

# Blessed Sacrament School

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NEWSLETTER

September 2011



## BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

The beginning of the school year is a special time for all of us: students, teachers, and parents. A feeling of anticipation is perhaps sparked by new school supplies, new clothes, new teachers, and possibly, new classmates. Best of all, is the thought that this is a fresh start, and that this year will be a success. To keep this feeling alive is essential, and members of the school faculty are dedicated to this goal. In this spirit, parents of students in grades 1 through 6 are invited to attend Back To School Night on **Tuesday, September 13, 2011**. You won't want to miss this opportunity to find out everything you want to know about what your child/children will learn in school this year. Teachers will meet with parents in their classrooms according to the following schedule:

<b>GRADES 1A &amp; 1B</b>	<b>6:15-6:40 P.M.</b>
<b>GRADES 2A &amp; 2B</b>	<b>6:45-7:10 P.M.</b>
<b>GRADES 3A &amp; 3B</b>	<b>7:15-7:40 P.M.</b>
<b>GRADES 4A &amp; 4B</b>	<b>7:45-8:10 P.M.</b>
<b>GRADES 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B</b>	<b>8:15-9:00 P.M.</b>

During Back to School Night parents will also have the first opportunity to sign-up for the November Parent-Teacher Conferences. Childcare will be available in the Pre-K classroom.



## WELCOME

We would like to welcome Mrs. Tasha Terzini who will be student teaching in 2B with Mrs. Pelose, Ms. Kathleen Azzolino with Mrs. Wituszynski in 4B, Ms. Jennifer Muller will be in 5A with Mrs. Ferguson, and Ms. Heidi Byrd with Mrs. Locke in 5B. Tasha, Kathleen, Jennifer and Heidi are students at LeMoyne College and are scheduled to be here from early September until mid-October.

On August 24, 2011, we were informed by the SCSD Health Services Department that Mrs. Rita Nicoletti would be our new school nurse. She will be here daily from 8:00a.m. until 1:30p.m. Mrs. Donna Dooley has been reassigned to another school.

## NEW AT BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

This summer we received 13 Apple I Pads with a charging cart. The cart is located in Mr. Long's classroom. Mr. Long, Mrs. Wituszynski, Mrs. Ferguson, and Mrs. Locke also received I Pads and will be using this cart in their classroom with their students. The PTA Holiday Auction proceeds this year will be used to purchase additional I Pads and smartboards for classrooms. Our faculty will be participating in staff development workshops to integrate this technology into their classrooms.



Mrs. Miller, our computer teacher, will be using a new cyber safety curriculum through Common Sense Media. This is a diocesan-wide initiative. Visit [www.common sense.org](http://www.common sense.org) to learn more about what your child will be learning this year in computer class.

## THANK YOU

We greatly appreciate all of the extra effort our custodial staff put forward in preparing the school for a new school year. Bob Decker, Brittany Decker, Josh White, and Chris Maloid have worked extremely hard this summer painting, repairing, and scrubbing our school physical plant. Everything really looks fantastic due to everyone's efforts.

Mrs. DW also put in long hours this summer getting everything ready for a brand new school year. Their dedication and support of the school is to be commended and we are very thankful that they are so committed to our mission.

## MY STUDENTS PROGRESS

Again this year teachers will be using MSP to take daily attendance, for electronically grading, e-mailing parents, and posting grade specific calendar announcements. Shortly after school begins, all parents will receive an e-mail with a password and information on how to access your child's

information. Please be sure that we have your correct e-mail address.

