

# St. Bernard

## Bobcat Chronicle

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### From the Desk of Ms. Acra

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As we wind down the school year, I'd like to thank some special people, beginning this week with Father Don.

There are many sides to Father Don. This past Saturday Father celebrated his 17<sup>th</sup> year of priesthood. Father Don has been a wonderful spiritual advisor to all of us at St. Bernard. We've been blessed with Father's presence and leadership on the altar on so many occasions - school Masses, prayer services, Stations of the Cross, penance services, Benediction - the list goes on. He comforted and supported us when we mourned the losses of Mrs. Hebauf and Jared Douglas. Father Don guided students and their parents as our young people prepared for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. He's very serious about the Catholic faith and teaching us about Jesus. On the other hand, he cracks us up with his funny personality and quick wit. And who knew he could play such a mean game of volleyball!?

Father Don is a wonderful pastor, and we're very fortunate that he's made St. Bernard his home. Thanks for all you do for us, Father! We really do appreciate you.

**Parents' Club:** Tomorrow is the last meeting for the school year. Officer elections will be held, so come to the meeting and cast your vote!

**Jared Douglas Birthday Remembrance:** This Saturday would have been Jared's 13<sup>th</sup> birthday. On Friday of this week, we will celebrate Jared's life via a prayer service with the junior high students and a balloon launch with all grades. In addition, a tree will be planted in the grassy area by the front door of the school in Jared's memory. The tree is a gift from the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class at Our Lady of Visitation School.

**Spring Musical:** The spring performance will take place Monday, 5/17 at 1:30pm and 7pm in the Parish Center. Mrs. Thornberry and the students in grades 5-8 have been working hard to put on a great show! Hope to see you there!

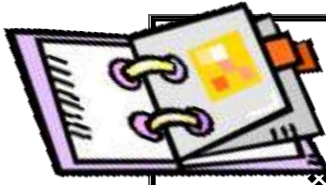
*Thanks for all you do. Have a wonderful week and God bless our St. Bernard family.*



### *Birthdays for the week*

**Hannah Riecke  
Aiden Schaffer  
Madison Johns**

**Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>  
Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>**



## Upcoming Events...

- ❖ May 13 ~ Bobcat Bash – Gr. 7/8 1:30 pm (Gym)
- ❖ May 13 ~ 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Field Trip to The Center for Holocaust 9:15am
- ❖ May 13 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Gr. Field Trip to Krohn Conservatory 9:15am
- ❖ May 17 ~ Spring Performance 7:00 pm (Gym)
- ❖ May 18 ~ Education Commission 7:30 pm
- ❖ May 19 ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Gr Field Trip to McAuley High School 9:15 am
- ❖ May 20 ~ 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Gr Field Trip to Immaculata tour 9:00 am
- ❖ May 27 ~ Gr. 1 Field Trip to Miami Whitewater
- ❖ May 27 ~ Graduation Dinner – Gr. 8 6:30 pm
- ❖ May 28 ~ Olympic Day
- ❖ May 28 ~ Out of Uniform Day
- ❖ May 28 ~ Parish Picnic 6:00 pm (Strickers Grove)
- ❖ May 31 ~ No School
- ❖ June 1 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Individual Pictures 5:30 pm
- ❖ June 1 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Group Picture 6:30 pm
- ❖ June 1 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Individual Pictures 7:00 pm
- ❖ June 4 ~ Last Day of School
- ❖ June 4 ~ Out of Uniform Day
- ❖ June 4 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> Prayer Service / Bridging Ceremony 8:45am
- ❖ June 4 ~ Awards Ceremony

### **Kindergarten News**

**Mrs. Semm – [semm\\_j@stbernardtc.org](mailto:semm_j@stbernardtc.org)**

This week, we will practice retelling stories with a beginning, middle, and end. In writing, we will use correct sentence structure when expressing thoughts and ideas. In math, we will learn how to tell time to the hour on an analog clock. In religion, we will learn that we take care of ourselves. We will learn about the sight word “like.”

