

# The Paw Print

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# Mrs. Wallace Celebrates 25 Years!

# By: Lizzy Hennessy and Lucia DelGiorno

May 7th is now the official "Rose Wallace Day" in the Saint Bernadette Community! Mrs. Wallace has been teaching at Bernies for twenty-five years. We have all been blessed to have Mrs. Wallace in our community and by her having decided to spend her teaching years with us at Bernies. Mrs. Wallace is selfless, passionate, and an overall amazing person. All the students at Saint Bernadette School can always count on

Mrs. Wallace being there for them.

On Tuesday, May 7th, the Saint Bernadette community honored Mrs. Wallace. We prayed for the health and safety of Mrs. Wallace and her family. As a school, we also made cards for her that told her how much she means to us. We also made a video that showed Mrs. Wallace how much we care for her. In honor of Mrs. Wallace being at Bernies for so long, there will now be a scholarship in memory of her son,

Kevin. This scholarship will be given to an eighth grader who has all the great attributes of her son! The morning went fantastic and it was a memorable moment as a student at St. Bernadette.

Mrs. Wallace is a huge part of St. Bernadette. She is not only a spectacular gym teacher, but so much more. She does so much around our school that we would never be able to do without her. She is an amazing P.E. teacher who takes part in so many roles at our school, such as Student Council, which she is so involved. She helps to organize the meetings, the end of year election, Jingle Ball, Troop Tango (everyone's favorite dance party), and so on. She also organizes everyone's favorite day of the year, Blue and White Day!!!

We are so grateful for our teacher and role model Mrs. Wallace here at St. Bernadette School, and wish her all of the happiness in the world! Mrs. Wallace is the best teacher we could have ever asked for, and we would want nothing more than her here at our school.



Mrs. Montie congratulates Mrs. Wallace.

#### **DID YOU KNOW...**

Many dogs can count to five and understand about 165 words, including signs and signals. The smartest dogs understand up to 250 words.



# **Elementary Reading Olympics Coming to St. Bernadette School**

by: Cassie McDonald



Calling all fourth and fifth graders! Would you like to be part of a fun and challenging team where you get to read exciting books? Elementary School Reading Olympics is coming to SBS! If you decide to join the Reading Olympics team, you are challenged to read as many books as you can from a varied list. **Reading Olympics** requires meeting once a week at lunch recess. You will meet twice a week before the competition, where your knowledge of the books you read is tested. **Elementary Reading** Olympics would be a great preparation for Middle School Reading

Olympics. I have been on the Middle School Reading Olympics team for three years, and I can tell you it's a lot of fun! Having the opportunity to be involved for five years is definitely a great experience. Mrs. Carney is excited to start this program and shares, "I know many avid readers and they would like to participate in a club to demonstrate their knowledge." Look forward to joining Reading Olympics next fall!

# D-Day: 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

by: Nicolas Sheen

The Anniversary of D-Day commemorates the Allied invasion of Normandy, and promises to be a memorable occasion. It will be a time to share heroic experiences of the young men who came ashore under fire on June 6, 1944, where the paratroopers landed in the predawn hours. This day marks the day to honor the courage and sacrifice of those who secured peace and liberty for all.

### **May Procession**

By: Bridget Grazel and Grace Farrell

Among Catholics, the month of May is very special. It is the month in which we celebrate our blessed Mother, Mary. All around the world, she is honored in different ways. One of these is the popular May Procession.

May Procession is a beautiful ceremony that shows a Catholic's love for the Mother of God, and all she has done for the church. Some are in churches, while others are celebrated outdoors.

Many include prayers and songs praising Mary, and showing our great appreciation for her.

At St. Bernadette this year, we held a very spiritual May procession outside of the church, at our lovely grotto. The grotto depicts a statue of St. Bernadette kneeling before the Blessed Mother in a state of prayer.

The celebration began as students processed



The May Procession is a special event at St. Bernadette School

from school and around campus to the grotto. Once they arrived, the congregation of students, teachers, and parents, all took part in beautiful songs of praise, as the statue of Mary was crowned. The school took part in prayers asking Mary to always watch

over us, and telling her how much we love her. Students from each grade lead everyone in a decade of the rosary, which is often said to be Mary's prayer. The procession was beautiful and reverent, and the school is looking forward to honoring Mary next May!

