

Good Morning,

Here are a few updates from BSS...

(1) **Charity Movie Night Canceled:** The Charity Movie Night that was scheduled for tomorrow evening has been canceled, due to the high winds and rain (and possible snow/mix) in the forecast. Any family that made their donation already can contact Mrs. MacLean for a refund.

(2) **Reading Week at BSS - March 5-9:** Next week we will have our annual celebration of Reading Week at BSS. Events during the week include:

Monday - Character Dress Up Day: dress up as a character from one of your favorite books! Students who do not dress up should come to school in their regular Monday uniform.

Tuesday - Crazy Sock Day: students can show off their crazy socks as they kick off their shoes and read during DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) time.

Wednesday: Bookmark design contest winners announced at morning assembly.

Throughout the week: Homerooms will participate in Caldecott/Newberry Award Bingo during snack time. Winning homerooms win a free casual day to be used later this year.

We will also have a book drive during the week to support More Than Words (<https://www.mtwyouth.org/>), a youth empowerment program in Boston. More information about this book drive will be shared at morning assembly on Friday.

(3) **Gatsby Under the Stars & Fast Cash Calendars:** Remember that today is the last day to order tickets for Gatsby Under the Stars on Saturday, March 10. Tickets can be purchased online at: <http://school.blessedsacrament.org/underthestars>

Next week, keep an eye out for a live auction preview - we have some amazing items up for bidding once again! We will also open up online bidding for all silent auction items next week.

Please continue to encourage your children to sell their Fast Cash Calendars, right up through the end of next week. This is such a huge opportunity for the kids to help support this event and our school. Encourage them to reach out to neighbors and relatives. Maybe even post a video sales pitch on your own Facebook page? There are so many ways to get the word out about this opportunity!

(4) **Harney Academy of Irish Dance - After School Enrichment at BSS:** The award winning Harney Academy of Irish Dance will host an after school enrichment program at BSS this spring. The program is open to all students in Kindergarten-Grade 2. Classes will be held at BSS on Wednesdays after school (2:45-3:45), beginning on March 28th. The subsequent class dates will be: 4/4, 4/11, 4/25, 5/2, 5/9, and 5/16.

All instruction will be provided by Harney Academy instructors.

The cost for this program is only \$60, and all proceeds will go directly back to BSS as a fundraiser for our own enrichment programs. This is a great chance for your child to try out and explore Irish dancing!

Registrations can be made online at: <https://goo.gl/forms/XF00vtipLsyHgGnK2>

Payments will be made through the FACTS incidental billing system.

See the attached form for more information.

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Upcoming Events:

Thursday, March 8 - School Mass at 10:00am

Saturday, March 10 - Gatsby Under the Stars at the Four Points Sheraton in Norwood

Friday, March 16 - No School - Faculty Professional Development\

Good luck to all of our basketball teams competing in the St. John's Tournament, the Pot of Gold Tournament, and the Eastern Massachusetts CYO Championship these upcoming weeks!

Enjoy the rest of the week and weekend.

Jim