### **First Grade News**

**Mrs. Gildea – [gildea\\_k@stbernardtc.org](mailto:gildea_k@stbernardtc.org)**

**BIRTHDAYS: Hannah Riecke (5-13)**

**Religion:** The Good Samaritan

**Phonics:** Diagraphs ch, kn

**Spelling:** Unit 32; **TEST FRIDAY**

**Reading:** *A Tiger Cub Grows Up* (nonfiction)

**Grammar:** Using I and me

**Math:** Counting money; **QUIZ THURSDAY**

**Social Studies:** Ways families meet basic needs

**Health:** Five senses

**Science:** Soil is made of many things

Have a wonderful week!

### **Second Grade News**

**Mrs. Lynd - [lynd\\_r@stbernardtc.org](mailto:lynd_r@stbernardtc.org)**

**Religion:** We will continue to talk about the rosary and the prayers of the rosary.

**Grammar:** Irregular verbs come, run, give, and sing, and review contractions.

**Reading:** We will read *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble* and *Wild Weather*.

**Spelling:** Unit 31: R- controlled vowels. All but the challenge words will be in cursive this week, so the children should practice writing their words in cursive for the test.

**Handwriting:** Upper-case letters D and E.

**Math:** We are beginning our unit on Time, Data, and Graphs. This week we are working on telling time to the 5 minutes and time before and after the hour.

**Science:** We are discussing Weather and Seasons this week.

**Expression:** We are writing narratives this week.

**Third Grade News Mrs. Shannon –  
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**Religion:** We will discuss what it means to be part of The Communion of Saints

**Math:** Metric system

**Phonics:** Syllabication rules.

**Vocabulary:** Unit 11/ Test on May 21st

**Spelling:** Unit 32(Irregular Plurals)/ Test on Friday

**English:** Possessive pronouns

**Reading:** We will continue to read and discuss Charlotte's Web.

**Science:** Food Guide Pyramid

**Social Studies:** Communities of long ago / Test on Friday

**Fourth Grade News**

**Ms. Krause – krause\_j@stbernardtc.org**

**English:** Descriptive Writing

**Reading:** The Trumpet of the Swan

**Vocabulary:** Unit 14

**Spelling:** Unit 32 Possessives

**Religion:** Beatitudes

**Math:** Chapter 9 will be completed, reviewed, and tested this week.

**Health:** Digestive System Problems.

**Social Studies:** Early People of Ohio

**Fifth Grade News**

**Mrs. Kersey – kersey\_t@stbernardtc.org**

**Religion:** We're studying being faithfulness and chastity. The chapter quiz is Friday.

**Language Arts:** We are working on sensory words and descriptive writing. Students are writing a character sketch this week. Students continue working in their novel groups with specified jobs per person. They have been working very well together using great communication skills. This is a vocabulary week. The test is Friday.

**Math:** We're working with mixed numbers and fractions.

**S.S.:** The chapter test should be early next week. Nightly review are important.

**Health:** We've started our unit on growth and nutrition. The chapter test should be early next week. Nightly review is helpful.

**\*Remember to use the 5<sup>th</sup> grade website daily.**

**Junior High News**

**Mrs. Harrell – harrell@stbernardtc.org**

**Grade 6**

**Religion:** Chapter 18 test is tomorrow. Chapter 19 David & Solomon

**English:** Unit 7 Prepositions Unit 17 Spelling Test is Friday, May 14

**Reading:** We will begin *Holes* this week.

**Social Studies:** Chapter 20 test is Friday May 14

**Grade 7**

**Reading:** *Summer of my German Soldier*

**Mrs. Beck – beck\_b@stbernardtc.org**

**Grade 7**

**Spelling:** Unit 19 homework is due Thursday, test is Friday

**English:** Unit 9 Verbals

**American History:** Chapter 13 Westward Expansion

**Grade 8**

**Spelling:** Unit 19 homework is due Thursday, test is Friday

**English:** Unit 9 Verbals

**American History:** Chapter 29 Prosperity, Rebellion, and Reform

**Mrs. Herrmann –**

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**Grade 6**

**Health:** Students are studying Chapter 23: Circulation and Respiration. Students will learn about the lymphatic system.

