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*"How priceless is your unfailing love!
Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings."
Psalm 36:7*

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Dear Families and Friends of WBCA:

It is the middle of October, the leaves are at peak foliage, my beloved Red Sox are all at home playing golf, and things inside (and out) the Sacred Halls of Ivy at West Bay are running smoothly, which is directly related to our dedicated faculty and staff, and to the many volunteers who make WBCA such a special place. Therefore, I would like to take a few lines to express my appreciation to SOME of these volunteers who work joyfully and tirelessly as they serve in a variety of capacities at West Bay. At the top of my list, of course, is the PVB who have done so much to elevate the quality of school life. They run events, raise money, help teachers, and provide assistance in countless venues each week. Many things we may take for granted are actually the result of the PVB working together in an intentional volunteer effort. Those of you serving through this organization are many, and I thank you. In addition, I would like to acknowledge the leaders of the PVB, on behalf of the entire school community, thanking you for all you do: Tina Richter (President), Jen Pezza (Vice President), Tracy Miner (Secretary), Sandy Jones (Treasurer), Christine Newton (Community Relations), Jaime Walden (Volunteer Coordinator), Stephanie Paziienza (Teacher Support), and Melyssa Ricci and Amy Wilkinson (Head Room Parents).

I am thankful to "Papa" Tom Sawyer for coaching our Middle School soccer team. At the beginning of the season, when we were looking for a coach, Mr. Sawyer stepped up and offered to coach the team, despite the fact that we only had 7 kids out for practice on the first day AND he had to drive 45 miles each way. Since that time our team has grown to a squad of almost 20 strong and, to date, the team is *undefeated* with a record of 9-0-1. Coach Sawyer brings both soccer expertise and unbridled enthusiasm to this program, and we are both thankful for and proud of this winning combination.

A week ago our new Athletic Director, Mrs. Amanda Dennis, launched our first (in a very long time—maybe ever) all-school pep rally. Each of the classes competed in composing an original cheer and designing a banner, which they presented to the entire student body, with the winners being awarded an ice cream party. The gymnasium was bursting with enthusiasm and everyone who attended agreed that it was a terrific event.

Although WBCA does not have a cafeteria, we provide a hot lunch each day through the volunteer efforts of many, including coordinators Pam Caranci and Andrea Medeiros. Despite their exceptional effort, this program is in jeopardy of terminating if we cannot find more volunteers to help distribute the food. Please give this consideration if you can.

Mrs. Cheri King is working with Mrs. MacKenzie and Mrs. Felkel to coordinate Chapel arrangements. This small committee is always open to new members and suggestions.

Our website is up, running, and is in great shape. In fact, our technology services and programs have been upgraded beyond what I could have ever imagined, which is also the result of a few volunteers working diligently with Mr. Burnett. I'd like to especially thank our web designer, Mrs. Jenna Steele, for all of her work in both building the website and helping us obtain thousands of dollars of government surplus equipment. Our "information liaison" is Mrs. Paula MacDonald, whose responsibility it is to get information from all of us to Mrs. Steele. The website is hosted by Mr. Joe Kralicky, and all of these efforts are coordinated by the BOT Technology chairperson, Mr. Paul Paziienza.

This list is by no means inclusive but merely highlights some of the many volunteer families for whom the entire West Bay community is extremely thankful. Thank you.

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"You see at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 5:6-8



God's Garden

"...You are nearer God's heart in a garden than anywhere else on earth."
- Dorothy Frances Gurney

Thank you to Mr. Tom Sawyer (grandfather of Chad, Gr. 8, Abby, Gr. 7, & Ben, Gr. 3) for designing and planting the gardens in front of the new wing. Your choices for the trees, shrubs, perennials, and annuals add the color and interest that help the construction to feel complete. Thank you for the generous contribution from Tim and Bonnie Sawyer who not only donated their father, but also the funds to purchase the plants.

Thank you to Mrs. Beth Storti (mother of Joshua, Gr. 7) for the beautiful, bountiful flowerpots flanking the new main entrance. You have such a special touch.

Thank you to Mr. Jeff McGowen (father of Alexandra, Grade 3) for cleaning up the tree line along the fence, behind the school. It took him some time to take down pine trees that did not survive.

From the Front Desk

Change of Address - The Gilbert family (Abraham, Grade 2 and Elizabeth, Grade 1) has moved. Their new address is 39 Cattail Lane, North Kingstown, 02852.

The MacDonald family (Paula, Front Desk, Kaitlyn, Grade 8, & Lauren, Grade 4) has also moved. Their new information is 32 Dawn Court, Wakefield, 02879, phone - 284-2458.

School Milk Program - What a hit milk at lunch has been!!!! The Eighth Grade is very thankful for your support of this fundraiser toward their class mission trip.

