



St. Benedict School



CHRISTMAS PRAYER SERVICE

A beautiful, spirit filled Christmas Prayer service was held for the entire SBS student body this morning to celebrate the upcoming birth of Jesus Christ. Many thanks to our school choir, Girls Jam, Guys Jam and Christmas pageant performers for sharing their gifts and talents through joyful songs and prayers.

We would also like to give a heartfelt thanks and congratulations to our PTA Advent Committee who worked tirelessly these past few weeks to present the SVdP Food Pantry and RAINE Foundation with over \$12,000 in various donations collected during Advent; including food, gifts, toys, pajamas and monetary donations. Thank you for all your hard work, dedication and efforts to make this Christmas an extra special one for so many in need. You are a blessing to all.

[Check out photos here.](#)

GRADE NEWS

GRADE 1 MRS. BALLON

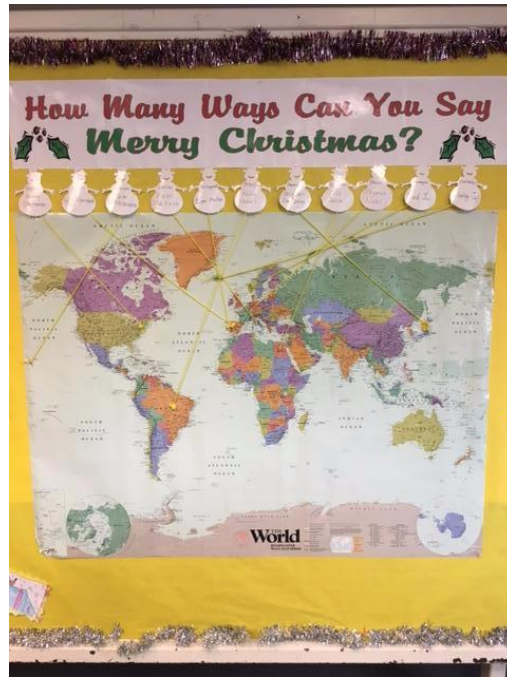
Along with our religious study of Christmas, students in 1A put their creative holiday spirit to use creating these reindeer! Students used directed drawing to create their reindeer and then added a splash of color with paint! Earlier in the month, students also wrote a creative story about Rudolph's nose being a color - other than red!



GRADE 2A

MRS. SOPENOFF

Class 2A learned how to say "Merry Christmas" in 11 languages! We learned about reading a map, the continents, and Christmas traditions from around the world.



SCHOOL CHOIR, GIRLS JAM AND GUYS JAM

On Monday, December 19, SBS presented a successful Christmas Concert in the gym at 7:00 pm. Featured ensembles included the School Choir, Band, Girls Jam, and brand new Guys Jam in their debut performance.

Congratulations to the choir, band, soloists, Girls Jam, and Guys Jam. A perfect evening of Christmas festivities. Thanks, Mrs. Wintjen, Mrs. Remick and Mr. Kelly! And thanks to the Arts Association parents for all your support!



FAITH FORMATION

Christmas Eve Children's Pageant

Children from the school and parish will be participating in the Christmas Eve Children's Pageant at 3:30 pm, Mass will immediately follow the pageant in the SBS Gym.

Epiphany

The feast of the Epiphany is Sunday, January 8th, we are looking for children to dress up as the three Kings to bring up the gifts at all the Masses. If your son/daughter is interested please sign up in the Gathering Space or email Carol Cesario at cesario@stbenedictnj.org.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

SBS OPEN HOUSE VOLUNTEERS WANTED - SATURDAY, JANUARY 28TH

We are in need of parent volunteers for our upcoming SBS Open House taking place on Saturday, January, 28th, 2017. If you are interested and able to volunteer as a parent tour guide on Saturday, January 28th anytime from 2:30-5:30 pm, please contact Lori Ulrich at ulrich@stbenedictnj.org. A follow-up parent meeting will take place in January for training with

Mrs. Wallace. Thank you.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We are in need of parent volunteers for our new school Library. If you are able to donate an hour or so of your time per week, we would love to have you as part of our library team. Currently, we will have open hours from Monday - Thursday throughout the day. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Magnan with your availability at magnan@stbenedictnj.org.

REMINDERS



- **HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER ATTACHMENTS

Please click on the button below to access all of the newsletter attachments for the week.

School Calendar

Don't forget, the website school calendar will reflect the latest event information and any updates to the printed calendar should there be any changes made to dates, times, and locations of events/activities throughout the school year.

Visit <http://www.stbenedictholmdel.org/schoolcalendar>

Principal's Newsletter Packet



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