK Field Trip – Maple Leaf Apple Orchard – Oct. 3: Our PreK students will be taking a field trip to the Maple Leaf Apple Orchard, Spring Valley on Tues., Oct. 3. Students will leave school at 9, and return at approximately 11 am. Permission slips were sent home last week, and are due by Thurs., Sept. 28.



Grandparents Day – Oct. 26: Due to the **wonderful** response in the past to Grandparents Day, and the Fire Code occupancy limit for our school gym, the format for Grandparents Day will change. This year our celebration will be held in the church beginning at 1:30 p.m. Grandparents are invited to visit classrooms from 1 – 1:30, then bring their grandchildren over to church by 1:30. More details, and a reservation form, will be sent out at a later date, but please share the date with your children’s grandparents! We will be asking for parent help with set up, serving, and clean-up. Watch for the Sign-Up Genius link in next week’s E-Buzz. Thanks, in advance, for your help in making this a delightful event for our students and their grandparents!

Parish Block Party – Oct. 28: Have you heard? St. Bridget Parish & School will sponsor a Block Party on Sat., Oct. 27! The plan is for a 5K Brat Trot at 10 am, followed by food and games for families on the school parking lot from 11 – 1, and then an adult type gathering of music, food, and beverages in the evening, following the 5 pm Mass. Plan to join us as we CELEBRATE our parish and school! More information will be coming next week, along with opportunities to help make the activities enjoyable for everyone!

RF PreSchool Screening: Families with 3 and 4 year-olds who have not yet attended a PreSchool screening through the River Falls School District are encouraged to do so on one of two dates, Oct. 19 or Jan. 25. Please see the attached flyer for more information. Pre-registration is required so appointment times can be scheduled.

Upcoming Events:

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| Mon., Oct. 9: | No School – Teacher Inservice |
| Wed., Oct. 11: | October Spirit Families |
| Fri., Oct. 13: | Picture Retakes |
| Mon-Fri, Oct. 16-20: | Gr. 6-7 Wolf Ridge Trip |
| Mon., Oct. 16: | BASE Training, 6:30 pm (at church) |
| Tues., Oct. 17: | Gr. K-5 Hearing Screening |
| Thurs., Oct. 26: | Grandparents Day |
| Fri., Oct. 27: | No School – Diocesan Teacher Inservice in Rice Lake |

May God bless you and your family throughout this week!

Sincerely,

Jeanne McCoy
Principal