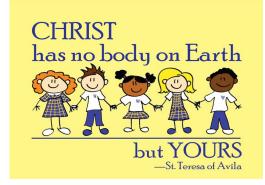


WEEKLY NEWS FROM SACRED HEART OF JESUS SCHOOL

**JANUARY 10, 2023** 

#### CALENDAR PEEK! 01.09 REENROLLMENT BEGINS 01.09 NEW STUDENT APPLICATION PERIOD BEGINS 01.09 TIGER SHOP OPENS **QUIZ BOWL PRACTICE** 01.11 01.12 **DESIGN CLUB MEETING** 01.13 MASS (8 am in the church 3<sup>rd</sup> grade leaders) 01.13 **1929 DEADLINE** (see more info on page 2) NO SCHOOL - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY 01.16 01.18 QUIZ BOWL PRACTICE 01.12 **DESIGN CLUB MEETING** 01.20 NO SCHOOL MASS 01.22 **OPENING DAY FOR BOOK FAIR** (10 am - 1 pm in the school library) 01.22 **USED UNIFORM SALE** (10 am - 1 pm in the school gym) 01.22 TIGER SHOP CLOSES





## Principal's Post

By: Cecilia Methvin

Although it seems we have just hit our stride in this school year, it is time to begin planning for the next. On Friday, you received an email with information regarding the tuition and fee changes for the 2023-24 school year as well as information regarding tuition assistance from the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Please note the dates on the 2023-24 Admissions Timeline found at <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jhi/hit/">https://doi.org/10.1001/jhi/hit/</a> or on the website under the drop down menu for 'Admissions'.

Each year, donors who give \$1,000 or more to the Annual Giving Campaign (AGC) are recognized as part of our 1929 Society. To show our appreciation, we invite these family, friends, and alumni to a special dinner in their honor; the deadline to be included in the 1929 Society for 2022-23 is Friday, January 13th. This year's dinner will be held at Juban's Restaurant on the evening of Thursday, February 2nd. Thank you to those who have participated in our AGC; every dollar is greatly appreciated!

As you know, our country celebrates Black History Month for the entire month of February. Our 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be working hard this month to learn about Black Saints so that they can share with the rest of the community what they discover. Stay tuned for more information about our school-wide celebration of Black Catholic Saints on February 28th!

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**1929 SOCIETY DEADLINE** Join us February 2<sup>nd</sup> for the annual 1929 Society Dinner hosted by Fr. Josh and Mrs. Methvin! Tickets are \$1000/couple and will benefit our Annual Giving Campaign. <u>Click here</u> to purchase tickets before the Friday, January 13 deadline.

**REENROLLMENT** The re-enrollment period has begun. The deadline to re-enroll without a late fee is Friday, January 27. For more information regarding tuition and fees, please see email from Mrs. Methvin sent on January 6.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE BOOK FAIR** Sunday, January 22 from 10 am - 1 pm is the opening day of our Annual Scholastic Book Fair in the school library. The book fair will be on campus from January 22-January 27. See more information on page 5.

MARY LEE EGGART'S PEACE PRAYER <u>Click here</u> to preview the show of Mary Lee Eggart's "Peace Prayer" exhibit. You may also visit her displays at LeMieux Galleries 332 Julia St., New Orleans, LA from January 7 - February 17.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY Sacred Heart of Jesus St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is in need of hearty soups, canned ravioli, canned spaghetti & meatballs, chili & tuna. They serve people in need who live within the geographical boundaries of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Food pantry collections are made each Friday during our school liturgy. Students, faculty, and staff donate non-perishable food items and are a major source of donations.

SACRED HEART PARISH MESSENGER Click here to read this week's edition of The Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Messenger.

**NEWS TO THE EDITOR** Do you have news for The Tuesday Newsletter? Please email news to WMilam@SacredHeartBR.com by 1:00 p.m. the Monday prior to publication.