**Science:** Students will begin learning about the Nervous system in Chapter 25 this week. Students will study the different regions of the brain and figure out how the brain sends messages to all parts of the body.

**Grade 7**

**Religion:** Students will begin Chapter 14 this week. In this chapter, students will learn about the Beatitudes and how God challenges us to live our lives accordingly.

**Science:** We will be study how astronomers believe the universe was formed in Chapter 19 lesson 4. Students will be tested on Chapter 19 later this week.

**Grade 8**

**Reading:** Students are reading Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl. .

**Science:** Students will learn how echolocation works and how interference affects sound waves.

**Mrs. Simmons –**  
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### **Grade 6**

**Math-** The students will have a quiz on Lesson 7.1 through 7.4 on Friday, 5/14. We have begun to work on scale drawings. After this, we will begin to talk about percents, fractions, and decimals.

### **Grade 7**

**Math-** This week, we will be covering the following topics: bisecting lines and angles; triangles; and, if time allows, quadrilaterals. **The class will have a quiz on Lessons 7.1 through 7.4 on Friday, 5/14.**

**Algebra-** The next couple of lessons will tie in to following a formula. We will talk about finding simple and compound interest, as well as a variety of other formulas.

### **Grade 8**

**Wow! What a week we had! Congratulations, the Confirmation ceremony was beautiful. I was so proud of these young ladies and gentlemen.**

**Religion-** As I mentioned last week, we will continue working in the Confirmation text. **The students will be taking a test on Chapter 5. This is scheduled for tomorrow, 5/13.** Our new chapter covers the common beliefs that hold us together as a Church.

**Math-** We will be working on volume of pyramids, cones, and spheres. **There will be a quiz on Friday, 5/14, on Lessons 10.7 and 10.9,**

**Algebra-** This week, we will be graphing an equation in the slope-intercept form. **The class can expect a quiz on Lessons 3.1 through 3.4 on Thursday, 5/13.** We will also be working on problems that require us to write equations, and then, graph these equations.

### **Physical Education News**

**Ms. Hope – [hope\\_1@stbernardtc.org](mailto:hope_1@stbernardtc.org)**

**K-8** We are going to be working quickly to learn a lot for the rest of the year. Weather will depend on what days we can make it outside and what we will do when.

**3-8** Hopefully we will get through Lacrosse, Softball, golf, and tennis.

**K-2** We will work on skills for the sports 3-8 are playing. Therefore, we will be striking with implements, catching, throwing, and hand eye coordination.

**Mrs. Thornberry –**  
[thornberry\\_t@stbernardtc.org](mailto:thornberry_t@stbernardtc.org)

K – 2 – Movement and Game Songs

3 – 4 – Song memorization with Recorders

5 – 8 – Musical – All students must have their entire costumes at school on Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Our Spring Musical is Monday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm and 7:00pm. All students in grades 5 – 8 are required to attend both performances.

Eighth grade students should arrive at 6:15pm and students in grades 5 – 7 should arrive at 6:40pm.

### **Student News**



Congratulations to William Frey for receiving an Excellent rating at the Ohio State Science Fair this past Saturday. Great Job, William!

### **The Three Little Pigs Out West**

Grades 5 through 8 are putting on their Spring Musical this Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>. They will have 2 performances. The school performance at 1:30pm and the evening performance at 7pm. All St Bernard families and friends are invited.

### **School Mass**

Attention Parents and Grandparents, you are always invited to our school Masses. Our **6<sup>th</sup> Grade class** planned the next school Mass to be held Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:35am.

### **Scripts Program**

Planning a vacation, or working on the house and yard this summer? Order the Scrip cards for everything you'll need.

Go online for more retailers, and use the enrollment code AF4LDL6519L8L

Send your check into the school or church office by 9:00 am on Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Questions? Call or email Dan and Julie Middendorf [djmiddendorf@gmail.com](mailto:djmiddendorf@gmail.com) 353-2761

### **Sports**

Do you talk to parents from other schools during sporting practices or events? Have you taken the time to tell them about your great school and parish? What about suggesting a visit?