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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

Friday, 3/8	Report Cards - Available on Genesis Ladies and Young Gentlemen Dance at 6pm Jacques Reception Center
Tuesday, 3/12	Lenten Reconciliation Service
Wednesday, 3/13	PTA Book Fair
Thursday, 3/14	PTA Book Fair SBS Volunteer Appreciation Night 6-9pm
Friday, 3/15	PTA Book Fair St. Patrick's Day Dress Down Day \$3.00

★ **TARDINESS/ATTENDANCE** - Parents, please make every effort to have your children arrive to school **on time**. It is a great disruption to the class and not beneficial for your child to arrive late. Remember that you may drop off as early as 7:30 am in the chute, and before 7:45 am the line moves quickly. We appreciate your cooperation with this important matter.

★ **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

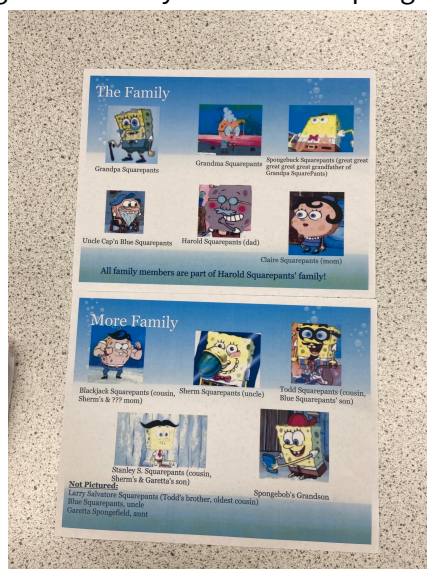
- The application opened on 11/1/23.
- The Round 1 Deadline is 3/1/24.
- The Round 2 Deadline is 5/13/24.

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

CLASS NEWS

SCIENCE

Seventh grade has been studying genetics and pedigrees. On Wednesday they were tasked to create a pedigree for Sponge Bob's family tree to see if Sponge Bob really belongs!



CLASS OF 2024

EASTER EGG HUNT

The bunny is coming back! SBS Class of 2024 is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Holy Saturday, March 30 at 11am on the SBS front lawn. The hunt is open to all parish and school children in Grades 5 and younger. Cost is \$10 per child. Register by Friday, March 22, click [here](#).

PARENT BREAKFAST

As we wind down the year for our eighth graders, on Thursday, May 30, St. Benedict School will be honoring the Class of 2024 at their final Mass which will take place at 9am. All parents are welcome to attend. Following the Mass, the

eight graders will enjoy breakfast hosted by the class parents. Father Garry and Mr. Cammarano would also like to cordially invite all of the 8th grade parents to attend the breakfast in the SBS Gym. Breakfast and coffee/tea will be served to parents as well. **Please [RSVP](#) if you can or cannot attend the breakfast by April 30.** Thank you and hope to see you then!

CLASS OF 2025 FLEECE ORDERS

Please see order form now posted for the SBS Class of 2025 quarter zip fleeces [here](#). These fleece jackets are for the rising eighth graders Class of 2025 and can be worn over their uniform during their eighth grade year only.



YEARBOOK

ORDER THE 2024 YEARBOOK TODAY

ONLY **60** copies are left for sale. Please be sure to order soon to guarantee a yearbook. We will not be ordering any extras. Order at jostens.com.

CAMPOUT 2024 REGISTRATION

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.
- ★ 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

ARTS ASSOCIATION

The SBS Revue, our annual family talent show, will be held at St. John Vianney High School the evening of April 19. Information about auditions can be found [here](#). We are looking forward to seeing our talented SBS students perform! See the weekly packet for audition details.

Moana Jr. tickets are now on sale, see the Weekly Packet or click for [order form](#).

GRACE

REMINDER: Gertrude Hawk fundraiser orders will be delivered before Easter break!

LAUREN'S CLOSET CLOTHING DRIVE

CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS FOR SPRING?