### ATHLETIC NEWS: Contact Athletic Director Amy Daughdrill at adaughdrill@sacredheartbr.com with any questions.

The Sacred Heart Middle School Basketball Tournament was a great success! Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who took time out of their busy schedules to support our school. It truly would not have been possible without your help!

Home basketball games will begin on Tuesday, January 10 with the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys playing at 5:45, 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 6:30 and 7<sup>th</sup> grade at 7:30. To volunteer for any January home game, please sign up <u>HERE!</u>

Basketball team pictures are as follows:  $3^{rd}$  grade - Tuesday, January 10 @ 5:15 pm;  $5^{th}$  grade - Tuesday, January 10 @ 6 pm; and  $7^{th}$  grade on Thursday, January 19 @ 7 pm.

Biddy Basketball registration is currently open to all students in grades Pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup>. Register for the upcoming season <u>HERE</u>! The season will begin with a fun clinic on Saturday, January 14. Please see previous email for details.

Boys Baseball registration for grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> is currently open. Register for the upcoming season HERE.

Registration information for students interested in Track and Field season will be emailed this week!

Save the date!! BRCC will be hosting a Sacred Heart night on Friday, January 20 during their home basketball game. All students will get in for free and will be recognized at the game. Game starts at 5:30.

### Boys Basketball

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January 10	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade vs. St. Aloysius (Team pics @ 5:15 pm)	5:45 p.m. Sacred Heart Gym
January 10	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade vs. St. Aloysius (Team pics @ 6:00 pm)	6:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Gym
January 10	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade vs. St. Aloysius	7:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Gym
January 13	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade vs. Our Lady of Mercy	5:45 p.m. Sacred Heart Gym
January 13	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade vs. Our Lady of Mercy	7:15 p.m. Sacred Heart Gym





- Tiger Shop is opened closes 1/22
- Used Uniform Sale Sunday, January 22 from 10 am until 1 pm in the Gym
- If anyone is interested in getting involved in the Annual School Auction/Sping BASH - contact Leah Bergeron (leahberg7@gmail.com) or Ashley Sensley-Square (asensley@att.net).





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 3 - Hannah Owens (1st Grade Teacher)
January 4 - Erin Wilcox (Pre-K3 and Kindergarten Assistant)



What we know about the new omicron XBB.1.5 subvariant so far. The CDC warns that it is the cause of the rebound in COVID-19 cases in the US.

A new version of omicron has taken hold in the United States, according to the latest data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The subvariant, called XBB.1.5, has raised concerns about another wave of coronavirus cases after the busy holiday travel season.

The CDC projected Friday that about 40% of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the country are caused by the XBB.1.5 strain, up from 20% a week ago. In the Northeast, about 75% of confirmed cases are reported to be XBB.1.5. It is still not clear where this version of omicron came from, but it is spreading fast.

There is no indication that it causes more severe illness than any other omicron virus according to the director of the CDC's Division of Coronavirus and Other Respiratory Viruses. Overall, coronavirus hospitalizations are rising across the country. Areas like the Northeast that have seen high levels of the new variant.

Hospitalizations averaged 42,140 in the seven-day count on Friday. This is up 4.2% from the previous two weeks. The seven-day average of daily intensive care unit admissions also increased to 5,125 per day, an increase of more than 9% compared to two weeks ago.

The XBB.1.5 is a relative of the omicron variant XBB, which is a recombinant of the omicron subvariants BA.2.10.1 and BA.2.75.

Combined, XBB and XBB.1.5 account for 44% of the cases in the US, displacing other versions of omicron. XBB has been found in at least 70 countries, according to the World Health Organization, and has led to surges in infections in some parts of Asia, including India and Singapore. Studies done in the lab have found that XBB is able to evade antibodies from previous infections or vaccinations, which means that being exposed to the virus would mean someone is more likely to get sick or reinfected and show symptoms. XBB has characteristics that allow it to evade the immune response reported the CDC. Evidence has been shown both in laboratory studies and seen clinically in cases and hospitalizations.

