



ST. BRIGID CSPC UPDATE

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A NOTE FROM OUR CSPC CO-CHAIRS...

Hello!
We are looking forward to Pancake Day next Tuesday February 13th! Continuing our tradition, the children will be served a snack of pancakes and fruit with their class to celebrate the beginning of Lent. Thank you to everyone who has signed up to Volunteer!

Don't forget to pack a lunch on Pancake Tuesday!

The BSA is still looking for Black-identifying members of the community to take part in the Black Excellence Fair, that will be held on Tuesday February 27th. Please contact us at stbrigidcsac@gmail.com if you are willing to speak to the children about your career, vocation, or personal story; we will pass on your contact information to the BSA and their Sponsor Teacher.

BLACK STUDENT ALLIANCE (BSA) CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Hello St. Brigid community. As you may be aware, the Black Student Alliance is holding a Black Excellence Fair once again. We are following the events of last year's fair and we need your help to expand our thoughts. What we would appreciate is your outreach to any black identifying speakers successful in their fields. If you yourself or anyone you know, would be able to help with this event please contact the CSPC at stbrigidcsac@gmail.com.

Sincerely, Gabriella G. and Isabel P-B.



KEY DATES

Here are our upcoming key dates:

Shrove Tuesday - Feb 13th

Fun Fair Meeting- Feb 21st

The Black Excellence Fair - Feb 27th

PIZZA DAY CHANGE

REMINDER
PIZZA WILL BE
on MONDAY February
12 to accommodate
Pancake Tuesday.

IN OUR PARISH

Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday** - one of the most important holy days in the liturgical calendar. It opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer.

Ash Wednesday Masses will be held at **12:00 PM (English)** and **7:00 PM (Bilingual)** on **Wednesday February 14**. Everyone is invited.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed in both English and Italian every **Friday at 7:00 PM (beginning February 16)**. Everyone is invited.

Catechism Classes:

- Reconciliation: February 10
- Confirmation: February 24

Food Donations:

St Brigid's church has an ongoing collection of non-perishable food items, in collaboration with the St Ann's food bank. Donations can be dropped at the parish office or in the bin at the back of the church.

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MR. MOULDS' SKATE DAY

*Our Annual Mr. Moulds' Skate Day will be held on
THURSDAY MARCH 28.*

Mark your calendars and please consider coming to this fun event to help. We need help at the Arena tying skates and on ice-help, as well as volunteers willing to walk to and from the Arena with older children and their teachers. Watch for a Volunteer Sign-up closer to the event.

Skates & Helmet Donations :

Please consider donating your unused skates to the St Brigid skate lending library, used for class outings and school-wide skate days. We especially need **adult sized skates, as well as Medium and Large-sized helmets** to share with our older kids. Donations can be brought to the school office, or at interview nights next week.

FUN FAIR

The 2024 St Brigid Fun Fair will be held on:
SATURDAY 1 JUNE 12 PM - 3 PM

We continue our appeal for volunteers. Please consider what your contribution to the Fun Fair could be. There are many ways to help: before, during and after the event. If you are interested in volunteering, would like to make a donation, or have questions about Fun Fair, or aren't sure if you can help, but want to hear more, please contact stbrigidcsac@gmail.com.

*Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday February 21 at 7:30 PM**. Zoom link to follow.*

Looking to Declutter?

The Fun Fair committee is collecting fun prizes and small loot bag-type items.

If you have any extras that you can donate, please drop those off in the school foyer on interview nights (Feb 13 and 15).

If you have something bigger to donate for Fun Fair or classrooms, or if you know a business who would like to hear about Fun Fair or Playground donation options, please contact stbrigidcsac@gmail.com.

OAPCE UPDATE

On February 5 OAPCE invited Anthony Perrotta, Principal & Educational Leader to present "Exploring the Benefits and Drawbacks of ChatGPT and AI Technology." The parent workshop explored the impact of ChatGPT and AI technologies in schools.

Anthony discussed both the benefits, such as personalized learning and efficient assistance, while also addressing concerns like privacy, potential biases, and the need for responsible student use. The presentation and discussion was an eye-opening experience on how these tools shape the current educational landscape and what it means for your child as a digital citizen. Please click [here](#) to read the January OAPCE Newsletter.

OAPCE is asking everyone to complete their Parent Survey to ensure that the focus of OAPCE is aligned with community needs. The results will also help provide the Ministry of Education with data that they frequently request from the group. Please access the [survey](#) here.