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PRINCIPAL NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



Subscribe to the new **St. Benedict School Holmdel** channel here: [YouTube Channel](#)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

★ WEEK AHEAD - Key Dates & Reminders

Friday, 2/16	Half Day - Early Dismissal 12:15pm SBS Open House 1-3pm
Monday, 2/19	Presidents' Day Holiday - School Closed
Wednesday, 2/21	Arts Association Meeting at 7pm Parents should meet in MakerSpace, enter through Door # 11.
Thursday, 2/22	STEAM NIGHT with Mrs. Mackin 5-7pm

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- ★ **CURRENT FAMILY SIBLING REGISTRATION forms for new students are now due.** Please bring them in as soon as possible to ensure a space for your child.
 - ★ **SCHOOL MASS** Parents please be aware that all of the church doors are locked except the back door (Door 6). Please drive around the back of the church to enter for all School Masses. Thank you.
 - ★ **FILING FOR DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR the 2024-2025 School Year** The Tuition Assistance Applications for the 2024-2025 school year opened on November 1, 2023. You will be able to access the application through the link on the SBS website under:
PARENTS - FINANCIAL INFORMATION - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
 - The application opened on 11/1/23.
 - The Round 1 Deadline is 3/1/24.
 - The Round 2 Deadline is 5/13/24.

For additional information, please refer to the Diocesan Tuition Assistance letter located [here](#).

CLASS NEWS

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Mission Race is here! In lieu of the Lenten boxes, this year the Student Council has organized a coin collection race between grade levels. Each class will collect as much change as possible between Ash Wednesday, February 14 and Friday, March 22. The change will be combined by grade level. The winning grade level will receive a movie and popcorn party. Start collecting your spare change! There are grade-level buckets set up in the front of the school for the coin collection (bills won't be turned down). Student Council will visit classrooms to collect the donated money periodically. All proceeds will go to the Missionary Childhood Association which has helped more than 25,000 children in the region of Malawi. During this sacred season, we remember that Jesus sacrificed himself which is the biggest gift. As we keep that in mind, please pay it forward and donate your change. Thank you so much for your support!



YEARBOOK

PreK-7 REMINDER: ORDER THE 2024 YEARBOOK TODAY

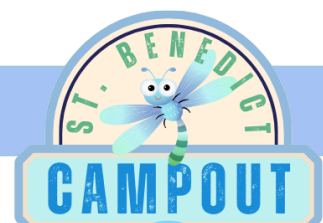
The yearbook staff is working hard on this year's yearbook. Order by February 23, 2024, to **guarantee** your yearbook this year at [Jostens](#) or call 1-877-767-5217.

CAMPOUT 2024 IS BACK!

Campout Summer Camp is created specifically for children entering PreK4 through second grade in September 2024. Our focus is to allow our young learners to grow academically and socially in a fun and engaging environment. Campers will enjoy indoor and outdoor experiences designed to engage their natural curiosity, expand their academic skills through interdisciplinary exploration, and most importantly, have fun! Campout at SBS believes that our youngest children learn best when they are fully engaged in hands-on and minds-on experiences. We also believe that play is a key component to early development and enables our campers to develop to their highest potential.

DATES: JULY 8 - AUGUST 16, 2024

- ★ 6 full weeks of themed-activities.



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- ★ Camp days are Monday through Friday from 9am to 3pm.
 - ★ Register for all 6 weeks or pick and choose the weeks that suit you and your schedule.
 - ★ Weekly Pizza available on Fridays.*
 - ★ Air Conditioned Indoor Facilities including play area for rainy days!
 - ★ Great Outdoor Learning Center and Natural Playscape

*Additional Fee

Age Requirements:

- ★ Child(ren) must be four years of age by October 1, 2024.
- ★ Child(ren) must be entering PreK 4 up until Grade 2 in September 2024.

REGISTER [HERE](#)

PARENT ASSOCIATIONS AND CLUB NEWS

CALLING ALL PARENT VOLUNTEERS!

Do you serve on a parent organization? Volunteer at a club? Help out as a class parent? Never met a volunteer sign-up sheet you didn't like? Do you find yourself a chronic handraiser to help out our school and students? If the answer is "yes" to any or all of the above, then you are invited to a special SBS Volunteer Appreciation Night.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, March 14, 2024

St. Benedict School welcomes all school parent volunteers for a night of appreciation on Thursday, March 14, 2024 from 6-9pm in the School Gym. This event is our way of saying "thank you" for all that you do for our students and school community. Please note, this evening is intended for adults only, food and alcohol will be served. Please RSVP below so we can have a headcount to plan accordingly.

[RSVP](#) here by Monday, March 4!

Thank you and we hope that you can make it!

DRAMA CLUB

The Drama Club is hosting a Moana Beach Bash on Saturday, March 9 from 12:00 to 1:30 pm in the SBS Gym. Click here to [RSVP](#). Due by March 1.

Booster Ads are now on sale for the Moana Jr. Playbill, click [here](#) for order form. All ads are due TODAY, February 16!

GRACE

Don't forget, the Gertrude Hawk fundraiser is still on until next Tuesday, February 20! Chocolate will be delivered before Easter break!

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POLAR PLUNGE

We want to thank everyone who participated in the Polar Plunge, whether you took the plunge, donated towards someone, or just came out for moral support. It was an amazing day! We raised just under \$7,000!

We would like to congratulate our top 3 fundraising families:

1. The Plunging Puma's raised \$1,335 and won the 55" LG TV.
2. The Jagdeo Family raised \$835 and won a \$200 Live Nation gift card.
3. The Palach Family raised \$645 and won the JBL Bluetooth Speaker.

Congratulations to Mrs. Mackin for being the top fundraising teacher who raised \$617 and won the Spa gift card! We appreciate you always supporting us and participating in the Plunge.

Also, a big thank you to Mr. Cammarano who raised money for our school and took the Plunge for the first time. We hope you had a great time and will join us again next year!

DANCES

The Gentleman & Young Ladies Dance is Friday, March 1st from 6-9pm at Jacques Reception Hall in Middletown. Details have been sent home and emailed. If you have any questions, reach out to the pta@stbenedictnj.org

The Ladies & Young Gentlemen Dance is Friday, March 8th from 6-9pm at Jacques Reception Hall in Middletown. Details have been sent home and emailed. If you have any questions, reach out to the pta@stbenedictnj.org

SAVE THE DATES

Amazing books are on the way! March 13th-15th is our Book Fair! More details to come!

Delightful gifts & basket bliss! The annual PTA Gift Auction is April 26th! More details coming soon.



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!



SBS Rebel Rack

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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)

<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).

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



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Scan this code to pay

(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

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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>