### **BITS AND PIECES**

- Only milk and ice cream will be sold on 9/8 and 9/9. Vita-pup will begin being sold the week of 9/12/11. Nachos and cheese will be sold every Friday for \$1.50 beginning 9/16/11.
- The first meeting of the Parent Teacher Association will be **Thursday, September 22, 2011**, at 7:00 P.M. in the cafeteria. This will be an opportunity for parents to meet with other parents, faculty, and staff and to sign-up for committees. We hope that you will be able to attend. *Childcare and refreshments will be available.*
- The PTA has an account at the Teal Ave. Bottle & Can Redemption Center, located across from Shop City. Please return your bottle and cans at this center and ask the management to credit Blessed Sacrament School's Account.
- Plan now to attend our annual **Rock-A-Thon on Sunday, October 2, 2011**, from 12:30 – 2:00p.m.
- Please continue to save your Campbell Soup Labels. We are able to redeem the labels for educational materials. Your support is greatly appreciated.
- Don't forget to save General Mills box tops that can be found on many items besides just cereal. Turn these box tops into your child's teacher throughout the school year. We receive ten cents for every box top.
- Shop at Price Chopper and help Blessed Sacrament School earn credit for educational equipment. All credit is earned electronically through the Price Chopper AdvantEdge Card. If you signed up last year, you can verify your enrollment at [www.pricechopper.com](http://www.pricechopper.com). If you did not sign up last year, or if you are not sure, please register as soon as possible. Please have friends, relatives, and neighbors sign-up as well. Our school code is 16674. If you do not have Internet access, just fill out the form that was in the first day of school information. When you purchase specially tagged bonus items, our school earns extra points. Thank you in advance for your help and support.
- Save the date for the event of the season! Jump start your holiday shopping on Friday, November 18th as Blessed Sacrament School's PTA presents its 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Auction from 7-10 pm. You'll be sure to find hundreds of unique items including sporting event tickets and memorabilia, weekend get-a-ways, fantastic collectables, handmade items and gift certificates galore! So, gather your friends and family and join us for an evening of cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Must be 21 years or older to attend. Cash, checks

and credit cards will be accepted. For additional information call 463-1261.

### **STUDENTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Students in grades 3 through 6 adopt a parish shut-in to write to and send cards. Students in grades kindergarten through 2nd also correspond with our parish shut-ins as a class through Golden Threads, a monthly newsletter published by our parish. Communicating with the sick and elderly of our parish brings much happiness to all involved in this special project.

Every month we will have a designated tag day. This tag day will be indicated on our monthly school calendar. Students who wish to participate will pay \$.25 for the opportunity of not having to wear their uniform to school. Some months the tag day will be a dress down day or have a special theme. Monies raised from the tag days will be donated to charity.

### **E-MAIL US**

Did you know that you could reach individual teachers and staff by e-mailing them? Below is a list of our e-mail addresses.

Principal	<a href="mailto:apolcaro@syrdioocese.org">apolcaro@syrdioocese.org</a>
Secretary	<a href="mailto:blsacsyr@syrdioocese.org">blsacsyr@syrdioocese.org</a>
TE	<a href="mailto:lkarbowiczak@syrdioocese.org">lkarbowiczak@syrdioocese.org</a>
PK	<a href="mailto:hmetrick@syrdioocese.org">hmetrick@syrdioocese.org</a>
KA	<a href="mailto:sclark@syrdioocese.org">sclark@syrdioocese.org</a>
KB	<a href="mailto:ebaird@syrdioocese.org">ebaird@syrdioocese.org</a>
1A	<a href="mailto:dharris@syrdioocese.org">dharris@syrdioocese.org</a>
1B	<a href="mailto:lmacomber@syrdioocese.org">lmacomber@syrdioocese.org</a>
2A	<a href="mailto:mkstanczyk@syrdioocese.org">mkstanczyk@syrdioocese.org</a>
2B	<a href="mailto:tpelose@syrdioocese.org">tpelose@syrdioocese.org</a>
3A	<a href="mailto:nvennaro@syrdioocese.org">nvennaro@syrdioocese.org</a>
3B	<a href="mailto:kmillay@syrdioocese.org">kmillay@syrdioocese.org</a>
4A	<a href="mailto:plong@syrdioocese.org">plong@syrdioocese.org</a>
4B	<a href="mailto:jwituszynski@syrdioocese.org">jwituszynski@syrdioocese.org</a>
5A	<a href="mailto:eferguson@syrdioocese.org">eferguson@syrdioocese.org</a>
5B	<a href="mailto:rlocke@syrdioocese.org">rlocke@syrdioocese.org</a>
6A	<a href="mailto:kcetola@syrdioocese.org">kcetola@syrdioocese.org</a>
6B	<a href="mailto:scorbishley@syrdioocese.org">scorbishley@syrdioocese.org</a>
Computer	<a href="mailto:kmiller@syrdioocese.org">kmiller@syrdioocese.org</a>
Maintenance	<a href="mailto:rdecker@syrdioocese.org">rdecker@syrdioocese.org</a>

**Please note that the school's website [www.blessedsacramentschool.org](http://www.blessedsacramentschool.org) is under construction and has not been updated. We are so very sorry for the inconvenience. The password to view pictures in our shutterfly account on the website is blessed.**