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Raise Funds for Christopher's Recovery

Christopher Monistere is a 4th Grade student at St. Benilde School who was diagnosed with an aggressive brain tumor early this school year. Since then, he has endured numerous brain surgeries and far too many trips to hospitals both here and at St. Jude's in Memphis. While much progress has been made, he is not out of the woods yet, as monitoring and treatments will continue for some time.

The response from the St. Benilde School family has been beyond phenomenal. Thank you to all of you who have given prayers, made donations, cooked dinner, or simply offered a kind word to Christopher and his family members. More help is needed, though, to help them pay down the expenses they have incurred, and to help them with additional expenses for Christopher's health care over the upcoming weeks and months.

So we are asking that you please take some time out Sunday to celebrate "Captain Christopher Monistere" at our fundraiser party and auction **this Sunday starting after the May Crowning and Mass at 11:00 AM and ending at 4:00 PM.** Tickets cost \$30/adult, \$50/couple, \$15/high school student, and kids 13 and under get in free. We will have music, food, and drinks for your enjoyment, as well as a silent auction. If you cannot attend but would like to contribute, you can send a check to school payable to the Christopher Monistere Trust, and we will make sure your donations is promptly deposited.

May Crowning

During the Month of May – a month both named for and dedicated to Mary – Catholics have long honored our Blessed Mother by placing a crown on her image. All are invited to our **Parish May Crowning this Sunday, May 7th, at the 11:00 AM Mass.** Our First Communicants and all the Children of the Parish will be invited to join Fr. Cooper at the sanctuary step for the homily. Children and adults are encouraged to bring flowers to Mass to adorn our Lady!

Sports Awards Banquet

We look forward to having you join us for the annual sports award banquet on Thursday, May 11, starting at 6:45 PM in the school cafeteria. Special thanks to the following people for contributing to the event: Cherisse Heidingsfelder, Cindy Clark, Kristy Dennis, Lynn Pilie, Arriaga & Szegfu - CPA's, Club Soccer, Cane's, Academy, and Revolution Fitness.

Academic Excellence

St. Benilde School has a long and proud tradition of preparing young ladies and gentlemen for success in high school, college, and beyond. We want to take a moment to congratulate the following SBS alumni who are part of the Rummel High School National Honor Society and Junior Honor Society:

Rummel Class of 2019/SBS Class of 2014

Matthew Segari

Rummel Class of 2020/SBS Class of 2015

David Caparotta

Nicholas Flynn

Dawson Millet

Anthony Monistere

Ethan Ott

John Virga

Rummel Class of 2021/SBS Class of 2016

Corbin Dennis

Nathan Theriot

James Virga

Congratulations also to the following current SBS 7th Graders who have received academic scholarships to Rummel High School:

Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel Honors Scholarship (\$3,600)

Nicholas Galliotto

Carter Killian

Alexander Maier*

St. John Baptist de la Salle honors Scholarship (\$1,800)

Giovanni Rodriguez*

* = Also awarded art scholarship for Drama.

Upcoming Calendar

May 6: First Holy Communion, 11 AM, Church

May 7: May Crowning, 11:00 AM, Church

May 7: Captain Christopher Monistere Fundraiser, Following 11 AM Mass, Cafeteria

May 9: Student Council, 3:15 - 3:45 PM

May 10: Calling All 5th Graders Vocations Field Trip, 8:00 AM

May 10: School Mass, 8:15 AM, Church

May 10: 6th & 7th Grade book Club, 3:15 - 4:00 PM

May 10: Workout Wednesday, 3:20 - 4:30 PM

May 10: Grandparent's Club Meeting, 7:00 PM, Cafeteria

May 11: Jazzy Jumpers, 3:30 - 4:15 PM

May 11: Athletics Awards Banquet, 6:45 - 8:00 PM, Cafeteria

May 12: Dress Down Day

Summer At Benilde

Summer is almost here! And with summer is our annual *Summer at Benilde* programs, including camps, arts, tutoring, and more. Here is a brief listing of our different offerings:

