



BISHOP GARRIGA MIDDLE
PREPARATORY SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



April 4, 2016

Greetings in the peace and love of Christ! I hope that all is well with you and your family. Please know that I pray for you every day. May God continue to be a beacon of hope in your life.

BGMPS Prayer Partners: The BGMPS Prayer Partners will be meeting on **Monday, April 11** from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Please join us for this special time of prayer. We continue to pray for our school community, our families, and other school communities in the Diocese.

IOWA Achievement Test: The IOWA Achievement Test will be administered to students from April 4-8, with make up tests to be administered the week of April 11 for those students who may be absent during the week of April 4. This achievement test is an assessment tool that will help the school determine areas of strengths, as well as areas that are in need of improvement regarding the educational skills of all our students. On these days, please make sure your child eats a healthy breakfast every morning and gets plenty of rest during the evenings/nights. Please encourage them to focus on what is being tested and to do their best in completing the sections of the achievement test.

BGMPS Cheerleading Tryout Camp: The BGMPS Cheerleading Tryout Camp will be held from April 5-8 from 3:30-5:30 p. m. in the Kenedy Center/Gymnasium. Those interested in participating in this Camp may pick up a form in the school's Front Office. For more information, please contact Mrs. Janelle Logue at 361-851-0853.



Spaghetti Dinner: One of the school's fund raising efforts is the upcoming Spaghetti Dinner. The Spaghetti Dinner is scheduled for Friday, April 8 from 4:00-7:00 p. m. Spaghetti dinners will be available for pick-up only, with dinners being prepared at the St. John Paul II Cafeteria. Parents/Guardians, thank you for making this fund raiser a success.

Spring Raffle: BGMPS will be sponsoring a Spring Raffle. There are 20 prizes for this raffle, which include a 32" HD Television Set, a Yeti cooler, 30 oz. Yeti Rambler insulated tumblers, a beautiful hand-made cross, a digital drum set, and various gift certificates. Tickets will be available for sale on April 4 and can be sold through April 29. The raffle drawing will take place in early May. **Parents/Guardians/Grandparents will receive 100% credit towards their fund raising commitment.**



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Registration in Progress: Registration for the 2016-17 school year is in progress. Please talk to your family members and friends about the great things happening at this fine school, and encourage them to visit the school. If, through your recruiting efforts, a student enrolls in and completes the school year at BGMPS, your last month's tuition payment will be waived. (You will still be responsible for fees due, i.e., fund raising, service hours, etc.) Please help us in our efforts to provide a strong, faith based education to as many of our young people as possible.

Application – Tuition Assistance: As part of the registration process, families who are faced with financial difficulties are able to apply for tuition assistance through the SMART Tuition Aid Program. The Diocese of Corpus Christi is committed to continue to provide funding to Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School for tuition assistance purposes. **For accountability purposes and in order for the Diocese to provide Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School with fair and just tuition assistance funding, families who anticipate a need for tuition assistance must apply for this through the SMART Tuition Aid Program. Applications for tuition assistance for the 2016-17 school year must be submitted to the SMART Tuition Aid Program by April 15th.**

Birthday Wishes: The BGMPS faculty, staff, and administration extend birthday wishes to the following students who will be celebrating a birthday next week:

- April 2 Nina McWha – 6th Grader
- April 6 Vincent Dominguez – 6th Grader
- April 8 Nicholas Vargas – 8th Grader

We wish these fine people a wonderful birthday celebration and ask that God grant them many more years of excellent health of mind, body, and spirit. Enjoy your special day!

Important Dates in April

- April 4- 8 IOWA Achievement Testing for all students (make up tests the week of April 11)
- April 4 Tickets for Spring Raffle will be distributed.
- April 8 Spaghetti Dinner – for pick up only – St. John Paul II Cafetorium
- April 13 PTO General Meeting – 6:30 p. m. – Kenedy Center/Gymnasium
- April 14 School Advisory Council Meeting – 11:00 a. m. – Principal's Office
- April 20 Diocese of Corpus Christi Principals' Meeting – 8:30 a. m.-4:00 p. m. – Hosted by BGMPS
- April 22 Spring Fling Dance – 6:00-9:00 p. m. – Kenedy Center/Gymnasium – Sponsored by Student Council



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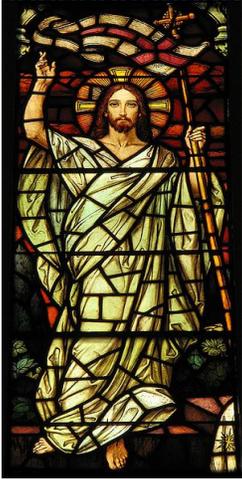
****Special Announcement****

Parents/Guardians, please be aware of the fact that students will not be able to take their final exams in May if all finances – tuition, fees, service hours, fund raising commitment, etc. – are not current. If you are experiencing a problem with your financial commitment to our school, please contact our school’s Finance Office.

Prayer – Second Week of Easter

Heavenly Father and God of Mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for He is alive and has become the Lord of Life. From the waters of death, You raise us with Him and renew Your gift of Life within us. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us grow as Your people towards the fullness of eternal life with You. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Rejoice, for He is Risen!

Blessings to you and your loved ones during this beautiful Easter Season. May the blessings of the Risen Christ remain in your hearts during this Holy Season and always.

Please remember to say your prayers and be kind to one another. ☺

Have a wonderful week, and God bless.

Paper copies of this newsletter are available at the front office of our school.