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Grades Pre Kindergarten 3 to 8

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PRINCIPAL NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Watch this week's update from the Principal! Click below.



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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

★ WEEK AHEAD - Key Dates & Reminders

Sunday, 10/1	5pm Mass: 6th Grade Confirmation Journey Welcome Mass
Friday, 10/6	First Friday School Mass at 9am
Monday, 10/9	Columbus Day - School Closed

- ★ **REMINDER** for more important parent information, don't forget to regularly check the FYI page at <https://school.stbenedictholmdel.org/fyi>.
- ★ **EARLY DISMISSAL** Please pick up your child by 1:45 pm and send a note in the morning, if possible.
- ★ **EDP (BEFORE/AFTER CARE)** Registration is ongoing for EDP, but you must register prior to using the service. Forms are available on the school website or [click here](#). The \$25 Registration fee MUST accompany the registration form. Now that after school clubs and sports have started, it is imperative to communicate a

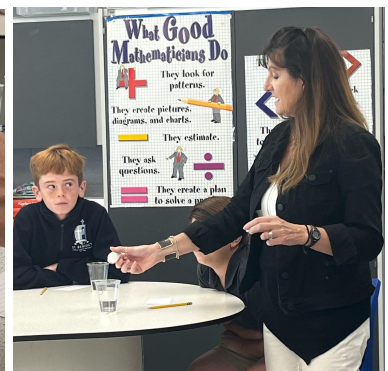
change in transportation to the homeroom teacher with a note in the morning. Parents must also communicate AND/OR give consent to Mrs. Mauro if another parent/guardian/coach will sign out their child from EDP. For sports starting at, or after 4:30, once a student is signed out of EDP, they should be picked up by a parent/guardian at the conclusion of that sport. Please contact Pat Tobino with any registration or billing questions at tobino@stbenedictnj.org.

- ★ **NOW PAST DUE The Emergency Contact Form and Handbook Agreement Form (BOTH sides) are now past due.** Please return ASAP. The [SBS Directory form](#) is now available and due by October 20. Thank you for your cooperation.
- ★ Thank you to the **Family Fun Weekend Festival** business sponsors: ADL Junk Removal, Christian Brothers Academy, Electric Power, Flo-Dar Inc., Knights of Columbus Council 11349, Lauren's Light, Paws R Us, RAINE, Saint Clement Parish, Saint Michael Church, Shore Point Funeral Home, and Universal Fitness Services LLC. Thank you also to the families of SBS including the Catena Family, Clarke Family, Crowley Family, Lewis Family, Montana Family, Rodriguez Family, and Schwarz Family for sponsoring various events at the Friday Family Fun Festival. Your generosity to our parish and school community is deeply appreciated. **Thank you to the parent organizations including PTA, GRACE, Arts, and Athletics, who helped assist in making the weekend a success, and in large part to our amazing PTA members, under the leadership of Mrs. Rodriguez, PTA President, and Mrs. Michels, PTA VP, who worked tirelessly planning the entire weekend to ensure a great time was had by all!**

CLASS NEWS

SEVENTH GRADE SCIENCE

Last week Mrs. Reifenheiser's seventh grade classes finished up the Virus unit with a lab. Three students started out "being infected." Students "mingled" throughout the lab. In the end more students became infected. Students contact traced and determined who were the original three!



SIXTH GRADE

After learning about hurricanes and their impacts on the coast, sixth grade students enjoyed using the science lab to model storm surge. Groups created hurricane like conditions to produce storm surge and witness its impacts on various coastlines.



SIXTH GRADE GIRLS

The **Lauren Hewski Memorial Scholarship** is sponsored by Lauren's Light, a charity organization founded in memory of Lauren Hewski, Saint Benedict School graduate, Class of 2019. This year's scholarship will be awarded to a current sixth grader. The scholarship recipient will receive \$1,500 annually for three years. The scholarship is open to female students that have at least a B average, participate in extracurricular activities, have no disciplinary violations, and remain at Saint Benedict School through eighth grade. Priority will be given to families in need. The application process includes general information as well as three short answer prompts. Interested students must complete the application process for consideration by 11:59 pm on **Friday, September 29, 2023**. The scholarship recipient will be notified via email no later than 5pm on **Friday, October 27, 2023**. To retain the scholarship, the student must remain in good academic standing with a B average and have no disciplinary violations during their Saint Benedict School career. [CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)



Mrs. Mackin KA is also participating in a Spartan Race on October 1 and fundraising for Lauren's Light. Her goal is \$1,750 and is less than \$200 away; we are sharing it with our SBS and Lauren's Light family. Please consider supporting Mrs. Mackin and Lauren's Light. Sponsor her at <https://laurens-light.org/events>.

