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NEXT ISSUE

August 31, 2011

September Registration Information

GRADE 10 & 12 STUDENT REGISTRATION & PICTURES IN GYM

Tuesday, August 30th, 2011 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - ALL Grade 10's 10:00 a.m. - ALL Grade 12's and returning Grade 12's

GRADE 9 & 11 STUDENT REGISTRATION & PICTURES IN GYM

Wednesday, August 31st, 2011 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - All Grade 9's 11:00 a.m. - ALL Grade 11's

STUDENTS! PLEASE WEAR YOUR UNIFORM SHIRT FOR PICTURES.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2011 (UNIFORM NOT NECESSARY TODAY)

All buses on regular a.m. schedule (depart @ 1:00 p.m.) 8:30 a.m. – all students are to report to their homeroom (period 1 class). Those students with a period 1 spare are to report to the lecture hall.

Dismissal for Grade 10, 11 and 12 students @ 10:00 a.m. Dismissal for Grade 9 students @ 1:00 p.m. (Gr. 9 orientation with LINK program until 1:00 (lunch provided))

Administrative

IF THE CANADA POST STRIKE CONTINUES...

Students only may pick up their report card and registration forms/information package for the 2011-2012 School Year on Wednesday, July 13th or Thursday, July 14th. Photo identification is required. Report cards and registration packages will not be given without proper photo identification.

Please note: these are the only two days report card pick up will be available.

If there is no interruption in mail service, there will be **no pick up dates**. Report cards will be mailed on Friday, July 15th.

NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

By Mrs. P. Klassen

FAREWELL CLASS OF 2011

The counselors in the guidance department would like to congratulate all of our senior students who have graduated this year and are moving onto the world of work or post-secondary education. We have enjoyed working with you and wish you all the very best in your future endeavours. We will miss you and look forward to seeing you at the Graduation Ceremony on Friday, October 28. The deadline for registration for Graduation has passed – if you still wish to attend, but have not registered and paid your graduation fee, please do so as soon as possible.

GOOD-BYE MS. WEHRLE

Our department will experience a major change this June with the departure of Ms. Deanna Wehrle who will be transferring and assuming the role of Program Head of Guidance at St. Mary's High School in Kitchener. Ms Wehrle has been a valued member of the St. Benedict teaching staff since 1999 and taught Physical Education as well as Religion before joining the Guidance Department in 2006. Ms. Wehrle's commitment to our school community has been evident in many and varied ways. She has been our school Athletic Director, has coached a variety of school teams, has been the chairperson of our Graduation Committee and was instrumental in coordinating the first SBCSS Relay for Life event this year. Our loss is certainly St. Mary's gain and while we will miss her very much, we wish her the very best in her new role there. All of us at St. Benedict will miss the wonderful contributions that she has made to our school and our department.

COUNSELLOR ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2011-12

Mr. Michael Ambeau will be joining us in the Guidance Department in September and counselor caseloads have been re-distributed as follows:

A - E: Mr. Michael Ambeau

F - Lazdins: Mrs. Pat Klassen (Program Head)

Le - Plasschaert: Mr. Sean Kritz Pogue – Z: Mrs. Katherine Menjolian International Students: Mrs. Pat Klassen

SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer school will be available this summer for St. Benedict students through the Waterloo Region District School Board, our coterminous board. Make-up credit courses will be offered at Jacob Hespeler Secondary School in Cambridge and Cameron Heights Secondary School in Kitchener. A selected number of new credit courses will be offered at Jacob Hespeler Secondary School in Cambridge and Sir John A. Macdonald Secondary School in Waterloo. Classes will begin on Monday, July 4th and will run until Wednesday, July 27th. Make-up courses are 3 hours in length, either morning or afternoon, while new credit courses are 6 hours in length, not including a 30 minute nutrition break. More information regarding summer school course offerings and registration is available in the guidance office. Please note that students interested in taking a new credit course in summer school have missed the registration deadline however they can still register for courses that have availability and be placed on a wait list for new courses that are full. Registration for make-up credits will continue until June 27.

COURSE CHANGES

Students who wish to make course changes to their timetable will have the opportunity to do so during the first two weeks of school. Please note that in order to make a change, students must complete a course change form and have it signed by a parent/guardian. Requests to make a course change should only occur if a student is requesting a level change, is missing a

prerequisite course or requires a change to get into a university or college program. If a student is requesting a course change for a reason other than those listed above, they will be encouraged to sign up to see their counselor before or after school. Requests to change lunch periods will not be honored unless medical documentation is provided. Parents, please encourage your sons and daughters to follow the correct procedure for making course changes so that we can process requests as quickly as possible in September.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Summer is a wonderful opportunity for students to work at completing the 40 hours of community service that is required for graduation. Please remember to document any hours that you complete during the summer months and hand them in to the main office in September when you return to school.

