### The Bulldog Bugle



SUMMER EDITION

July 18th, 2025

### Get Ready for an Amazing Year: Meet Our New Faces & Welcome Back Our Superstars!

We're bubbling with excitement to introduce two fantastic additions to the St. Bartholomew family, and give a huge shout-out to all our returning rockstars! First up, please give a warm welcome to **Mrs. Lisa Simon**! She's stepping in for Kate Egan, our resource teacher, while Kate enjoys her maternity leave, and we couldn't be more thrilled to have her. Mrs. Simon brings a wealth of classroom experience and is even certified in Orton Gillingham. Your kids are in great hands!

Next, get ready to say "¡Hola!" to **Mrs. Paulina Gutierrez**, our new Spanish teacher! As a native speaker, she's going to open up a whole new world of language for our students right here during the school day. We're so incredibly lucky to have her! And the best news? Every single one of our amazing teachers and staff members is returning this year! They've been busy bees this summer, wrapping up their STEM certifications and diving into new curriculum to make sure next year is truly unforgettable for your children. Get ready for some serious learning (and fun!).



Family Picnic!
Back-to-School sneak peak!
NEW Website!
St. Bart's + Cameroon

#### **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday, July 29th - LLAMAPALOOZA! Free Family Party @ St. Bart's 5-7pm Wednesday, August 27th - Back to School Open House - 4-6pm Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!

#### **Tuesday, July 29th - Llamas & Family Fun Fest!**

Get Ready for an Evening of Llamas, Laughter & Pure Fun!

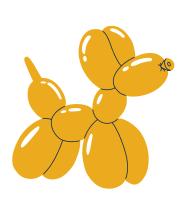
St. Bart's School invites you and your family to a FREE, unforgettable night that promises smiles, giggles, and maybe even a few llama selfies!

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, July 29th, between 5 PM and 7 PM for an extraordinary event designed especially for preschool through 5th-grade students and their families!

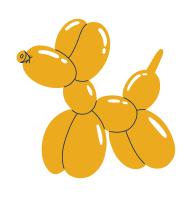
Prepare for an evening packed with delight:

- Lovable Llamas! Get up close and personal with the adorable and charming Carlson's Lovable Llamas! This is your chance for some truly unique family photos and a heartwarming experience.
- Wacky Balloon Creations! Watch in amazement as talented balloon makers twist and sculpt fantastic creations right before your eyes.
- A Touch of Magic Comedy Show! At 6:15 PM, prepare for side-splitting laughter as "A Touch of Magic" delivers a special comedy performance that will have your children (and you!) roaring with laughter!

Feeling hungry? A fantastic food truck will be on-site, offering delicious dinner and treat options for purchase, so you can make a complete evening of it! This is a FREE event, open to EVERYONE! Come bring a friend, connect with your community, enjoy some fantastic entertainment, and make lasting memories. Don't miss out on the llama-tastic fun! We can't wait to see you there!







### 2025 UPLOADING

Eager to get a head start on school supply lists? Find this year's shopping lists and other important 2025/26 documents <u>HERE!</u>



### St. Bartholomew Uniforms & Curriculum in Cameroon!

We are pleased to once again partner with our sister school in Cameroon - this week we were able to donate nearly an entire shipping container filled with uniforms, curriculum, books, desks and more to be used by students at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Nursery and Primary School! Please keep their leadership and students in your prayers.

#### **NEW St. BARTS WEBSITE** ANNOUNCEMENT!

We are thrilled to announce that we secured a large grant from the Catholic Community Foundation to fully redo the St. Bartholomew School Website this month. Our old site served us well this past decade, but it is time for a refresh of our largest outward facing marketing piece! Look for more details as this project wraps up. Please note - there will no longer be a parent log-in on our website - we have removed the family directory from our website and will pivot to providing this to families directly. More to come!



### 2025 All-School Family Picture Directory

We are pleased to announce collaborative pictorial directory for current families! Thank you to those who have already filled out a page. Take a look, get to know someone new, and add yours!

HOW TO: Click this link, add a new slide, pop in a picture and tell us about your family! This is great way to get to know each other & network togther, too. Reach out to Mrs. Jude if emailing is easier for you - she can add you manually!



## **SUMMER CAMP** Spottight

We've been busy having fun at summer camps this month! An incredible week of VBS helping our students grow in their faith, along with fun weeks of Art, local field trips, the Children's Theater rounded out the last two weeks.

Want to join us for any upcoming weeks? Themes include cardboard creation, national parks and more. Contact the office today!









#### **USED UNIFORMS**



We have plenty of stock ready for you to peruse! In lieu of a formal used uniform market, please stop by the internal school entrance any time and find what you need. If you would like to make a donation, please leave a check with the front desk.



#### St. Bart's Church & School Fundraiser - The Banyan Community

Banyan Community's School's Cool program has supplied materials and uniforms to area youth in the Phillips neighborhood of South Minneapolis for over 25 years! Your financial support can help ensure Banyan youth are prepared with the tools to learn and grow. With your help, the School's Cool program will support 173 K-12 youth in the 2025-26 school year. Click for MORE!