Antibody studies do not give a complete idea of what is happening. Other parts of the immune system can protect against the virus, and COVID-19 vaccines should remain effective in preventing severe illness and death from the virus, study results suggest.

### Do Vaccines work against XBB.1.5?

Unfortunately, that could be a problem in the US People over the age of 65 are the most vulnerable to any form of the coronavirus. However, only 37.5% of that age group have received the updated omicron booster, according to the most recent data from the CDC. Experts agree that the most important thing is to receive a booster dose with bivalent vaccines to bolster your immune system against the newer subvariants.

A study published last week in the New England Journal of Medicine found that new boosters from Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech improve antibody responses to many Omicron subvariants, including the XBB variant.

While the new booster, called bivalent because it targets the omicron BA.4 and BA.5 strains as well as the original coronavirus, is not perfect against emerging coronavirus strains, it does offer additional protection than was seen in previously available original or monovalent boosters. With the monovalent boosters, your neutralizing antibodies just are not as potent against the variants, but the bivalent booster makes sure it is a little better.

Wishing you a healthy week ahead,

Nurse Geri



#### Dear Parents and Families:

Get Ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them to become Bolder, Prouder, and Stronger Readers. AND—as always—every book they buy earns rewards for our school.

Here's what you need to know about the Fair, which will take place from January 22-January 27 at our Sacred Heart School Library:

On January 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will host our Book Fair Grand Opening from 10:00am-1:00pm. All families and friends are encouraged to come out and shop while enjoying coffee and donuts.

During the school week, each class will have an opportunity to visit the Book Fair. Parents and guardians are invited to join their child(ren) during their designated time. The shopping schedule is as follows:

PK3/4- Tuesday 9:00-10:30 Kindergarten- Monday 8:15-9:00 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- Monday 9:30-10:15 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- Wednesday 9:55-10:40 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- Thursday 9:00-9:40 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- Thursday 8:00-8:45 5th Grade- Wednesday 8:55-9:40 6th Grade- Tuesday 10:45-11:30 7th Grade- Tuesday 12:55-1:40 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- Wednesday 8:00-8:45

This year, we are also participating in the Scholastic Book Fair Classroom Wish List program. This is an effective way for teachers to let families know which books they would love to add to their classroom libraries. Our teachers have created wish lists that will be kept in the library during the week of the Book Fair. When entering the Book Fair, you may choose the wish list of the teacher(s) who you want to purchase for, then find the book(s) and complete your purchase.

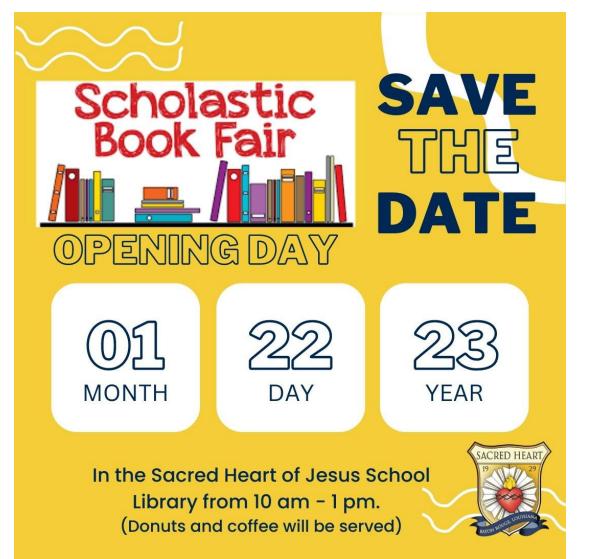
If you can't make it to the Fair, you may **shop at our school's Online Book Fair**. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Your online orders will also benefit our school.