We wish all of you a safe and happy summer and look forward to working with you again in the 2011-12 school year.

WHO IS YOUR ADMINISTRATOR?

The administrative contact for your son or daughter is based on your last name:

A to F: Mrs. Beaucage G to N: Mr. Bellini O to Z: Mrs. Leusink

As always, feel free to contact our principal, Mr. Witt.



SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR ARE YOU INTERESTED IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SECTORS?

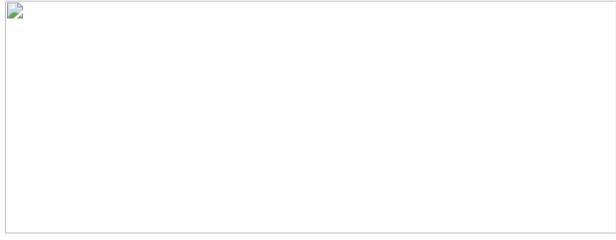
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Technology
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Sign up in the GUIDANCE office.

Academic

ENRICHING THE LIVES OF STUDENTS

By Mrs. D. WITTMANN



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GENERAL RESEARCH

Fast and reliable, these resources will help you find information on day-to-day topics and general reference questions about health, auto repair, gardening, cooking, travel, current affairs... http://eresources.knowledgeontario.ca/?cat=23

GRADES 7 - 12

Find great resources to help you with all of your school work and research topics. Materials include newspapers, journals and comprehensive reference sets with rich Canadian content. Safe and appropriate for junior high and high schools.

http://eresources.knowledgeontario.ca/?cat=21

COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY / PROFESSIONAL

Use these extensive and in-depth research resources for academic research. Peer-reviewed, leading journals and authoritative reference sources provide in-depth coverage for post-secondary research needs.

http://eresources.knowledgeontario.ca/?cat=22

Clubs & Athletics

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

By Ms. T. ATKINS

A yearly bright spot for some amazing students at St. Benedict's is definitely the Special Olympics. On June 16, at Resurrection High School our group of students and many other schools flocked to the field to partake in a great day.

Our group of athletes consisted of Keenan, Jordana, Adriano, Balaji, Ayad, Justin, Kyle, Martina, Nuno, Johanna, Anton, and Tiffany.

They all had an incredibly successful day, both in competition & just plain old fun. Many parents showed up to cheer them on. Sidelines were filled with spectators & lots of cheering for everyone. Despite the threat of rain, the weather couldn't resist staying perfect for the smiles from our St. Benedict Olympians.

Amazing job everyone!!!! GO SAINTS GO

FOOTBALL PLANS ALREADY IN THE WORKS...



frank.wittmann@wcdsb.ca.

The Senior and Junior Football Teams are looking forward to another year of exciting action come September.

All returning players are asked to see Coach Lowes and Coach Vale during registration to be fitted for equipment. Practices will begin Wednesday, September 7th. Go Saints Go!

CROSS-COUNTRY

Cross-country is for everyone. Join the fun this coming September. Contact Mr. Wittmann at

RUGBY SPIRIT WEAR

Please pick up your Rugby jackets from Mrs. Wehrle in the Guidance office.

GIRLS SOFTBALL SPIRIT WEAR

Please pick up your spirit wear from Mrs. Wehrle in the Guidance office. Cost: \$16

Looking for something fun and exciting to do this summer?

St. Benedict Basketball Camps 2011

July 11 - July 15
For Boys & Girls

Entering Grades 1 to 9

Program features:

- Age specific divisions
- Camp t-shirt for each camper
- Certificate of achievement
- Coaches' individual evaluation
- Package of age-specific drills and fundamentals to take home
- Individual and team competitions
- Awards and prizes
- Special guest lecturers and much, much more!



For more information or application brochure contact:
John Malnerich at St. Benedict C.S.S.
519-621-4050 ext 250 or See our webpage at stbenedict.wcdsb.ca under "ATHLETICS".

Other News

Upcoming Events

June 23: Period 3/4 exam June 24: Period 5 exam

June 27: Credit recovery (as needed)

July 1: Canada Day

August 30: Grades 10 and 12 registration **August 31:** Grades 9 and 11 registration

September 5: Labour Day **September 6:** School begins!

Be sure to check the calendar on the school website for more information. You can find it under **Benny's**

News > Calendar of Events.

Miscellaneous

WE WANT TO KNOW...

Your opinions are important to us! Please <u>email us</u> with your comments and suggestions. If you like our newsletter, tell others; if you don't like it, tell us!

Check out our school website at http://stbenedict.wcdsb.ca for news and information updates.

This newsletter is also available on the school website if you <u>click here</u>. You may want to send this link to other parents rather than forward your email—doing so may alter the layout and generate the page incorrectly.

