



Sunday, March 18th, 2018

A Note About School Safety

Dear SBS Families,

As many of you know, it is hard not to think about worst case scenarios in regards to the safety of our children, especially in light of the tragedy in Parkland, FL last month. I haven't received a lot of inquiries about our own campus plan, but I do feel that a comment on my part is appropriate.

On Friday, March 9th, as you know, GRACE released the children from coming to school so that campuses could use the morning hours to focus on their safety plans. If you recall, this fall we moved to the SAFER (similar to ALICE) protocol of ESCAPE, BARRICADE, PROTECT in the case of an intruder or violent situation, giving students and adults more latitude to keep themselves safe, and adjust responses based on the specific situation at hand. Statistics show that this approach provides far greater survival chances as opposed to simply locking down.

On Friday, March 9th, the newer members of our faculty, attended the GBPD presentation on their SAFER program with other GRACE campuses, while the rest of us stayed back on campus and embarked on several exercises which challenged our knowledge of the entire safety plan. We discussed edits that need to be made and printed for redistribution across the building. Our Health and Safety committee will be reviewing the recommendations from that morning and I will work with them to get this project completed in a timely manner.

At this meeting we also discussed communication and were able to clarify and adjust some of our internal practices, allowing us to be very clear about how we will communicate with one another in the event of an emergency.

From an organizational perspective, the Site Advisory Council and I have begun a sub-committee entitled “Visioning”. This committee is looking at a number of things, one of which is campus safety - specifically related to capital improvements.

Additionally, Fr. Mark and I are working closely to ensure that any improvements (security cameras, etc.) are in alignment with the parish’s campus needs as well. The parish and school will also work together on financing these improvements, and as specifics are decided on, I will share them with you.

Your children, my children, and 40+ adults are all together each day in our school building. School safety, and the safety of the people in our building is always on my mind. I am confident in the plans we have in place, and I am also very happy with the goals that we have outlined as a staff and SAC for the ongoing improvement of our safety plans and technology. Please feel free to send a note to either me or our SAC Chair, Katie Sullivan, should you have any thoughts or recommendations. Additionally, I do have a list of safety improvements that we have made over the last two years. If you are interested in receiving a copy of that list, please email me and I will be happy to send it to you. Thank you for your ongoing support of our campus and our efforts within.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Crystal Blahnik, Principal

Wisconsin Parent Choice Voucher Program DEADLINE APPROACHING

DEADLINE OF APRIL 20th FOR APPLICATION

Call Mr. Edgar Zaragoza at 920-468-5026 for details and application support.

Currently enrolled 4K & K families are eligible.

THERE ARE NOW WAITING LISTS FOR 18-19 in 4th & 6th Grades

CALENDAR

March 19th - First Day Back from Spring Break

March 23rd - Special Person’s Day 1st/2nd Grades

March 26th - Monday - Stations of the Cross @ 2:00 pm in church (K-2)

March 27th - Tuesday -Stations of the Cross, in the Church @ 2:00 pm (3-7th)

END OF MARCH - 8th & 5th Grades to Schedule ACRE test of catechesis

March 29th - Holy Thursday (No Mass)

March 30th - Good Friday, No School

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 1st

April 2nd- Easter Monday, No School

April 9th- May 4th: MAPS WINDOW

April 11th & 12th - 5th Grade Science Fair

April 14th - First Holy Communion (4:00 pm)

April 15th - First Holy Communion (8:00 am/10:00 am/6:30 pm Masses)

April 17 - Health Talks 4th Grade (Info. coming soon!)

April 18 - Health Talks 5th Grade

April 19 - Health Talks 6th Grade

April 20th - Mid Tri Ends

Faith for Families



Click on the image for a link to this website - FREE printable Sunday Gospel Activities for each Sunday. You can use these a number of ways, but printing them and taking them to Mass with your little ones is also a nice way to allow them to participate in the Gospel message on Sundays as well.

SEROOGYS ORDERS

Seroogys is ready for pick up. You may pick up anytime during the school Day from 8-4. If you need to make other arrangements, please contact Kris Hess at khess@gracesystem.org

Have a Blessed Week and thank you for believing in and supporting our Catholic School! Please keep updated on our curricular initiatives, successes and activities by following us on Facebook and Instagram at @stbernardschoolgb (FB) and @stbernardgb (Instagram).

Sincerely,
Mrs. Blahnik