



St. Bernadette School
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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We have had a wonderful beginning of this 2015-2016 school year. Many parents attended our first P.T.G. meeting and our Welcome Back Night. Many thanks to the P.T.G. Board who hosted both events. The directories will be sent home to all families who joined the P.T.G. Did you join yet?

I am sorry if you missed our first P.T.G. meeting. Mrs. Susan Schaffner spoke about how parents help their children grow in responsibility by helping them experience failures because that is how they learn. It is always difficult to let them fail but it is important that you do not bail them out when they forget to do what they need to do! Miss Kirk taped her talk and put it on our school's Facebook page. If you were not present for the meeting, please listen to her talk – it is inspiring and extremely helpful!

St. Bernadette School is currently selling 250 Club tickets. Members contribute \$125 annually. Each ticket has 4 three-digit numbers. Starting in October, \$50 is paid to the weekly winner. The PA Daily Saturday evening lottery number determines the winner. The 2015-2016 ticket admits you to dinner at the annual banquet next Fall where \$7500 is awarded in a reverse drawing. Please consider buying a ticket. Thanks!

If you have a Giant Eagle Advantage Card, please register your card by calling 1-800-474-4777 or go on-line at www.gianteagle.com and enter our school ID#1044. The school will accumulate points for all of your purchases. Last year we received 1,922 points which we redeemed for a HP ProBook Notebook, foam bats and balls, basketballs, and Science safety glasses.

If you shop at Shop'n Save, register your number by going on-line at www.shopsavefood.com and enter our school code #284. Also, continue to save Campbell Soup labels. Last year we received \$1,230 for Box Tops for Education, \$157 for ink cartridges for recycling, \$1,917 from restaurant dining, and \$2,640 from Market Day sales. Keep up the good work! Thank you.

We are asking all parents to sign up on Option C to be notified by way of phone or email through Option C when it is necessary to communicate with all families for school closings or delays or any messages from the Principal.

All gym orders have been filled. If you need anything else for gym please place an order. Students may wear black OR white socks for gym. Also, please remember no navy skirts, tops, or jumpers and no khaki shorts!

Four tuition payments (or 40% of your tuition) must be paid by the end of October. Parent Conferences are scheduled for November 2 & 3 and report cards will not be distributed to those students whose parents are not up to date. Please do not embarrass your child by not receiving your child's report card.

During the month of October may Mary guide us to love our neighbors.

Sincerely,

Sister Carol Arch, C.S.J.
Principal

P.S. In place of our Walk-a-thon this year we are doing a "Walk Concert" or "Dance-a-thon" on Wednesday, October 21. Grades K-3 will participate at 1:00 and grades 4-8 will participate at 2:00. Students will be guided on their walk to music using different leg and arm motions. They will walk approximately 1-3 miles.

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