



BGMPS  
CRUSADER  
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



*April 9, 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.*

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**IOWA Assessment Test:** The IOWA Assessment Test will be administered to students from April 9-13. This test is an assessment tool that will help the school determine areas of strengths and areas 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 assessment.

**Honor Roll Assembly:** The Honor Roll Assembly for the 3rd quarter of the school year will be held on Tuesday, April 10 at 2:45 p.m. in the Kenedy Center/Gym. All families are welcome to attend to help celebrate our fine students.

**Lunch with the Principal – President’s Honor Roll Honorees:** Those students who were named to the President’s Honor Roll (90 or above in all subject areas) will have lunch with Mr. Gonzalez on Wednesday, April 11 during their regular lunch time in the Kenedy Center/Gym.

**Pizza Day:** Students have the option of purchasing two slices of Pizza Hut pizza, chips, and a drink for \$5 on Friday, April 13. Please note that the only other lunch option will be for students to bring their own sack lunch.

**Tuition Assistance:** Any families who would like to apply for tuition assistance for the 2018-19 school year can do so by clicking the following link: <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>.

**Stuffed Animal Drive:** The BGMPS Martial Arts Club is conducting a stuffed animal drive to aide children of domestic abuse. Please bring a NEW teddy bear, bunny, or other stuffed animal and drop in the donation box located in our main entrance. Thank you for your support!

**Mission Project:** The BGMPS community will participate in *Quenching Their Thirst* from April 9-27. The purpose of the project is to provide monies to buy water for the St. Theresa Home for Girls in the town of Barcelos, located on the Rio Negro in the Amazon Region of Brazil. We have a bulletin board in the school’s main hallway with detailed information and pictures of the children we will be helping. The homerooms with the highest donation amounts will be awarded: 1) Pizza party 2) Ice cream social 3) Snack treat.

**New Student Placement Testing:** All incoming students for the 2018-19 school year are invited to take the placement test on Saturday, April 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. There is a second testing date scheduled for Saturday, May 12. All incoming students are required to take this placement test, which consists of Math, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies.

**Spring Raffle:** There are still many raffle tickets available for sale to our community. Please help us meet our budget by contributing to the sale of the tickets. Extra tickets can be picked up in the school’s Finance Office.



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This fundraiser is 100% credit. All tickets and money are due by Tuesday, May 1. The drawing will be held at the Athletics Banquet on Saturday, May 5.

**Registration for 2018-19 School Year:** The registration fee for the 2018-2019 school year for current 6th and 7th graders is \$225.00. Registration for students new to Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School for the 2018-19 school year is ongoing.

**Family Fun Fest:** Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School and St. John Paul II High School will be sponsoring a Family Fun Fest on Saturday, April 14 from 4:00-10:00 p.m. This festival is open to families from both schools, as well as to the entire community. Please bring friends, relatives, and neighbors to enjoy this festival and support BGMPS and SJPII.

Parents of students who participate in the organizations that are sponsoring booths are required to work at least one hour in the booth(s) of the organization(s) in which their child participates. The number of hours parents work at the booth(s) can be used to fulfill mandatory parent service hours for the spring 2018 semester. For parents who would have already completed their service hours, we ask that you still work at least one hour to support your child and the organization(s) in which s/he participates.

The BGMPS organizations that are sponsoring booths are:

Club	Type	Athletics	Type
Science	Jail Booth	Boys	Sausage Wraps
PTO	Cake Walk	Girls	Bingo
Student Council	Popcorn	Cheer	Cotton Candy/Choc. Dipped Pretzel Rods
3H	Snack Shack		

We have been asked to provide baskets for the upcoming Family Fun Fest. Each homeroom has been assigned a different themed basket. We are asking each student to bring in \$3 each to their homeroom teacher by Tuesday, April 3. Please see the full list of baskets below.

6th Grade		7th Grade		8th Grade	
Teacher	Basket Theme	Teacher	Basket Theme	Teacher	Basket Theme
Ms. Busse	Movie Night	Mrs. Gonzalez	Garden in a Bloom	Ms. Esparza	Chocolate Lovers
Mrs. Le Grange	Mother Mary	Ms. Lumetta	Barbie	Ms. Garcia	Family Game Night
Mrs. Ochoa	Hot Wheels	Mrs. Hernandez	BBQ Lovers	Dr. Emrich	Night on the Town

We also need donations for Bingo prizes such as gift cards and small toys/trinkets. You will receive one service hour for every \$10 in donations. Turn in all receipts and items to the Finance office. Thank you for your generosity!

**8th Grade End-of-Year Mass:** There will be a Mass on honor our 8th graders on Tuesday, May 29 at 10:00 a.m. at Ss. Cyril and Methodius. Students need to arrive by 9:15 a.m.



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**Summer School:** If your child fails (below 70) one or two subjects, summer school will be required 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 2018-19; 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 and/or Service Fees for the 2018-19 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 2018-19 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.

**SJPII Online Application and Enrollment:**

The St. John Paul II High School [online application](#) is now live. Since the process is now online there will be a new process. First, you must apply online. After completing all the requirements, including the interview, which can be scheduled [HERE](#), admissions will be decided. The online enrollment packet can be filled out after your child is accepted. Applying online is not enrolling online. Please contact [James Hernandez](#) with any questions or call 361-855-5744.

ONLINE APPLICATION IS LIVE		
STEP 1. APPLY ONLINE	STEP 2. COMPLETE INTERVIEW	STEP 3. ENROLL ONLINE
<a href="http://JPIIHIGHSCHOOL.ORG/APPLY">JPIIHIGHSCHOOL.ORG/APPLY</a> <small>*ENROLL BY 4/27 FOR \$100 OFF ENROLLMENT FEES NOTE: APPLYING IS NOT ENROLLING</small>		

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

April 12 – Evan Enriquez – 7th grader      April 13 – Christianna Rangel – 6th grader

We wish these fine young 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!

*“Jesus said to [Thomas], ‘Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.’” ~ John 20:29*