YEARBOOK

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GET YOUR YEARBOOK

**CELEBRATE
YOUR STUDENT
WITH A YEARBOOK AD**

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PreK-7

ORDER THE 2024 YEARBOOK TODAY: Lowest Price of The Year!

HURRY, this price will not be around for a while.

The yearbook staff is working hard on this year's yearbook. Order by February 23, 2024, to **guarantee** your yearbook this year at [Jostens](#) or call 1-877-767-5217.

EIGHTH GRADE ONLY

ORDER YOUR STUDENT'S YEARBOOK RECOGNITION AD TODAY

Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. In addition, revenues from Recognition Ads help our school create a better yearbook. If you would like to purchase your ad online, please follow the instructions listed below. Jostens is responsible for our school's

yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please also consider our school's ad content guidelines below when you create your ad online. All orders must be placed by **November 27, 2023**.

Yearbooks Ad Link: <https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1057372/St.-Benedict-School/>

PARENT ASSOCIATIONS AND CLUB NEWS

ARTS ASSOCIATION

A special Dine In Night fundraiser is coming to Alternate Ending in Aberdeen to support the Arts Association. On Wednesday, October 11 from 4-10pm, join us at Alternate Ending to dine in and give back 10% of food and drink sales to our wonderful organization. Please see [flyer](#) for details. We look forward to seeing you!

ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR SPORTS TEAMS!

- ★ [Varsity Boys' Soccer](#)
- ★ [Varsity Girls' Soccer](#)
- ★ [Cross Country](#)

CROSS COUNTRY

We are still accepting registrations! Practices will be on Wednesdays at 4pm for runners in 3rd grade and up and the meet schedule is below. Commitment time is 1 hour per week for practice and 2 hours on race day.

- ★ Sunday, 10/8 at Holmdel Park at 8am
- ★ Sunday, 10/15 at Ocean County Park at 8am
- ★ Sunday, 10/22 at Holmdel Park at 8am
- ★ Sunday, 10/29 at Ocean County Park at 8am

Please direct all sports inquiries to Meaghan Lewis, Athletics Director, at athletics@stbenedictnj.org.

GRACE

It's back! St. Benedict School GRACE presents the "You've Been Boo'd" Fundraiser!

- ★ **Date(s):** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 - Monday, October 30, 2023 (Boo'ing will occur on 1 night during this time frame)
- ★ **Time:** At Night
- ★ **Location:** Any St. Benedict School Family (Staff Included)
- ★ **Price:** \$20 (This price includes a 1 night rental of the signs)

*The price is inclusive of 10 lawn Ghosts and one Larger "You've Been Boo'd" sign, plus delivery.

[CLICK TO BOO HERE](#)

PTA

SAVE THE DATE: TRUNK-OR-TREAT ON 10/26

The PTA is excited to continue the annual [Trunk-or-Treat](#) tradition. The Trunk-or-Treat will be held on Thursday, 10/26 from 4:00-5:30 pm in the SBS parking lot. There is no fee for participation.

Help make this a great event by:

- ★ Decorating Your Vehicle: [Click here](#) to find more information and to register your vehicle by Friday, 10/20.
- ★ Volunteering at the Event: [Click here](#) to sign-up as a volunteer to make the event safe and fun by Friday, 10/20.
- ★ Going Trick-or-Treating: [Click here](#) to register to trick-or-treat at the Trunk-or-Treat by Friday, 10/20.

For additional information, please see the Weekly Packet. Any questions can be directed to Erin Michels at michelsp1@stbenedictnj.org.

3 DRESS DOWN PASSES FOR \$10

Purchase a set of 3 dress down passes (one for any day in October, one for any day in November, and one for any day in December excluding Mass days) for \$10. Additional details are provided on the [order form](#) that can be completed and returned to school with payment.

