



PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY LETTER: February 6, 2019  
FROM: Mrs. Ruiz

## ***Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders***

***"The Lord will always guide you." Isaiah 58:11***

Dear Families,

Hopefully, everyone continues to be able to stay safe and warm in this winter weather. **Class Picture Day** has been rescheduled to **Wednesday, February 13th**. Please send students to school in their full uniform, including **red sweaters**. Thank you for bearing with the scheduling changes!

If there is continued inclement weather over the next few weeks, announcements will again be made via PowerAnnouncement. Please make sure to report any phone number updates to the office as needed. These announcements and other upcoming events will continue to be posted on the St. Bernadette Parish School Facebook as well. [Click here](#) to follow us and share with your friends and family.

Next week will be a short but important week. On **Thursday, February 14th**, we will be holding our **Mid-Term Parent/Teacher Conferences**. Enclosed in your Wednesday Envelope, many of you will find a confirmation slip containing your scheduled conference date and time. Not all families will receive a notice since mid-term conferences are scheduled by the teacher only for grades Preschool-5th, and by the teacher or parent in grades 6-8. Please make every effort to arrive to your scheduled conference on time. If you cannot attend your conference, please let the office know immediately.

Next week, you will receive the **February Parents' Club Newsletter**. In this newsletter, you will be made aware of the **Parents' Club Contract** changes for next year. Hours will be increasing slightly for returning families and hours not worked will be charged at a \$25 per hour fee. Please continue to submit your hours regularly via our [website](#).

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mrs. Ruiz". The signature is written in a cursive style and is placed over a light blue rectangular background.

Mrs. Ruiz  
Principal

## FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

- **ANNUAL PARISH CLOTHING DRIVE** – The Annual Parish Clothing Drive is the weekend of **February 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**. The Parish will be collecting clothes for men, women, teens and children at all the Masses. Clothing is donated to organizations that give (no sell) clothes to those in need. Please check your closets, bag clothes according to category and bring them to Mass with you. Your donation will be greatly appreciated. Clothing for children, teens, women and men will be collected after all of the Masses on that weekend. Clothes are then donated to shelters and day centers in our local community.



## GENERAL

- **VALENTINES RAFFLE** - St. Bernadette Student Council is having a Valentine's Day Candy Raffle which began **Tuesday, January 22** and will run through **February 13**. Tickets are \$1 each.
- **TACO TIME FUNDRAISER** – This year the Taco Time Fundraising Coupon Book is available for a \$5.00 donation. Coupon books can be purchased at the “Scrip Table” on **Friday mornings** from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. Coupon books are also available in the school office or send in your money through the Wednesday Envelope and the **Taco Time Fundraising Coupon Book** will be sent home in your Wednesday Envelope.



## CURRICULUM

- **PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES** – Mid-term conferences are scheduled for **Thursday, February 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 6:40 p.m., and Friday, February 15, from 8:30 to 11:35 a.m.** If a Parent-Teacher conference has been requested, coming home in your Wednesday Envelope is the **Notice of Parent-Teacher Conference** setting out the conference day and time. Please contact Mrs. Armstrong at 206-244-4934 should you have any questions regarding scheduling,
- **CLASS PICTURE DAY** – Due to today's late start, the **Class Picture Day** has been rescheduled for next **Wednesday, February 13**, **Class Picture Order Forms** were sent home in the Wednesday's Envelope. Only those students who have returned in their order form and money by **Class Picture Day** will receive a class picture. Consider returning your **Class Picture Order Form** now and **Mrs. Armstrong** will hold it for **Class Picture Day**. Additional Class Picture Order Forms are available in the school office.
- **AFTER SCHOOL ART SESSIONS** – **Kathleen McHugh** is once again offering after school Art Sessions on **Mondays beginning March 4, 2019 for a fee of \$70 (includes all art supplies) for students in Grades K -2nd - (3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 1/8 & 4/15)**. Art Sessions will be offered on **Tuesdays beginning March 5 for a fee of \$70 (includes all art supplies) for Grades 3rd-8th - (3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9 & 4/16)**. The **Art Session Information Flyer and Registration** is attached. Please make **Art Session** checks out to **Kathleen McHugh**.
- **CUPCAKE SALE** – In order to raise funds for their 5th grade **Outdoor Education Experience**, students are selling cupcakes for **50¢ each**. The **Cupcake Sale** is held every **Thursday during lunch time**. All money brought to school should be in an envelope labeled with the child's name and the purpose for the money.