- * **Base Camp:** We will continue offering our long-running summer camp program for children from 2 to 13 years. Each week we offer field trips (off campus and on campus), time at the pool, wet days, arts, crafts, and special events. Camp times run from 9 AM - 3 PM with extended day options running from 7 AM - 6 PM Monday-Friday. Your child will be engaged the entire day. A free hot lunch is provided each day by the cafeteria as part of the program.
- * **Specialty Camps:** Students can “add on” to their summer experience with one of our two specialty camps offered this year: one will be in science and the other will be in art. Students keep their weekly field trips, pool time, and special events that they get during Base Camp. Then they can spend the remainder of their time with specialized activities in science and art.
- * **Personalized Tutoring:** Our personalized tutoring programs led by St. Benilde School faculty using your child’s learning data continues over the summer. These can be used to fill in gaps, enrich their knowledge, and fulfill summer school requirements. This is not generalized tutoring... this is tutoring focused on what your child actually needs!
- * **Bible on the Bayou:** During the July 4 week, St. Benilde Church takes over our summer programs to offer “Bible on the Bayou,” which is the fun and spiritual Bible Camp we have offered for many years. Families can sign up through the Church Office.

Registration is ongoing. Registration forms can be found on the school’s website at . <http://www.stbenilde.com/documents/2017/3/SBS%20Summer%20Camp%20Registration%202017.pdf> . Turn them in fast to reserve your child’s spot for a summer of fun and learning in the sun!

Help Wanted

St. Benilde School announces the following positions are currently open. Candidates should complete the appropriate employment application (found at <http://www.stbenilde.com/employment-opportunities>) and email the completed application, resume, and cover letter to jdowney@stbenilde.com.

Lead Teacher, Exceptional Learners Program: The lead teacher works in the Exceptional Learners Program under the supervision of the Director of the Exceptional Learners Program. Lead teachers are responsible for classroom leadership, including planning learning experiences, recording data on child progress for planning and reporting purposes, facilitates active communication between home and school, and provides leadership to the classroom Assistant Teacher. The candidate will have a minimum of a Bachelor’s Degree in Education with Special Education Certification through the State of Louisiana or an equivalent current endorsement from another state.

Lead Teacher, Early Childhood Formation (Prek 3): The lead teacher works in the Prekindergarten 3 program under the supervision of the Director of Early Childhood Formation. Lead teachers are responsible for classroom leadership, including planning learning experiences, recording data on child development for planning and reporting purposes, facilitates active

communication between home and school, and providing leadership to the classroom Assistant Teacher. The candidate will have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in Education or a related field along with State of Louisiana Teacher Certification for Prekindergarten.

Assistant Teachers, Early Childhood Formation: The assistant teacher works in the Early Childhood Formation programs (Nursery - Prek 4) under the supervision of the Director of Early Childhood Formation. Assistant teachers are responsible for providing direct care to the children in the classroom, facilitates learning experiences under the direction of the Lead Teacher, and facilitates communication between home and school. The candidate will have a minimum of three years experience working in an Early Childhood Formation program and demonstrate knowledge of minimum licensing expectations for early childhood learning centers. The preferred candidate will also be working towards their degree or CDA certifications.

Assistant Teachers, Exceptional Learners Program: The assistant teacher works in the Exceptional Learners Program under the supervision of the Director of the Exceptional Learners Program. Assistant teachers are responsible for providing direct care to the children in the classroom, facilitates learning experiences under the direction of the Lead Teacher, and facilitates communication between home and school. The preferred candidate will have a minimum of three years experience working in an Special Education program and demonstrate knowledge of minimum expectations for working with Special Needs students.

After Care Counselors: The After Care Counselor works in the school's After Care program for children in Grades K-7. After Care Counselors are responsible for providing direct care to the children in their assigned classroom under the supervision of the Director of Faith and Human Formation. The candidate will - at a minimum - be a high school graduate, be able to pass a state and federal criminal background check, and be cleared through the Office of Safe Environment for the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Summer at Benilde Counselors: The Summer at Benilde Counselor works in the school's Summer at Benilde program for children in Grades PreK 3-7. Summer at Benilde Counselors are responsible for providing direct care to the children in their assigned classroom under the supervision of the Director of Faith and Human Formation. The candidate will - at a minimum - be a high school graduate, be able to pass a state and federal criminal background check, and be cleared through the Office of Safe Environment for the Archdiocese of New Orleans.