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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you are enjoying a wonderful Spring and are ready for a few days away from the normal routine of school. We are all looking forward to Easter Vacation. We are about 30 school days from the end of the year, and know there are still many things that have to be accomplished before the end of the year.

Thank you to all who attended the PBL/Art Show event. I am so proud of our school and the wonderful projects that the children had on display. Congratulations to the teachers and students in PreK3 through 4th grade on a job well done! The end of the school year offers many opportunities for parents to participate in school events including the Band and Chorus Concert on May 1, the performances of *The Little Mermaid* on May 16 & 17, various field trips and Step Up events for PreK students and Kindergarteners.

As you know, students are permitted to wear their spring/summer uniforms once we return from vacation. This includes the khaki shorts and gym shorts for all students, and the khaki skirts for girls. Students may still opt to wear pants or sweatpants if they are more comfortable, and girls may wear the plaid or navy skirt. 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. I am asking parents to check jewelry on students and limit it to 1 necklace and 1 bracelet per child. Some students are pushing the limits on this.

Due to the lack of school closure days this year, we have adjusted the date of the end of the school year. **The last day of school will be Wednesday, June 11 with an 11:30 AM dismissal.** June 6, 9, 10, and 11 will be early dismissal days (11:30 AM). The last day for after school care is June 10. Please mark your calendars. For those families who need to use aftercare on June 6-10, the fees will be waived.

Spring 2025 has brought athletic opportunities for St. Bart's middle school students. Our inaugural boys volleyball season has begun and baseball and softball teams have started their second seasons. Our track team is also competing against local schools. We are excited to be able to offer these extra-curricular opportunities to our students.

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

May 1 - Spring Band and Chorus Concert

May 5 - Start of Spring MAP Testing for grades 1-8

May 5-9 - Teacher Appreciation Week

May 16 & 17 - St. Bart's Drama Club Presents - The Little Mermaid

June 6, 9, 10, 11 - Early dismissal at 11:30

June 10 - Early dismissal at 11:30 & last day of aftercare

June 11 - Last day of school (11:30 dismissal)

Thank you for your continued support of our wonderful school.

Wishing you a wonderful week,

Mrs. Theresa Craig, M.Ed. Principal