The Explorers Club is collecting pre-loved casual and dressy TEEN clothing and accessories in desirable brands for GIRLS AGES 12-18! Please place all clothing donations in the bins outside the wings from March 11 - March 29. See flyer [here](#) for more details.

Let's give girls a chance to create new looks that will build self confidence and help them tackle the day with a "fit" all their own. New or gently used clothing gladly accepted.

All donations will go to Lauren's Closet, part of not-for-profit organization Lauren's Light, who will distribute clothing to teenaged girls in need. Thank you for your support.

PTA

LADIES RETREAT

As previously announced, the SBS PTA is excited to sponsor a free event in March led by Mrs. McCahill that focuses on Women in the Bible. We hope this will provide an opportunity for our community to come together, learn, and enjoy each other's company. On Saturday, March 16th from 10am-12pm in the FAL :*Young Ladies and Motherly Mentors Retreat*. Mrs. McCahill will host a retreat for 5th-8th grade young ladies at SBS as well as any Moms in the school community. For those 5th-8th grade young ladies who are attending, we encourage them to bring a motherly mentor (mother, grandmother, aunt, godmother, etc.) with them. This retreat will bring these ladies together to build the power of women through female role models in the Bible.

Please mark your calendars and register your attendance [here](#).

RSVPs are due no later than Wednesday, March 13th.

PTA BOOK FAIR

Amazing books are on the way! March 13th-15th is our Book Fair! Details have been sent out via email along with Volunteer sign ups! If you are Virtus trained, fingerprinted, and background checked you may sign up to volunteer. Please sign up here for [Wednesday](#), [Thursday](#), or [Friday](#). We appreciate the help!

Parents and Parishioners will also have the opportunity to shop on Wednesday night from 5:00-7:00pm.

PTA GIFT AUCTION

Delightful gifts & Basket bliss! The annual PTA Gift Auction is April 26th!

As we prepare, we will be announcing some of our sponsors you will find in the baskets at the auction! We hope to see you there!



ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

Congratulations to the JV Boys 5/6 Blue Basketball team who won the Northern Monmouth Parochial Basketball League CHAMPIONSHIP on Thursday, February 29. The boys won 30-13 versus St. Gabriel at an away game. Many thanks to the hard work of the coaches and the players for a terrific season. Way to go, Rebels!



The Varsity Boys 7/8 White Basketball team won the best of three Consolation Tournament on Sunday, March 3 for the Northern Monmouth Parochial League. They defeated St. Jerome's with a score of 46-36. Congratulations Rebels!



Congratulations to SBS eighth grader Salvatore D. who was awarded the 2024 Murray Family Presidential Award by the Board of Monmouth Ocean County Parochial Basketball League. Nominees of this award demonstrate outstanding character, sportsmanship, and are role models for our Catholic Faith and Education each time they step onto and off the basketball court. Salvatore, along with the other league nominees, are outstanding players who are walking examples of the League's mission, vision, and core values. Salvatore will receive this award at an Award Ceremony hosted at Mount Carmel on Sunday, March 10 at 2:30pm. At the ceremony, Salvatore will be recognized for winning the award, along with the nominees who will also receive an award for being nominated to this prestigious accolade. Congratulations, Salvatore!

Monmouth-Ocean County Parochial Basketball League Varsity All Star Games will be held on March 10 at Mount Carmel Parish Center. The Girls' All Star Game is at 1pm, the Boys' All Star Game is at 2pm.

The following eighth grade players were nominated by the coaches for the All Star Game:

- ★ Varsity Boys Blue - Joseph R.
- ★ Varsity Boys White - Austin P. and Danny P.
- ★ Varsity Girls - Antonia J.

Seventh grade boys made it to the Championship for the 7th grade boys basketball tournament. Game is also Sunday at 10:30am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Best of luck and congratulations to the All Star athletes and teams. Come out and support the REBELS!



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!

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 below.



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
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>