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FAMILY BULLETIN

Last Chance for Gala Tickets

Next week is the last week to get your gala tickets! To get tickets you must purchase a sponsorship, which go for as little as \$150 for two to attend the gala. People who purchase sponsorships at the Gold level or any of the Circle Sponsorships also get complimentary admission to the Sunset on Pontchartrain Patron Party and the formal ceremony giving Mrs. Lynne the Benilde Medal. To purchase your sponsorship, go to <https://501auctions.com/sb gala/tickets?type=6460>. A paper order form will come home on Monday and you can also pay by check at the school office.



The Luck of the Irish Spring Gala is April 8, 2017 starting at 7:30 PM in the Landmark Hotel here in Metairie. The last day to purchase your tickets is April 3. Act now, or miss the party of the year!

Gala Silent Auction Items Announced!

The Silent Auction items for the Gala this year look to be the best yet! Here are some highlights!

- ❖ Seven Day Stay at the Cancun Grand Mayan Vidanta Resort
- ❖ Mt. Carmel Basket
- ❖ Brother Martin Gift Basket
- ❖ De La Salle Gift Basket
- ❖ Rummel Gift Basket
- ❖ LSU Stadium Seats from the 2004 Renovation (Yes... the actual seats!)
- ❖ Zurich Golf Class Tickets
- ❖ Orpheuscapade 2018 Tickets for 2 Reserved Seats

To check out all the items, go to <https://501auctions.com/sbsgala/category/all/1>.

The 2017 WLAE Tuition Auction

Each year, St. Benilde School donates one tuition for WLAE for their annual tuition auction, which raises funds to preserve a Catholic television presence in New Orleans. We are proud to announce that bidding is now open. Here is how it works... you bid on the St. Benilde School tuition. If you have the winning bid, you pay WLAE your bid and St. Benilde School will comp your tuition for the 2017-2018 school year. To learn more and to start bidding go to <http://www.wlae.com/ta2017>. Then be sure to tune in and watch the school's video and the interview with Mr. Downey at approximately 7:20 PM on Tuesday March 28, 2017.

Summer At Benilde

Today is the end of the Third Grading Period, which means (among other things) that summer is almost here! And with summer is our annual *Summer at Benilde* programs, including camps, arts, tutoring, and more. Here is a brief listing of our different offerings:

- * **Base Camp:** We will continue offering our long-running summer camp program for children from 2 to 13 years. Each week we offer field trips (off campus and on campus), time at the pool, wet days, arts, crafts, and special events. Camp times run from 9 AM - 3 PM with extended day options running from 7 AM - 6 PM Monday-Friday. Your child will be engaged the entire day. A free hot lunch is provided each day by the cafeteria as part of the program.
- * **Specialty Camps:** Students can "add on" to their summer experience with one of our two specialty camps offered this year: one will be in science and the other will be in art. Students keep their weekly field trips, pool time, and special events that they get during Base Camp. Then they can spend the remainder of their time with specialized activities in science and art.
- * **Personalized Tutoring:** Our personalized tutoring programs led by St. Benilde School faculty using your child's learning data continues over the summer. These can be used to fill in gaps, enrich their knowledge, and fulfill summer

Upcoming Calendar

March 24 & 25: Cats Performance, 7 PM, Cafeteria

March 27: Book Club, Grades 4 & 5, 3:15 - 4:00 PM

March 27: Boys Cabbageball HOME vs. St. Louis King of France, 4:00 PM

March 28: Pelican's Junior Training Camp

March 28: Girls Cabbageball vs. St. Elizabeth, 4 PM, St. Elizabeth

March 28: Jr. Boys Cabbageball vs. St. Edward, 4 PM, St. Edward

March 28: Sr. Boys Cabbageball HOME vs. St. Christopher, 5:15 PM

March 28: Sacrament of Confirmation, 7:00 PM, Church

March 29: School Mass, 8:15 AM

March 20: School Board Meeting, 7:00 PM

March 31: Fish Fry!!!

school requirements. This is not generalized tutoring... this is tutoring focused on what your child actually needs!

