



BISHOP GARRIGA MIDDLE  
PREPARATORY SCHOOL  
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



April 18, 2016

Greetings in the peace and love of Christ! I hope that all is well with you and your family. Please know that I pray for you every day. May God continue to be a beacon of hope in your life.

**BGMPS Prayer Partners:** The BGMPS Prayer Partners will be meeting on **Monday, April 25** from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Please join us for this special time of prayer. We continue to pray for our school community, our families, and other school communities in the Diocese.

**Spring Fling Dance:** The BGMPS Student Council is sponsoring this dance on **Friday, April 22** from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The cost is \$6. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. Dress code is casual (see the attached dress code guidelines).

**New Student Placement Testing:** All incoming students for the 2016-2017 school year are invited to take the placement test on **Saturday, April 23** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There is a second testing date scheduled for **Saturday, May 7**. All incoming students are required to take this placement test, which consists of Math, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies.

**Spring Raffle:** BGMPS will be sponsoring a Spring Raffle. There are 20 prizes for this raffle, which include a 32" HD Television Set, a Yeti cooler, 30 oz. Yeti Rambler insulated tumblers, a beautiful hand-made cross, a digital drum set, and various gift certificates. Tickets will be available for sale on April 4 and can be sold through April 29. The raffle drawing will take place in early May. **Parents/Guardians/Grandparents will receive 100% credit towards their fund raising commitment.**

**Registration in Progress:** Registration for the 2016-17 school year is in progress. Please talk to your family members and friends about the great things happening at this fine school, and encourage them to visit the school. If, through your recruiting efforts, a student enrolls in and completes the school year at BGMPS, your last month's tuition payment will be waived. (You will still be responsible for fees due, i.e., fund raising, service hours, etc.) Please help us in our efforts to provide a strong, faith based education to as many of our young people as possible.

**Application – Tuition Assistance:** As part of the registration process, families who are faced with financial difficulties are able to apply for tuition assistance through the SMART Tuition Aid Program. The Diocese of Corpus Christi is committed to continue to provide funding to Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School for tuition assistance purposes. **For accountability purposes and in order for the Diocese to provide Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School with fair and just tuition assistance funding, families who anticipate a need for tuition assistance must apply for this through the SMART Tuition Aid Program. Applications for tuition assistance for the 2016-17 school year must be submitted to the SMART Tuition Aid Program by April 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Birthday Wishes:** The BGMPS faculty, staff, and administration extend birthday wishes to the following students who will be celebrating a birthday this week:

**April 16** Alejandro Flores – 6<sup>th</sup> Grader    **April 22** Aidan Moore – 7<sup>th</sup> Grader

**April 23** Jasmine Lara – 7<sup>th</sup> Grader and Athena Miranda – 7<sup>th</sup> Grader

We wish these fine people a wonderful birthday celebration and ask that God grant them many more years of excellent health of mind, body, and spirit. Enjoy your special day!



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**Important Dates in April**

- April 20 Diocese of Corpus Christi Principals' Meeting – 8:30 a. m.-4:00 p. m. – Hosted by BGMPS
- April 22 Spring Fling Dance – 6:00-9:00 p. m. – Kenedy Center/Gymnasium – Sponsored by Student Council
- April 23 New Student Placement Testing – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Main Building

**\*\*Special Announcement\*\***

Parents/Guardians, please be aware of the fact that students will not be able to take their final exams in May if all finances – tuition, fees, service hours, fund raising commitment, etc. – are not current. If you are experiencing a problem with your financial commitment to our school, please contact our school's Finance Office.

***Prayer – Fourth Week of Easter***

All-powerful God, you are near to us and hear us when we pray. Enliven us with your Spirit, the fire of your love. Through our baptism we share in the life of your Son, Jesus Christ. Sustain your life within us by drawing us often to eat his body and drink his blood in the new and everlasting covenant that gives us eternal life. Grant this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

Rejoice, for He is Risen!

Blessings to you and your loved ones during this beautiful Easter Season. May the blessings of the Risen Christ remain in your hearts during this Holy Season and always.

Please remember to say your prayers and be kind to one another. ☺

Have a wonderful week, and God bless.

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