



**From the Desk of Mrs.
McDermott
01/18/12**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are glad you have made the choice for St. Bruno School, and we are happy you are part of our school faith community. We are always looking for ways to improve our school, and we would greatly appreciate your input through a brief online survey. This will enable us to understand how you made your choice for Catholic school as well as opportunities we might have to improve our school offering. While the survey is offered by the Archdiocese of Chicago, the responses will be specific to each school so that we can better understand parents' views in this community. To access the survey, please go to the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SchoolSurveyEnglish>
For Spanish: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SchoolSurveySpanish>. The survey will be available online until Monday, February 6. If you do not have access to the internet, hardcopies are available in the office. Thank you in advance for completing the survey.

Facebook

St. Bruno's School Board has launched an official St. Bruno Facebook page. On this page you will find school updates and information about events, pictures of classes and activities etc. Please make sure to check out the page regularly. <http://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Bruno-Catholic-School/193516674061250>

Intent to Enroll 2012/2013

Next week, we will begin to work on the 2012/2013 tuition contracts. In order to do this, we need a good idea of how many families are planning to return. For all grades, please complete and return the Intent to Return form by Tuesday, Jan 31. I really appreciate your response to this matter.

Cupcake Sale

On Friday, we will hold a lunchtime "pay-it-back" cupcake sale. Please see the flyer in today's envelope for more details about this worthy fundraiser.

VFW

Junior High recently entered a patriot's Pen essay contest run by the local VFW post. Our 8th grade winner was Nicole Kubik, 7th grade was Zoe Duarte, and 6th Grade was Mykaela Barbosa. Zoe's essay also took first place at the district level and will now go to Springfield to be judged. Congratulations to all three winners!

Volleyball

Congratulations to our 6th Grade junior varsity team who took 1st place in Saturday's tournament. Well done!

Catholic Schools Week Celebrations

We will "kick off" with an All-School Family Mass on Sunday, Jan. 29 at 12:15p.m. This will be followed by our Open House, 1:30 – 3:00p.m. Please check the schedule in today's envelope for more information on the week's activities.

Technology Recycling

During Catholic Schools Week we will hold our 2nd recycle drive. Please drop off your old phones, computers, printers etc. to the office. All money raised is going towards our iPad fund.

After School Clubs/classes

Forms for clubs will go out in next week's envelope. Clubs will start the week of February 7.

Summer School

We had a small number of responses to the summer school program. We would need at least 30 children enrolled to implement the program. The comments/concerns were all very helpful. Please read my replies to them below:

Times/schedule:

- we can definitely work with the time schedule and start the program at 8:00 a.m. (same cost)
- you do not have to sign up for all 6 weeks - you decide which weeks you want to participate in
- half day is an option 8:00 – 11:30 (at a lower cost of course)

Cost:

- it is not financially feasible to lower the cost for a full day/week
- Yes, we can offer a family discount

Last year's program

- Just to clarify, last year's 4-week summer school program was funded by Title I surplus money, which is not available this year. St. Bruno School did not run or coordinate the program, the Title I vendor, Catapult ran the program. It was also only available to Title I students.

FYI

Now that we are in the middle of cold and flu season please remember to keep your child at home if he/she shows any of the following symptoms:

- Oral temperature above 99 degrees within the past 24 hours
- Rash, bump or other out-of-the-ordinary skin conditions
- Flushed face, "watery" or "glossy" eyes
- Excessive running nose
- Deep or dry cough
- Continuous sneezing
- Sore throat
- Vomiting within the past 24 hours
- Unusual irritability, listlessness, fatigue

Any of these symptoms may indicate the beginning of an illness, which might be easily communicated to other children. When your child will not be in school, please call the school at (773) 847-0697 before the school day begins.

Regards,

Katrina McDermott

Upcoming Dates

Fri. Jan 20 – Cupcake Sale

Sun. Jan 29 – All-School Mass followed by our Open House

Mon, Jan 30- Fri. Feb 3 – Catholic Schools Week Daily Activities

