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NEWS FROM THE BEARS DEN

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From the Principal..

Welcome winter - I think . . .

I know the kids are already hoping for a snow day (and I wouldn't mind one either:)

Our two BearBots teams will be competing on Saturday in the Lego League competition in Stevensville. They are very excited and I'm looking forward to watching them compete.

We have several "extra" BearBot and PuraVida t-shirts available (and maybe a couple sweatshirts??) in various sizes. If you are interested in one or more, t-shirts are \$8 and sweatshirts are \$20. Please check with Ms. Andrea.

As I no longer have a kid under my roof, I don't always know about the latest craze out there, especially when it comes to things on YouTube or elsewhere. However, there is one that was brought to my attention that I would like to make parents aware of; it's called Huggy Wuggy. It sounds and looks innocent enough at first glance, but the videos show a blue teddy-bear like character with sharp teeth, singing about hugging and killing. Not so innocent after all.

If you have not yet done so, please send in \$2 per child for our Thanksgiving Feast next Tuesday. We are starting to purchase items to make, and Mr. Militello will once again be supplying the turkey. My mouth is already watering . . . in case you weren't aware, Thanksgiving is my FAVORITE holiday. ;)

And don't forget that next Wednesday is a HALF DAY. Dismissal will be at 11:30 AM and there will be no after care or lunch.

Have a great rest of the week and weekend!

Camille DeLano

Saint Basil



Booster Meeting 11/16, 6:30 PM

Paid Color Day 11/18

Regular Color Day & Thanksgiving Feast 11/22

> Half Day 11/23

Thanksgiving Break 11/24 - 11/25



PROTECT YOUNG EYES

Did you know that in just 5 minutes a day you can create digital trust, prepare, and protect your kids? Use our school's access code to download the Protect App for FREE! Our code is: raqk43. You can download this to your phone from the App Store or Google Play.

A FEW NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Office staff availability during lunch: Due to office staff needed in other places to assist and monitor students during lunch, the office is closed from 11:20 until 12:10. If you need to pick up a student or drop off items, please arrive by 11:20.

VIRTUS TRAINING

If a parents would like to volunteer in the classroom, drive for field trips, or go on field trips, they must be VIRTUS trained and complete a background check. Please contact Mrs. Andrea and/or go to www.virtusonline.org.

CHECK OFF SHEET

Please fill out and return the check off sheet as soon as possible. If you have multiple students only one sheet needs to be filled out with all their names on it.

HEALTH APPRAISALS

Health appraisals are due for all Preschool, Kindergarten, 7th Graders, and New Students.

FINANCIAL AID

If you are interest in financial aid please fill out the form that is attached. You will also need to turn in a copy to the office of the previous year's IRS Tax form and current pay stubs.

AFTERCARE

An application for aftercare must be filled out before any child can attend. Forms can be dropped off in the office or emailed to Ms. Andrea.

REMINDERS!

Please turn in sign off forms and other paperwork your child might be missing.

SAVE THE DATE

Save the date!! Our Christmas program will be held on Thursday, Dec. 15, 5:30 PM. We have rented Listiak Auditorium for the occasion. More details later as we get into December.

STUDENT COUNCIL BAKE SALE

Thank you families for supporting our school and helping us raise money! We were able to raise \$143. We appreciate all your help.

5TH AND 6TH GRADE AL-VAN ARTWORK

5th and 6th grade students are learning about the style Pop Art. For their final Pop Art project, most students drew animals from the Al-Van Humane Society in the Pop Art style. (A few drew their own animals.) The drawings of the shelter animals will be on display from the afternoon of Thursday, October 27th to Thursday, November 17th.











***Art work by our students will also be on display in Lansing at the MANS conference in November. Educators across the state will get a chance to see the work of our many talented students!

FAITH FORMATION

Saint Basil has a subscription to many online faith formation offerings through the Franciscan University. Since we have a subscription, this is also available FREE to our parents. If interested, please go to: https://franciscanathome.com/

From there, select the Diocese of Kalamazoo from the Partnering Diocese list at the top. Once on the D or K page, select the second blue box under "register online"-the box that says the school is already registered and that you'd like to create a free account. From there, create your account. After you create your account and log in, you'll be taken to a "dashboard" that shows various offerings. Feel free to explore all that is available!