#### DID YOU KNOW...

Raccoons were able to open 11 of 13 complex locks in fewer than ten tries and had no problems repeating the action and remember solutions.



## 8<sup>th</sup> Grader Interview

By: Megan Sheridan and Jess Horan

I had the opportunity to interview my good friend and favorite eighth grader on her experience at St.
Bernie's School. I asked her eight questions in total and here are the results:

Interviewer: "What is the youngest memory you have at St. Bernadette's?"

Megan: "When I was in kindergarten, I met some of my closest friends to this day, Bridget Grazel and Lizzy Hennessy."

Interviewer: "What is your favorite memory at St. Bernadette's?"

Megan: "My favorite memory at St. Bernadette's is the Eighth Grade vs. Faculty Basketball Game."

Interviewer: "What is one thing that you learned at St. Bernadette's that you will carry on to high school?"

Megan: "I learned to put God first and trust Him in everything, even when things get hard. I know that I will carry this lesson to high school and even farther."

Interviewer: "What is your favorite sport you have participated in at St. Bernadette's?"

Megan: "My favorite sport I participated in has to be basketball, which I will continue in high school." Interviewer: "Who was/is your mentor during your years at middle school?"

Megan: "I have two very important people that I consider my mentors, Mr. Shields, my varsity basketball coach, and my mom. Mr. Shields always encouraged me and I knew I could count on his advice. My mom helped me through the difficult times of middle school, and was always there to talk."

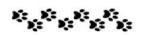
Interviewer: "What did you enjoy most about being the Student Council Secretary?"

Megan: "It was a great experience and it helped me with my organization skills." Interviewer: "What advice would you offer to younger kids who are preparing to enter the harder stages of grade school?"

Megan: "My advice is to always put your best foot forward and try to make new friends."

Interviewer: "How do you think your eleven years here affected St. Bernadette School?"

Megan: "I always had a positive mindset that I think brightened the atmosphere. I will try to bring that positive mindset everywhere else I go!"



### A Year in Review

By: Ben Russell

As an eighth grade student, this year is important as a rite of passage at St.
Bernadette School. Here are some of the most memorable events of our school year:

September: September was the month we all moved up a grade and went back to school and with a new teacher for the new 8th graders!

October: October was the month of the Harvest Fest run by the staff and the 8th grade students and the month where we celebrated Halloween. November: November is not only the month where we celebrated Thanksgiving Day, it was also the month we had our Annual Turkey Trot and the Turkey Bowl.

December: Christmas is important in a Catholic School and Bernies is great at having traditions for the holiday like having decorations around the school and the Jingle Ball. January: This was our month back after Christmas break and one where we focused on the importance of Catholic Schools.

**February:** February was my birthday and I was

happy to celebrate it at St. Bernadette's.

April: The 8th grade had their first field trip where there were team-building exercises which even included zip lining.

May: The 8th grade went to a Phillies game where they learned about the weather and got to watch an afternoon baseball game!

Eighth grade was full of amazing activities!

# Word Search





#### Music

Accelerando Baroque Crescendo Guitar Drums Dolce Forte Grave

Lento

Fortissimo Folk Bonnaroo Videos B flat Elton John

Trance Vocals Tempo

Notes Polyrhythms Piano Trumpet Rolling Stones Country Oboe

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Secret Word: CARTOON

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CAN YOU MATCH THESE WORDS WITH THE CORRECT DEFINITION?

| 1 | Gadzookery |  |
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|   | Gauzoonery |  |

2) Diglot

3) Zugzwang

4) Tarantism

A. AN UNCONTROLLABLE URGE TO DANCE

B. USE OF ARCHAIC WORDS OR EXPRESSIONS

C. A BILINGUAL PERSON

D. A POSITION IN WHICH ANY DECISION OR MOVE WILL RESULT IN PROBLEM

1) p S) c S) q 4) u