



BGMPS
CRUSADER
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



January 29, 2018

Our mission at BGMPS is to prepare students for this life and the next by integrating Gospel Values, Catholic Doctrine, and Catholic Traditions into their academic experiences and daily lives.

Spring Raffle Prizes: We are looking for monetary and other donations for our upcoming Spring Raffle. Please submit all prizes by Monday, February 5. Donation letters can be obtained in the Finance office.

Family Picnic: Parents and families are invited to join us for our annual Family Picnic on Monday, January 29 at 11:30 a.m. in the courtyard. The gym and classrooms will be used if the courtyard is too wet. Water and chips will be provided for those who ordered the Chick-fil-A lunch. Parents are also welcome to bring your own lunch. Sodas and gatorades will be on sale for \$1.

Valentine's Dance: BGMPS will be sponsoring a "BG Crusaders Valentine's Dance" on Saturday, February 10. The Valentine's Dance will be held from 6:30-9:00 p. m. in the Kenedy Center/Gymnasium. The cost for the dance will be \$15.00 per person and will cover admission to the dance and a picture.

Smartwatches: Students are not allowed to bring smartwatches to school. Please remind your child to leave his or her smartwatch at home. Also, if a student brings a cell phone to school, s/he must turn it in to the homeroom teacher. The school will not be held liable for any damaged or missing student cell phones. There are phones in each classroom and in the front office if a student needs to contact a parent/guardian during their time at school.

Math Team: The following members of the BG Math team competed in the annual regional MATHCOUNTS competition this past Saturday, January 27 at TAMU-CC: Aiden Hinojosa, Colette Leal, William Lee Sang, Briannah Mejias, Joe Morales, and Robert Shollenberger. A special thanks to Mr. James Shollenberger who generously volunteered his afternoons and Saturdays to prepare the team for this competition!

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Dismissal on Friday, February 9 will be at 12:15 in order to accommodate Parent-Teacher Conferences. Teachers will contact you soon regarding available meeting times. Friday, February 2 will be a full school day with 3:30 p.m. dismissal.

Booster Club Update: Congratulations to our new Booster Club officers for the 2018-19 school year who were elected at the recent meeting:

- President: Rene Perez
- Vice-President: Melissa Cruz
- Secretary: Crystal Levine

The Athletic All-Sports BBQ will be held on Saturday, February 24. All BG athletes, including cheerleaders, will need to sell a minimum of 6 BBQ tickets at \$10 each. Ten tickets were distributed to the student athletes last week. All receipts and leftover tickets must be returned by Wednesday, February 21. The Booster Club will sell desserts and drinks on-site. Volunteers and baked goodies will be needed. More information to follow. Let's make this fundraiser a HUGE success. – Coach Tanny



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3H Club: Beginning on Tuesday, February 6 the 3H club will begin a six-week course on nutrition conducted by a representative from Texas A&M-Corpus Christi's "Healthy South Texas" program.

Parker Uniform Company: Our school received notification that Parker Uniform Company has closed all its stores in the State of Texas. Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School is presently seeking a uniform company that it can use beginning the 2018-2019 school year.

There are Parker Uniform pants and skirts in our uniform store on our campus. Please check in our uniform store if you need pants and/or skirts.

If the uniform pants/skirts in our uniform store do not properly fit your child, for the remainder of this semester, parents may purchase navy blue pants and navy blue skirts from J.C. Penney or any other department store that are comparable to the Parker Uniform pant/skirt.

Blanket Drive: Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School is participating in our annual Blanket Drive for the home at Mother Teresa Shelter. The Blanket Drive will take place during the month of January. This is another opportunity for students, faculty, staff, and administration to serve the wider community by donating a warm blanket to the homeless in our community.

Summer School: If your child fails (below 70) one or two subjects, summer school will be required in order to be promoted to the next grade level. Your child will need to take summer school at BGMPS – no public school summer school courses will be accepted. If your child fails three or more subjects, s/he will need to repeat the grade level. Please contact your child's teacher(s) if there are concerns about failing for the year.

Fund Raising Incentive: The Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School Advisory Council, in collaboration with and approval of the School Administration, would like to offer the following fundraising incentive to parents/guardians who intend to continue to provide a Catholic school education for their children.

For parents/guardians who exceed their fundraising commitment to Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School this current school year, one-half of the extra money raised would be applied toward their child's Registration Fee and/or Service Fee for the 2018-2019; the other one-half would be deposited into the BGMPS operating account.

For example, if a family raises \$300.00 over and above their fundraising commitment to BGMPS:

- \$150.00 would be applied towards their child's Registration Fee and/or Service Fee for the 2018-2019 school year
- \$150.00 would be deposited into the BGMPS operating account

This incentive would apply only for children of parents/guardians who intend to enroll their child in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grade at Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School or the 9th grade at St. John Paul II High School the 2018-2019 school year. The extra money raised will not be transferable to any other family member (cousin, nephew, niece, etc.) or to any other Catholic school.



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

January 28 – Daniel Cantu – 6th grader

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

“The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes... ‘He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him.’” ~ Mark 1:22, 27