

Happy Friday!

Calendar of Events

September 6

No School, Labor Day

September 13

Scrip Orders Due

September 17

Picture Day in Uniform

September 17

Scrip Pickup

September 20

Scrip Orders Due

September 24

Scrip Pickup

September 27

Scrip Orders Due

October I

Scrip Pickup

October 8

No School, Teacher Institute

October II

No School - Columbus Day

October 15

End of 1st Quarter

October 18

Scrip Orders Due

October 22

Scrip Pickup

Report Cards Published

October 25

Scrip Orders Due

October 26

Picture Retakes

PK 3's Picture Day

October 29

Scrip Pickup

Absences

Please remember to call the office by 9:00 a.m. on any day that your child(ren) will not be attending or arriving late to school. Even if you have emailed the teacher, you will still need to inform the office.

Please be sure to update your family information on School Speak. It is especially important to have current emergency contact information for each child as well as any allergies or conditions.

Reminder:

School Doors open at 7:55
Tardy Bell Is 8:10
Dismissal is 3:05
Before and After care are available but sign-up through School Speak is required. Spots are limited.

School Pictures

Picture Day is Friday, September 17, 2021. Pictures are in uniform. PreK 3's will have their picture taken on our retake day, October 26th. Interstate Studio has in place procedures for a safe picture experience.

ORDER FORMS WERE SENT HOME TODAY.

You may also order at interstate.com/FlyerEntry/60889ZF

Spirit Wear

The Spirit Wear link is still open! Visit https://www.shopksca.com/collections/st-bridget-school if you would like to place an order. Our next Spirt Wear day is October 1.

There is a limited supply of St. Bridget School masks available. Cost is \$5, order forms are on School Speak

Band Lessons with Mr. Nelson

Band lessons for interested students in grades 4-8 begin September 21. Registration is online at MusicArts.com/ MES. The school code is 16596. Please see the flyer on School Speak for fees and schedule.

Scrip Update

It's the perfect time to join our Scrip program! This is a great way to earn tuition credits for your family while visiting many of your favorite stores and restaurants. Order online at www.shopwithscrip.com. Our school code is 177D97B59384. You may also submit a paper order form by 3:05 on Mondays (see the schedule If you have any questions, you may contact Sarah Butenhoff at scrip@stbridgetlovespark.org.

Planning to Travel this weekend?

Please keep in mind the WCHD recommendations (wchd.org/covid-10/travelguidance):

- Wear a mask
- Avoid crowds
- Stay 6 feet away from those not traveling with you
- Wash your hands often
- After travel, unvaccinated travelers should get tested with a viral test 3-5 days after return, and self quarantine 7 days (10 days without a test). Vaccinated and unvaccinated travelers should self monitor for Covid 19 symptoms for 14 days. Please call the office to report self quarantine.

Dear parents,

We're settling in nicely. 9 school days down; 167 to go, but who's counting? Thanks to those who attended the Back to School Night on Tuesday. It's great for the teachers to meet the parents of their students and get a sense of how each child is wired relative to their primary caregivers. We will have conferences in November for more personal, individualized meetings.

We welcome all new families and hope your experience so far has been a positive one. There are still plenty of kinks to iron out and we know things are far from perfect, but we will continue to work to improve all aspects of our school and make everyone feel "at home".

Our morning drop off reminds me of the familiar sentence in the children's book <u>Madeline</u>, with a twist, "In a large parking lot at the back of the school, the cars arrived each morning single file, so cool. In rain or shine, a line so straight, they cleared the lot by ten after eight." I think we've got it!

We have a rockstar team of parents and grandparents who clean the school day and night, to keep the place where your children spend their days fresh and clean and sanitized (we need 6 hours covered between Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday so please contact me if interested in joining this great team). That being said, please remind your little ones of a few behaviors that need correction:

- 1. When you go #1, it should go IN the urinal, not on the floor BETWEEN the urinals.
- 2. Flush when done.
- 3. Pick up the toilet paper that you put on the seat to be sanitary when it falls on the floor when you stand up.
- 4. If Mrs. Toldo has placed a sign on the stall that says, "Do not use" and literally duct taped the stall door shut, don't crawl underneath the stall door and mess with the toilet that badly needs plunging, or rip the tape to open the stall door. (I'm not making this up)

We have a few volunteer opportunities. Keep in mind, per the Bishop's directive, all staff and regular volunteers need to be vaccinated or have weekly testing showing negative for Covid-19. There are other volunteer requirements so if you are not up to date and interested in volunteering at any point this school year, please contact parish staff member in charge of Safe Environment, Debby Brown. debbrown@stbridgetlovespark.org.

We could use one person per day to help in the lunchroom, especially for the first couple of lunchtimes from 11:10 to 12:10. There will be a sign up on School Speak soon. We will also be sharing a sign up form for other areas; homeroom parents, as well as helping with various Home and School Committees, etc. Thanks for considering.

Enjoy the long weekend and thanks for your dedication to providing a Catholic education for your children.

Sincerely, Mary Toldo