NEW FAMILY ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The PTA was thrilled to welcome so many of our new students and their families at the ice cream social. Thank you for attending!

FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL

Thank you to all who joined us last weekend for the Family Fun Festival, Family Movie Night, and Bingo! It was a great success and we hope everyone enjoyed themselves! We would also like to thank all of the adult and teen volunteers who gave their time to help us throughout the weekend! Special thanks go to Mr. Cammarano, Mrs. Mackin, and the teens who braved the wind chill and spent time in the dunk tank! It was a *splash*!

LAUREN'S LIGHT: EXPLORERS CLUB

All SBS middle school girls in Grades 6-8 are welcome to attend the first club meeting of the year on Tuesday, October 3 in the FAL right after school. Mrs. Hickman and Mrs. Hewski will be giving an introduction to the club and the board members will be present to meet and greet.

All SBS girls in Grades 6-8 are welcome to attend the first meeting to learn more about the club. You can also sign-up here: <https://laurens-light.org/youth-member-registration>

MIDDLE SCHOOL CYO

ST. BENEDICT C.Y.O. 2023-2024 "EPIC GAME NIGHT"

- ★ Monday, October 23
7:00-8:00 pm
SBS GYM

This event is for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Junior CYO. New members are heartily welcomed. Come for Food, Fun, Drinks, Music, Games. RSVP to Ciro by Friday, October 20 via email to saverino@stbenedictnj.org. Read more [here](#).

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS

Learn more about American Heritage Girls [here](#). Please fill out interest form [here](#).



REBEL RACK

If you have general questions about returns, exchanges, sizes and store inventory, please contact Lori Ulrich at 732-264-4712 ext. 39 or email rebelrack@stbenedictnj.org.
THANK YOU!

GYM UNIFORM ORDERS

ALL ORDERS PLACED DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER ARE NOT IN YET. Summer ordering is encouraged as it avoids a delay in receiving the proper gym uniform items in time for school. Please do not email the Rebel Rack if you have not received your order yet, we are awaiting vendor deliveries and orders will be sent home asap. If you are missing items, see school email sent on Thursday, September 21 for appropriate dress on gym days. Thank you.

ORDERING FORMS AND LINKS

The SBS Rebel Rack accepts Venmo payments. All purchases made in-person at the shop can accept Venmo as payment. The Rebel Rack can be found at:

Venmo **@Rebel-Rack**

<https://www.venmo.com/u/Rebel-Rack>

The QR code to scan is available at the shop, also pictured on the right.

Rebel Rack orders are also done via paper order [form](#) (sent with cash or check to School Office, Attention: Rebel Rack).



SBS Rebel Rack

@Rebel-Rack

- ★ **ORDERS** for SBS Gym Uniforms will be taken via credit card through the online link [here](#).

(Refer to the [Gym Uniform Ordering page](#) for uniform photos, dress code requirements, and sizing information.)

- ★ For the Rebel Rack paper order form listing all apparel and spirit items, see paper order form [here](#).
(NOTE: Gym Uniform items are also included on this form if you prefer to pay with cash or check.)

- ★ For full-zip hooded sweat jackets, please [email Lori Ulrich](#) with your order request.

SIZES AVAILABLE: Youth Large, Youth XL, Adult Medium

Please send cash or check made payable to St. Benedict School for \$25 to the attention of the Rebel Rack.

- ★ For Full-Zip Fleece Jackets, you can purchase at [Flynn O'Hara](#). *Note: This is the only jacket allowed to be worn throughout the day with the SBS uniform.



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REMINDERS

- ★ **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Located on the website in the top left titled "Calendar" or bookmark the page here:

<https://school.stbenedictholmdel.org/calendar-1>

★ **SBS SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNELS**



SCHOOL FACEBOOK

The official Facebook page for St. Benedict School is:

<https://www.facebook.com/SBSprincipal/>



SCHOOL INSTAGRAM

@stbensholmdel



SCHOOL TWITTER

@stbensholmdel

WEEKLY PACKET

Don't forget to read all of the newsletter attachments for the week; all flyers, upcoming events, and any parent organization or club information is found here. Please see the link below to access all of the newsletter attachments for the week.

<https://school.stbenedictholmdel.org/fyi>