

# SBS NEWSLETTER

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## OPEN HOUSES

*Saturday, January 27, 2024*  
*Friday, February 16, 2024*

REGISTER ONLINE AT:  
[SCHOOL.STBENEDICTHOLMDEL.ORG/OPEN-HOUSE](https://SCHOOL.STBENEDICTHOLMDEL.ORG/OPEN-HOUSE)

ST. BENEDICT SCHOOL  
*Grades PreKindergarten through 8*  
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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

<b>Sunday, 2/4</b>	Polar Plunge Sea Bright Municipal Beach at 12pm
<b>Monday, 2/5</b>	St. Blaise Throat Blessing
<b>Wednesday, 2/7</b>	<a href="#">Urban Air Trampoline Fundraiser</a> 4-8pm support the Eighth Grade Class <a href="#">Hazlet Town Center</a>
<b>Friday, 2/9</b>	Souper Bowl Dress Down Day Students may donate \$3.00 to dress down today.

★ **OPEN HOUSE** Our second Open House will take place on Friday, February 16, 2024 from 1-3pm.

★ **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.

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- ★ **RE-ENROLLMENT FORMS** are now PAST DUE. Please return them ASAP. Contact the school office if you need to have one reprinted.
  - ★ **TEXTBOOK** and **TRANSPORTATION FORMS** are now PAST DUE. Please return BOTH forms for each 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](#).
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# CLASS NEWS

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

We had a jam packed week of activities for our students, staff, and faculty. We celebrated our community, nation, students, vocations, and best of all, our school! Check out our [album of photos](#) to see highlights of a long, fun-filled week.



## SEVENTH GRADE AUTHOR

We have a published author among us. Mariam N. in seventh grade has written three novels including one solo book called *With Failure Comes Success*. Professor and Screenwriter Joshua Shelvo presented her published copies of her books at Yale University on December 9th. She belongs to a budding young group of artists called Written Out Loud.

### Mariam's Yale Book Presentation



## STUDENT COUNCIL

Every year the middle school runs a food drive for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Students bring in cans of soup and other nonperishable foods and place them in the shopping cart designated for their Super Bowl team pick. On February 9th we count the votes and predict the winner of this year's Super Bowl. Please help stock our food pantry! Bring in CANS OF SOUP to your homeroom and VOTE for the team you want to win the SUPER BOWL. From January 29th until February 9th we will keep a tally of your votes and announce SBS's winning pick for the Super Bowl champions on Friday, February 9th!  
Remember 1 Can = 1 Vote

**STUDENT DRESS DOWN DAY** = \$3 Dress Down Day for the Super Bowl is next Friday, February 9.

**THE "SOUPER" BOWL**

**Please help stock our food pantry!**

Bring in **CANS OF SOUP** to your homeroom and **VOTE** for the team you want to win the **SUPER BOWL**.

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**1 Can = 1 Vote**



## 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.

## CLASS OF 2024 FUNDRAISER

Mark your calendars! The eighth-grade class will be hosting a fundraising event at [Urban Air](#) in Hazlet next Wednesday, February 7 from 4-8pm. Make sure to mention you are there for the St. Benedict School's Spirit Night! All proceeds will go to the eighth-grade class!

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## 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.



- ★ 6 full weeks of themed-activities.
- ★ 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.
- ★ Daily snack provided.
- ★ 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 must be four years of age by October 1, 2024.
- ★ Children must be entering PreK 4 up until Grade 2 in September 2024.

**REGISTER [HERE](#)**

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# PARENT ASSOCIATIONS AND CLUB NEWS

## ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

Spring Registration is open and will close on February 15, no exceptions. Please make sure physicals are up-to-date with the nurse.

**[REGISTER HERE](#) FOR SPRING SPORTS**

Come support the Boys Varsity Blue and Boys Varsity White in their Playoffs for the Parochial School league.

Details:

- ★ Boys Varsity Blue: Sunday, 2/4 3pm at St. Dominic
- ★ Boys Varsity White: Wednesday, 2/7 6pm at Holy Cross

Lastly, I am still working on Bowling, as soon as I am able to secure a start time and date I will send out an email to those who have already signed up.

~Meaghan Lewis: Athletic Director

[athletics@stbenedictnj.org](mailto:athletics@stbenedictnj.org)

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## PTA

### POLAR PLUNGE - 2 DAYS AWAY!

Mr. Cammarano, our principal, will be taking the plunge on February 4th! Please sponsor his plunge [here](#) and remember to enter Mr. Cammarano's name on the form. Every bit helps to raise money for our school!

- ★ We are still selling SBS Merchandise! Order and pay online by credit card, follow the link [here](#). Or send in cash or check (made out to SBS PTA) along with the Swag Order [Form](#).

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Sea Bright Municipal Beach this Sunday, February 4th at 12pm.

### SAVE THE DATES

- ★ March 1st - Gentlemen & Young Ladies Dance
- ★ March 8th - Ladies & Young Gentlemen Dance
- ★ More details to follow!

### OPEN PTA MEETING

We would like to thank everyone who attended our open meeting on Tuesday night. We had very successful communication and appreciate everyone's feedback and willingness to help. Parents - Be on the lookout for an event survey coming to your inbox soon! We want to hear from you!



### 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](mailto:rebelrack@stbenedictnj.org). 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).

- ★ **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**



SBS Rebel Rack

@Rebel-Rack



**venmo**

Scan this code to pay

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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

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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>