



# St. Benedict School

## PRINCIPAL NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### [VISION 2017](#)

Many of you may be aware by now that various changes are being discussed and/or planned for St. Benedict School, and I know that these intended changes have generated many passionate thoughts and questions - all of which speak highly of your devotion to your children, and the community of SBS. Accordingly, I invite everyone to join me on the evening of **May 1, 2017** as I present ***Vision 2017***.

*Vision 2017* will provide an academic overview of the changes that will be implemented at St. Benedict School for the 2017-2018 school year, from the inauguration of the new preschool program to the establishment of a true middle-school experience for our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders and the unveiling of a state-of-the-art Science Lab. A brief question and answer session will follow ***if time allows***; however, in advance of the evening all parents are encouraged to submit questions to the following email:

[vision2017@stbenedictholmdel.org](mailto:vision2017@stbenedictholmdel.org)

and, I will endeavor to address any other relevant themes that are germane to the topics of the evening.

The evening will take place in the gym, and will be held in two sessions to accommodate as many parents/guardians as possible. Please plan on attending only one session, as the content will be the same in both presentations.

- **Session 1** - 6:30-7:30 pm for parents/guardians of students in Grades K-4.
- **Session 2** - 7:40-8:40 pm for parents/guardians of students in Grades 5-8.

I look forward to seeing many of you that evening.

### [CHEER CHAMPS](#)

SBS JV Cheer won FIRST PLACE at the St. James Cheerleading competition held at Woodbridge HS over the weekend. They were also awarded a trophy as GRAND CHAMPS for overall highest score at the competition. Varsity Cheer placed SECOND in their division. Congrats to both teams!



### PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Registration is now being accepted for several spots in our PreK4 Class. We offer full and part time classes, but space is limited, so REGISTER NOW! Go to the school website at:

[www.stbenedictholm.del.org](http://www.stbenedictholm.del.org)

Click on the [PreSchool](#) Tab for the registration packet.

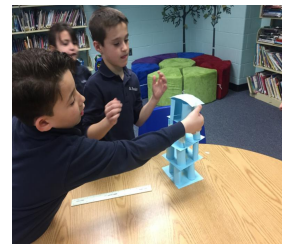
## GRADE NEWS

### STUDENT COUNCIL

On Tuesday, March 21st, the Student Council will be sponsoring a Welcome Spring \$1 dress down. Let's say goodbye to the cold weather and show off our favorite spring colors. For \$1 students can wear their favorite spring colored shirt with their uniform pants, jumper or skirt.

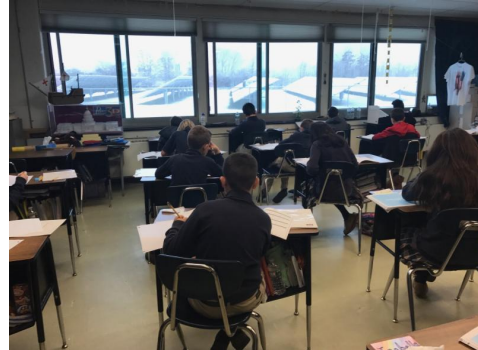
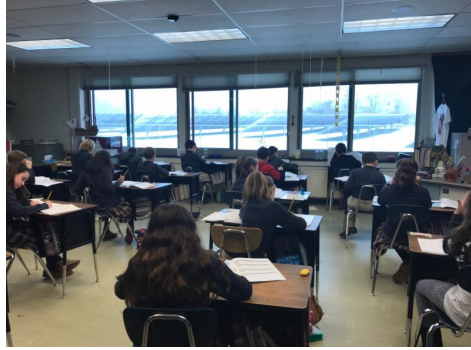
### GRADE 2B MS. OSWICK

2B put their engineering skills to the test this past Tuesday. Their challenge was to build a new high dive board for our friend, Flipper. Students had to plan and design the structure using 20 index cards and had to be 12 inches tall. Students learned how working collaboratively helps to create a successful tower. We reflected after the project and discussed ways we can improve our task the next time we do it.



### GRADE 5A MRS. TUTTLE

Terra Nova in a blizzard!



## [ART - MRS. MERTZ](#)

### **Welcome to Youth Art Month**

March is Youth Art Month, a time to celebrate the visual arts in grades Kindergarten through eighth grade. St. Benedict School will participate in this celebration with some fun student-based activities during the month.

### **Drawing Challenge**

Open to grades kindergarten through fourth grade, students will complete the following list of things to draw and return it to Mrs. Mertz by March 30th. Black and white and/or color artwork is fine. A prize will be awarded to one participant whose name will be drawn from a hat.

### **Art Sticker Design Contest**

Open to grades fifth through eighth, students will create a design for an art themed sticker/button. A prize will be awarded to the winning entry and their artwork will be made into stickers for purchase at the Art Showcase in May. Entries due March 24th.

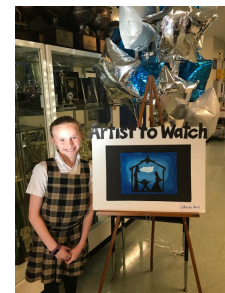
### **Yam Decorating Contest**

Youth Art Month or YAM is the name of our celebration month as well as a vegetable that you can decorate! Dress it up, paint it, or do anything you like; just make the most creative yam ever! This contest is open to kindergarten through eighth grade and a prize will be awarded to the most creative yam! Entries are due on March 24th.

### **Artist to Watch**

Each day a student from each class will be chosen as "The Artist to Watch". This student demonstrates outstanding effort in art class and is a positive influence in the art room. The artist's work will be displayed outside of the main office.

Happy Creating!  
Mrs. Mertz



## CLUBS AND PARENT ASSOCIATIONS

### [ASNA](#)

The morning meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 14th has been rescheduled to Thursday, March 30th at 9:30 AM in the Fr. Anderson library. All parents are welcome to attend.

## REMINDERS

- Confirmation for our eighth graders will take place Friday, 3/17 from 4:00-5:00 pm.
- Report cards will be distributed on Friday, 3/17.

PLEASE NOTE: Genesis Parent Portal

Genesis Parent Access is now closed due to report card processing. It will re-open on Saturday, March 18th.

- SCRIP  
Please note: NO "SPECIAL ORDERS" will be placed for SCRIP cards on Tuesday, March 14. Counter Sale Cards will still be available. "Special Orders" will be available again the following week.
- Reminder that tonight is Jr. CYO March Madness in the SBS Gym starting at 5:30 pm.

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Principal's Newsletter Packet



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