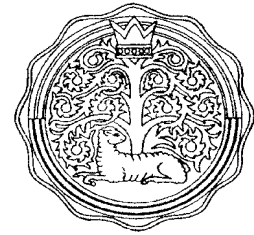


# The CommuniK-8or



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## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

### New Church Day

Come late May we start looking for "Holy Cities," "Great Red Dragons" and other dramatic imagery from the Book of Revelation to appear in various places around our school. New Church Day (June 19<sup>th</sup>) is coming! Riders on white horses, throne rooms in heaven, angels fighting dragons—it's pretty awesome.

And why is the wild imagery in Revelation a part of Holy Scripture? Many have tried to decipher its meaning. However, without the symbolism explained in the Heavenly Doctrine, the puzzle is impossible to solve. But in His Second Coming, the Lord God Jesus Christ now reigns in fullness and the mysteries have been revealed. Want to find out what's really happening in each of these spectacular stories? Visit the book *Apocalypse Revealed* at <http://www.swedenborgdigitallibrary.org/contets/AR.html> and you need search no further.

Happy New Church Day everyone! Remember to come and bring your family to the Bryn Athyn Church picnic (6:30 PM) and pageant (7:30 PM) at the Cathedral on Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

*Phil Schnarr, School Pastor*

### Calling in All Library Books!

It is that time of year again! Please make sure your child has returned all their library books by **June 1st!** Any books that have not been returned by the end of school will be billed to the child's family. The cost billed will cover the replacement value of the book and the estimated processing fees.

Mrs. Neiger will be sending you an email with a list of the books your children still have recorded as being checked out to them. If you have any problems finding a book or you think you may have returned it already, please notify her with a return email or call her. I have loved having your children in the library this year. Interacting with your children is the BEST part of my job!

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**Play Day Friday - modest play clothes & sun protection!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BACS SCHOOL CLOSING

Friday, June 4, 2010 - 11 a.m.

Please join us for Graduation and School closing to be held in the big gym of the Society Building.

**School Doors Open:** 10:30 a.m.; Borough crossing guards start 10:15; BACS crossing guards start 10:30. Students should arrive between 10:30 - 10:45.

**Kindergarten Parents:** Please have your children arrive promptly, as Kindergarten begins the procession at 10:50.

*While the 8th Grade is processing into Graduation, we ask parents and visitors to **please remain seated** so all guests can see the students and snap photographs.*

**To be fair to all of the graduates, please do not clap or call out when individual students receive their diplomas. Wait until all students have received their diplomas to offer you cheers and applause.**

When the program ends, we ask that parents and visitors remain seated until all BACS students have exited.

### Dismissal following Graduation

- K-7th will be dismissed from their classrooms at 12:15 - **unless alternative plans have been communicated to the teachers.**
- Please pick up your children promptly from their classrooms.
- 8th Grade will be dismissed from Society Building

⇒ **There will be NO buses at all on Friday, June 4**

Please see further bus information on reverse.

Reminder: there will be no afternoon school the last week of school. "Lunch Bunch" will carry on. Drop in rate \$20/day. Contact Joanne Kiel 215-239-5153

## FROM THE HEADMASTER

### The Lord Provides for and Protects Us

As the BACS academic year comes to a close, I find myself reflecting on what I have learned about our school strengths and where we are headed. Such reflection is facilitated by our school theme: "The Lord is a sun and a shield." That the Lord is a sun means that the Lord provides for us. At BACS the Lord provides us a daily opportunity to worship. Faculty and students pray together and reflect on the Word. Students frequently perform for us during worship, playing an instrument and/or singing. It is truly a gift the Lord provides us; to worship Him and hear the beautiful sounds our students produce. Worship is a special and powerful experience that is central to our being a New Church school.

That the Lord is a shield means that He protects us. One way BACS is working to protect our students is by fostering a sense of belonging within our increasingly diverse school community. To that end, I have asked Carla Reuter to head a committee charged with providing recommendations as to how BACS can be more inclusive. The committee will offer insights and steps that will aid us in continuing to foster an environment where students of all cultural backgrounds feel comfortable and loved. Committee members include: Chris DeMaria, Natasha Keys, Jodi Carr, Elaine Asplundh, Taney Friend, Kim Cooper, and Sacha Wade. In the coming year we will be communicating how BACS will continue to protect our students by building a growing sense of belonging.

I would like to thank the many people who have helped my family feel like we belong at BACS. We hope everyone has a happy and rejuvenating summer break.

Dr. Reid Prichett

Thank you BACS parents and staff for showering me with kind words, treats and gifts on School Nurse's Day. It was truly appreciated!

**REMINDER:** Please remember to pick up inhalers, Epi-pens and other medications from the nurse's office at the end of next week. Medications can be picked up in Liz's office after June 4<sup>th</sup>. Have a healthy summer!

Kathy McQueen

### Bus Schedule for Last Week of School

#### June 1st through June 4

Regular morning pick-up  
Tuesday, Wed. Thurs. for all districts

#### 12:15 pick-up

Abington: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Lower Moreland: Tues., Wednesday Thursday

#### NO 12:15 pick-up

Centennial  
Hatboro  
Upper Moreland

**No buses at all on FRIDAY, June 4**

## No School Monday, May 31, Memorial Day

### Dress for School Closing

Students in grades K-7 are expected to dress in Formal Event Wear

#### For Boys this means:

- A white button-up/oxford shirt (not a polo shirt)
- A BACS plaid tie
- Navy pants or shorts - the exception is, if a navy blazer is worn, the pants may be khaki

#### For Girls this means:

- A white button-up/oxford shirt or blouse (not polo)
- BACS plaid ties permitted, not required
- Navy or BACS plaid skirts, jumpers, pants or shorts  
The exception is, if a navy blazer is worn, the skirt, jumper, pants or shorts may be khaki

#### Boys and girls in all grades must:

- Tuck in their shirts
- Wear a belt if garment has belt loops

### BACS Library Summer 2010

#### Library Hours

The Bryn Athyn Church School Library will be open in JUNE only...It will be closed July and August. (No Formal Hours)

June hours of operation are:

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 to 12:00

### 2010 Summer Reading Program

The Summer Reading Program for students leaving 1<sup>st</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grades starts after school on June 4<sup>th</sup> and continues until August 31<sup>st</sup>. Home Schooled children are welcome to participate.

Encourage your children to read over the summer. Sit down and read to them. Have them turn off the TV and listen to a story. Every reading experience counts toward the Summer Reading Program total.

All Children who participate in the Summer Reading Program will be able to join in a "Reading Reward" day. By keeping a record of their summer reading and turning in a signed log (title and number of pages, with total pages calculated and a parent signature) by September 17<sup>th</sup>, students who read the minimum number of pages for the grade they are leaving will receive a fancy bookmark as well.

### 2010 Summer Reading Program

*Minimum Number of Pages per Grade*

**Grade (Leaving)                      Pages**

Grade (Leaving)	Pages
1	300
2	400
3	500
4	600
5	700
6	800
7	900