* **Summer at Loreto:** Care does not end June 1 at St. Benilde School. Our infants and toddler programs continue throughout the summer months, giving parents a safe and nurturing place for their children to grow, learn, and love all summer long. Parents with infants and toddlers should look for forms coming home in the next few weeks asking them if they plan to have their child with us in June and July.

* **Bible on the Bayou:** During the July 4 week, St. Benilde Church takes over our summer programs to offer "Bible on the Bayou," which is the fun and spiritual Bible Camp we have offered for many years. Families can sign up through the Church Office.

Registration begins this Monday, March 20, 2017 for *Summer at Benilde*. Registration forms will be emailed and sent home to parents. Turn them in fast to reserve your child's spot for a summer of fun and learning in the sun!

Pelican's Junior Training Camp Volunteers

St. Benilde will have the New Orleans Junior Training Camp on Tuesday, March 28th, from 1:00-2:15. Volunteers are needed from 12:15 to 2:45. If you can help volunteer for this fun event, please email Susan Connick at sconnick@stbenilde.com.

Help Wanted

St. Benilde School announces the following positions are currently open. Candidates should complete the appropriate employment application (found at <http://www.stbenilde.com/employment-opportunities>) and email the completed application, resume, and cover letter to jdowney@stbenilde.com.

Lead Teacher, Exceptional Learners Program: The lead teacher works in the Exceptional Learners Program under the supervision of the Director of the Exceptional Learners Program. Lead teachers are responsible for classroom leadership, including planning learning experiences, recording data on child progress for planning and reporting purposes, facilitates active communication between home and school, and provides leadership to the classroom Assistant Teacher. The candidate will have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in Education with Special Education Certification through the State of Louisiana or an equivalent current endorsement from another state.

Lead Teacher, Early Childhood Formation (Prek 3): The lead teacher works in the Prekindergarten 3 program under the supervision of the Director of Early Childhood Formation. Lead teachers are responsible for classroom leadership, including planning learning experiences, recording data on child development for planning and reporting purposes, facilitates active communication between home and school, and providing leadership to the classroom Assistant Teacher. The candidate will have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in Education or a related field along with State of Louisiana Teacher Certification for Prekindergarten.

Assistant Teachers, Early Childhood Formation: The assistant teacher works in the Early Childhood Formation programs (Nursery - Prek 4) under the supervision of the Director of Early Childhood Formation. Assistant teachers are responsible for providing direct care to the children in the classroom, facilitates learning experiences under the direction of the Lead Teacher, and facilitates communication between home and school. The candidate will have a minimum of three years experience working in an Early Childhood Formation program and demonstrate knowledge of minimum licensing expectations for early childhood learning centers. The preferred candidate will also be working towards their degree or CDA certifications.

Assistant Teachers, Exceptional Learners Program: The assistant teacher works in the Exceptional Learners Program under the supervision of the Director of the Exceptional Learners Program. Assistant teachers are responsible for providing direct care to the children in the classroom, facilitates learning experiences under the direction of the Lead Teacher, and facilitates communication between home and school. The preferred candidate will have a minimum of three years experience working in an Special Education program and demonstrate knowledge of minimum expectations for working with Special Needs students.

After Care Counselors: The After Care Counselor works in the school's After Care program for children in Grades K-7. After Care Counselors are responsible for providing direct care to the children in their assigned classroom under the supervision of the Director of Faith and Human Formation. The candidate will - at a minimum - be a high school graduate, be able to pass a state and federal criminal background check, and be cleared through the Office of Safe Environment for the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Summer at Benilde Counselors: The Summer at Benilde Counselor works in the school's Summer at Benilde program for children in Grades PreK 3-7. Summer at Benilde Counselors are responsible for providing direct care to the children in their assigned classroom under the supervision of the Director of Faith and Human Formation. The candidate will - at a minimum - be a high school graduate, be able to pass a state and federal criminal background check, and be cleared through the Office of Safe Environment for the Archdiocese of New Orleans.