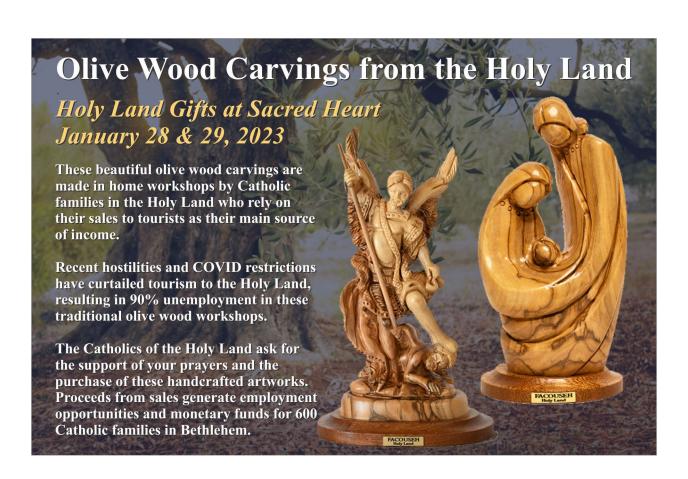
Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping: https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/sacredheartofjesusschool1

Happy Reading,

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# **JANUARY 2023**

**Elementary Schools** 



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•	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	• Thursday	• Friday
	2 Thippy Views	Chicken Smackers French Fries Green Beans Strawberry Applesauce	Fish Nuggets Creamed Potatoes Broccoli with Cheese Pineapple	Pizza Buttered Corn Garden Salad Peaches	Chicken and Sausage Gumbo Garden Salad Cantaloupe Wedges Garlic Breadstick
	Marina C.	Choice: Pepperoni Pizza	Choice: Pepperoni Pizza	Choice: Chicken Smackers	Choice: Baked Potato
•	Chicken Tenders Red Beans and Rice Garden Salad Pineapple Biscuits	Beef-a-Roni Garden Salad Squash and Zucchini Satsumas Dinner Roll	Corn Dog Nuggets Creamed Potatoes Glazed Baby Carrots Mixed Berries with whipped cream	Chicken Filet on Bun Lettuce and Pickle Cup French Fries Cantaloupe Wedges	Nachos Garden Salad Jalapeno Cup Salsa Mexican Corn Peaches
	Choice: Pepperoni Pizza	Choice: Chicken Smackers	Choice: Chef Taco Salad	Choice: Chicken Teriyaki Rice Bowl	Choice: Baked Potato
	HAPPY MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY	Spaghetti and Meat Sauce Garden Salad Cauliflower with Cheese Blue Raspberry Applesauce Dinner Roll	Hamburger/Cheeseburger Lettuce and Pickle Cup Baked Beans French Fries Mixed Berries with whipped cream	Chicken and Sausage Jambalaya 9 White Beans Garden Salad Peaches Roll	Macaroni and Cheese Garden Salad Green Beans Red Apple Wedges
	© //	Choice: Chicken Smackers	Choice: Chef Chicken Smacker Salad	Choice: Buffalo Rice Bowl	Choice: Baked Potato
	Chicken Smackers Spaghetti and Cheese Garden Salad Veggie Medley Green Apple Wedges	Chicken and Sausage Gumbo Garden Salad Cantaloupe Wedges Garlic Breadstick	Fish Nuggets Roasted Red Potatoes Broccoli with Cheese Coleslaw Pineapple Celebration Cupcake	Meatballs and Gravy Over Rice Garden Salad Black Eye Peas Satsumas Dinner Roll	Pizza Garden Salad Corn Mixed Berries with whipped cream
	Choice: Pepperoni Pizza	Choice: Chicken Smackers	Choice: Chef Chicken Caesar Salad	Choice: Chicken Teriyaki Rice Bowl	Choice: Baked Potato
	Chicken Tenders Red Beans and Rice Garden Salad Pineapple Biscuit	Beef-a-Roni Garden Salad Squash and Zucchini Satsumas Dinner Roll			
	Choice: Pepperoni Pizza	Choice: Chicken Smackers			

**Notes:** Menus are subject to change. All meals are served with a choice of milk.

Notification Statement: Peanuts and Peanut butter are not purchased for meals produced by the Baton Rouge Diocese Child Nutrition Program; however, some products served may contain nuts, may be produced in plants that use nuts and may contain traces of nuts.