Coffee milk is regularly offered. This flavor is only available in 10 oz. chugs for 75 cents. Coupons for coffee milk are now available at the Front Desk.

God's World News - Thank you to John Wicks (father of Joshua, Grade 1) for making us aware of a helpful website - www.gwnews.com. With their *Kids' Corner*, free PDF samples, and parent/teacher resources, this site is full of "Good News that Inspires Kids!"

A New Way to Earn For West Bay ... A+Bonus Bucks by Stop & Shop

What are A+Bonus Bucks?

A+Bonus Bucks are points that accrue with each purchase using the Stop & Shop Card. (Please note: Gift cards, pharmacy, gas, alcohol and/or cigarette purchases are excluded from accruing points.) At the end of each month, the A+Bonus Bucks are used in a calculation to determine your school's cash total, which, then, is automatically credited to your school's account. It will be up to West Bay to decide the best way to use the reward.

What are the program dates for the 2009-2010 school year?

The program begins October 9, 2009 and runs through March 25, 2010.

How are A+Bonus Bucks earned during purchases?

Each shopping visit, A+Bonus Bucks are rounded per transaction to the nearest whole dollar amount.

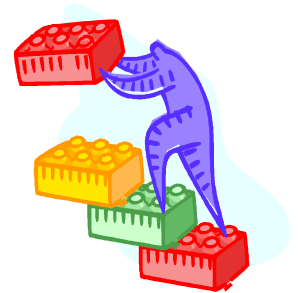
How can I earn Extra Credit for my school?

To earn Extra Credit for your school, just look for specially marked Extra Credit Items at your store. With each Extra Credit purchased using the Stop & Shop Card, you can earn an extra 50 A+Bonus Bucks for your registered school.

It is simple to register your Stop & Shop card - Go to www.stopandshop.com/aplus and select West Bay Christian Academy (ID# - 07212).

Robotics Club

The Robotics Club is looking for donations of Lego blocks that are no longer being used at your home. As the Club gets building, they will need quite a supply. Please bring in donations to the Computer Lab for Mr. Burnett.



From the Community

The Mission Team at Christ Church is hosting a fund-raising banquet, "Blooms in the Desert," on Sunday, Nov. 15, 6pm at the Crowne Plaza. Proceeds will support the Tyrannus Training Center in North Sudan, a school that trains young Christian leaders. Right now it is estimated that over 66,000 people die each day without having ever heard about Jesus. By training national workers, more people can hear the good news more quickly and more effectively than foreign workers can manage. If you want to make a difference, then please join us on Nov. 15. Tickets cost \$25 (which just covers the cost of the banquet) and are available at the church office, on Cedar Ave in East Greenwich.

Mark Your Calendar

For more/updated information, visit www.westbaychristianacademy.com

Thursday, October 22

Grade 5 Field Trip,
Plimoth Plantations

Soccer game at BCA

Thursday, October 29

Grade 2 Field Trip,
Chocolate Delicacy

Home Soccer game, 3:45 pm

Friday, October 30

K & 1 Field Trip, Providence's
Children Museum

Grade 4 Field Trip, Pequot Museum

Also Friday, October 30

Submission deadline for
November 5th Bulletin

Saturday, October 31

WBCA Friendship Soccer Tournament

Monday, November 2

Home Soccer Game, 3 pm

Tuesday, November 3

PVB Monthly Meeting, 7 pm
(NOTE THE SPECIAL TIME!!!)

Wednesday, November 4

Brownies #841 Troop Meeting

WBCA Writer's Corner - This is a new feature in the Bulletin. The WBCA Writer's Corner will run once per month on the back page. If you are a teacher who would like to submit the creative writing of one of your students, a parent who would like to offer a sample of something your child has written either at school or at home, or a student who would like to submit your own writing for all to enjoy, please contact Chris Kralicky at chris@kralicky.com. Check out this month's feature:



David and Goliath – by Garrett Morrison, Mrs. MacKenzie's Grade 3

Boom! Boom! Thundered Goliath as he marched out to the Israelites side of the mountain.

“Who dares to fight me!” he shouted.

“AAAAAAA” Get me away! Get me away!” screamed all Israel’s men and hid in their tents.

This continued for forty days until one day, instead of the usual response, somebody yelled,

“I shall fight you!”

“Come and fight me!” challenged Goliath.

A small boy emerged from the Israelite camp.

“What! How will you defeat me? With sticks and stones? Come here and let me kill you!”

“You come at me with sword and shield, but I come at you, in the name of the Lord!” screamed David.

He loaded his sling and fired. Bump! The stone went into Goliath's forehead.

Whamp! Goliath fell down, dead.

“AAAAAA” yelled all the Philistines and ran away.

“Yay!” yelled all the Israelites and gave chase to the Philistines.