- **2018-2019 YEARBOOK ORDER FORMS** – 2018-2019 Yearbook Order Form was sent home in the Wednesday's Envelope. Yearbooks are \$22.00 and the deadline to order has been extended.

## 2019 ST. BERNADETTE MUSICAL

Announcing our 2019 school musical.....**Winnie the Pooh!** Please mark your calendars for our **mandatory parent meeting** on **Wednesday, February 20th at 6:30 PM** in the Parish Hall. *Welcome to the Hundred Acre Wood, where Winnie the Pooh is once again in search of honey. Along the way, he meets his pals, Tigger, Piglet, Rabbit and Owl, but soon discovers that Christopher Robin has been captured by the mysterious Backson! As they prepare for a rescue operation, the animals learn about teamwork, friendship and, of course...sharing snacks.*



Auditions will begin on **March 1<sup>st</sup>** for all interested **3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders**. Thank you to our **Parent Producer: Caroline Simerly** and our **Set Designer: Shannon Wood** who've agreed to serve these roles again this year! More parent volunteers are needed to make this another great production! We currently need a **volunteer for Costume Coordination**. Schedules and additional volunteer opportunities will be discussed at the parent meeting. We hope to see you there!

## THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST LENTEN SERIES



All are invited to the **Faith Formation Center** on **Monday evenings** during Lent beginning **February 25, 2019 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

Each Monday, a chapter of the book **“The Seven Last Words of Christ Lenten Series”** by **Fr. Thomas Rosica, OSB** will be discussed. The book will be available for \$13 at the door. To register and reserve your copy, please call the Parish Office at 206-242-7370.



## KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

**The Kids Heart Challenge** (formerly **Jump Rope for Heart**) is coming up!

We will officially begin jump roping and raising money for the **American Heart Association** on **Monday, February 4** and ending on **Thursday February 28**.

Coming home in your Wednesday Envelope is the **Kid Heart Challenge Brochure**.

We are trying to double our participation from last year!



### ENCLOSED:

- Notice of Parent-Teacher Conference
- Spring After School Art Class Flyer & Registration Form
- Kid Heart Challenge Information

# St. Bernadette Parish School Spring After-School Art Classes

## Art Skills and Creative Practice

Learn drawing, painting, mixed-media and printmaking techniques to make your own art. This session includes an introduction to sketching, and observational skills used when drawing from still-life arrangements, or gestural figures in environments.



### Monday Session 1 K-2nd grade

Time and location: 3pm-4pm in the Spanish room

Dates: March 4, 11, 18, 25 April 1, 8, 15

Fee: \$70.00 includes all materials and art supplies

### Tuesday Session 2 3rd-8th grade

Time and location: 3pm-4pm in the 6th grade classroom

Dates: March 5, 12, 19, 26 April 2, 9, 16

Fee: \$70.00 includes all materials and art supplies

Please register through the Wednesday envelope

Name \_\_\_\_\_ session \_\_\_\_\_ grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or guardian cell phone number \_\_\_\_\_



American Heart Association.

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**End date: Thursday, February 28**

You can get at "Jump Start" by joining our online team! Download the app by searching "Kids Heart Challenge" in the app store OR visit [www.heart.org/kidsheartchallenge](http://www.heart.org/kidsheartchallenge) to get started! See back side.



Register on the app or website, take the heart challenge and earn the **FREE Glow in the Dark Wristband!** Raise your first online donation and earn **Finn!** Raise \$40 online and earn **Ruby!**



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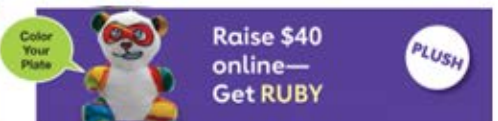


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- Select whether you're a new or returning participant. If you're new, fill out the form to set up your account. If you're returning, enter your user name and password and update your information. *(Hint: Make sure your username and password are easy to remember since you'll be able to use them again next year.)*

## Now you and your child are ready to have some fun by customizing his/her personal fundraising page.

- Track your progress and kick things off with your own personal donation.
- Send emails and ecards asking for donations.
- Make sure to check out the fun features in our app! From your phone, you can bring your Heart Heroes to life, take selfies and use cool photo/video filters, fundraise with Facebook, play games and more!



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