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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Congratulations to Mrs. Kinnucane and the cast and crew of *The Descendants* on their wonderful performances this past weekend. We are so proud of our thespians! The next school-wide event will be Field Day for Grades K-7 which is scheduled for June 3. Please check Mrs. Dudra's website for information. Mrs. Dudra is in need of many volunteers to ensure the success of our annual Field Day.

MAP Testing is completed for the school year. As I stated in my previous letter, scores are used to determine eligibility for extra help in the areas of reading, language, and math. If you receive a 407-1 form from the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, please sign it and return it to school. If you do not want your child to receive the extra services, simply write declined at the top of the form and return it to school. *The MAP score report for the year will be sent home with report cards in June.*

Our lost and found table is overflowing with items. These items include sweaters, sweatshirts, lunchboxes, water bottles, uniform pieces and many other things. Please ask your child to check it. All items will be donated or discarded at the end of May.

With the end of the year approaching, the weather is becoming warmer. Please make sure that your child has a refillable water bottle each day. A reminder that sport top (squeezeable) water bottles are not allowed in middle school.

It seems that clarification is needed on the pants issue in church. Formal uniforms are still required on Mass days which is most often on Fridays. **Shorts are not part of the formal uniform and should not be worn to Mass.** Additionally, many students are wearing athletic support shorts under their gym shorts. While that's generally not a problem, the shorts that are neon or random patterns don't fit the uniform code. Please have your child wear solid black, navy, white, or green athletic support shorts under their gym shorts if they prefer to wear these types of undergarments.

In the past few weeks, a number of families have contacted the office to inquire about summer tutoring. We have collected the names and email addresses of SBS teachers who are available for summer tutoring. That information is posted in a separate flyer on the homepage of the school's website. Feel free to contact them if you are interested.

*The mission of St. Bartholomew School is to love, educate and inspire
our children to live the teachings of Jesus Christ.*

Here are a few dates that you need to be aware of:

May 20-24 - Final Exams (grade 8)
May 23-30 - Final Exams (grades 6 & 7)
May 24 - Early dismissal
May 27 - No School - Memorial Day
May 31 - Baccalaureate Mass and 8th Grade Graduation
June 5 - PreK4 - Step Up Program
June 6 - PreK3 - End of Year Program
June 7 - Kindergarten Step Up Program, early dismissal
June 10 - Early dismissal
June 11 - Early dismissal & last day of aftercare
June 12 - Last day of school, early dismissal

Thank you for your continued support of our wonderful school!

Wishing you a wonderful week,
Mrs. Theresa Craig, M.Ed.
Principal