Dear Cardinal Community,

We are excited to kick off Spirit Week at Bishop Diego on Monday! Students, parents, and moderators have been busy these past weekends constructing materials for our class decorating competition! We thank our ASB Moderator, Mr. Mike Cano, and all those involved for their dedication to our students and fostering Cardinal pride in anticipation of Bishop Diego’s signature Homecoming week. It is such an important week that I will dedicate my column to sharing with you the events of the week. Know you are welcome to celebrate with us at the events below!

**September 7-27th**
Homecoming Dance tickets go on sale in the Cardinal Store during lunch. $25/person or $40/two

**Sunday, September 23rd**
Final Workshop 12 pm - 3 pm. Seniors will pick an additional 4 hours (if needed) to prep for their Monday display

**Tuesday, September 25th - Thursday, September 27th**
Extended Lunch Schedule (12:33 -1:30 pm)
NO BISHOP PLUS ON WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY (3:00 pm dismissal all week)

**Monday, September 24th**
Mass Schedule; Homecoming Court Presentation 12:08 PM in Main Gym (families welcome!)
Seniors take down and Juniors set up 3:15-7:00 pm

**Tuesday, September 25th**
Prep for Skits/Lip Syncs 12:33 pm
Juniors take down and Sophomores set up 3:15-7:00 pm
Wednesday, September 26th
Class games competition in the Main gym 12:33pm
Sophomores take down and Freshmen set up 3:15-7:00 pm
All forms for Homecoming Dance due to Office

Thursday, September 27th
Prep for Skits/Lip Syncs 12:33 pm

Friday, September 28th
Special Bell Schedule, Red and White Day
In the morning before school, all classes set up their decorations in their areas; red and white balloons and other strategies to add Bishop colors to class areas.
Classes until 12:15 pm
12:15-1:15 pm Taco Lunch and Friday fun for all students
1:20-2:20 pm Lip Syncs/Skits in the gymnasium (families welcome!)
2:20 pm – 3:00 pm All campus Clean Up

Saturday, September 29th
Homecoming Football Game 7:30 PM @ SBCC
Half-time coronation of King and Queen

Sunday, September 30th
Homecoming Dance at Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort; 8:00-11:00 pm

I look forward to seeing you all at our Homecoming game vs. Grace Brethren at SBCC on Saturday, September 29th at 7:30 pm. For all our alumni, please check in at our special Alumni tent for your Bishop Swag

Yours in Christ,

Mrs. Karen Regan
Head of School
Monday evening, September 24th, at 6:30 pm there will be a mandatory parent meeting giving you all the information, paperwork and deadlines necessary for your senior to have a successful senior year.

**Location:** Mission Center

**Things being covered:**
- Calendar of events for the year
- Permission Slips for trips to be taken
- Senior Fees and Contract
- Graduation Announcements and Cap and Gowns
- All events scheduled for your student to have a great year

Please don’t miss this very important meeting for your senior.

Best always,

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**Admissions and Advancement – Dr. Cristy McNay**

**Looking for Parent Rock Stars!**

As we head into the kickoff for *The Fund for Bishop Diego* and *Giving Tuesday*, if you or someone you know would like to make a challenge to others with a matching gift that ramps up the excitement and doubles our fundraising efforts, please let me know right away! Matching gifts and challenges can be anonymous or named, start at any amount, and can help us raise
even more money for Bishop Diego’s students! For example, Senior Class families can band together to challenge Junior Class families to see who can raise the most money! Another example would be a family agreeing to match all donations made within the first hour of Giving Tuesday or the first month of The Fund for Bishop Diego up to a certain dollar amount. The possibilities are endless and we invite you to get creative with your challenges and matches!

**Cardinal Event**

Bishop Diego’s Cardinal Club will host the annual Cardinal Event on Saturday, October 6, 2018, from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. Dress for the evening is casual! Wear your favorite sports team’s jersey or shirt, enjoy an amazing BBQ dinner and open bar, dance the night away, and experience our Cardinal spirit! Tickets are $150 and provide entry for two to the event on October 6 as well as numerous chances to win cash prizes, including the grand prize of $10,000! There is also an Early Bird drawing for $500 on September 28 for tickets purchased by September 26. You do not need to be present at the event to win.

**Don’t Forget: Cardinal Event tickets must be purchased by 10/6!**

As a reminder, each family has a fundraising commitment to purchase or sell TWO Cardinal Event tickets. You can split the cost of the tickets with family, friends, and coworkers! All proceeds from this fundraiser go directly to Bishop Diego’s Athletics program. If you have lost the tickets assigned to your family or need assistance in fulfilling the fundraising commitment, please let us know. We are here to help in any way we can.

**Important Fall Admissions and Advancement Dates:**

- Fall Admissions Information Night – Tuesday, October 2 (date change)
- Middle School Movie Night – Tuesday, October 2 (date change)
- Cardinal Event – Saturday, October 6
- Open House – Sunday, November 4
- Freshman for a Day – Tuesday, November 6
- Middle School Wrap Party/Project Santa – Thursday, December 13

Warmly,

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Curriculum & Instruction

It's Spirit Week! Due to all the festivities we will not be having Bishop Plus schedule this week. That means **3:05 dismissal on Thursday, September 27th.**

**STEAM Society** members can sign up for the upcoming **field trip to CalTech** on Saturday, October 27th to attend the 1-day conference "Chemistry is Out of This World." Speakers include scientists working on the Mars 2020 mission, studying rocket launching chemistry, and studying the origin of the elements in space. Interested members must turn in a permission slip and the $15 registration fee to Dr. Shafer by Friday, September 28th. Dr. Shafer is also looking for parent volunteers to drive for the field trip. Bishop will cover the conference registration fee for parent drivers.

Those interested in the **Biology field trip to Florida** April should see Tori Pool ASAP. There are still a few open spots!

Here are a few examples of what's going on in classrooms this week:

In **Theology** 10 Rabbi Michael Lotker author of *What Every Serious Christian Should Know About Judaism* will be a guest speaker on Tuesday, September 25th. **Chemistry** students will be working on a mini-unit exploring the chemistry of outer space and space travel, and will have the opportunity to win $2,000 by entering into the Alka-Selzer Build Your Own Rocket Competition. **English** classes are exploring several classic pieces of literature, including Homer's *The Odyssey* and Dostoyevsky's *Crime and Punishment*; **AP Physics** will begin learning the Laws of Dynamics; and **US History** will be looking at life in the Civil War Era.

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Counseling Services – Mrs. Rya Carpenter

GRADES:

Mid-quarter grades have been updated in PCR as of Thursday, 9/20. If you haven't already checked your PCR portal for your child's current grades, please do so. If you need help with your PCR Parent Portal login credentials, please contact our Registrar, Liv Gonzalez, atlgonzalez@bishopdiego.org.

OFFICE HOURS:

Data shows that students who take advantage of Office Hours before school experience improvement with grades. If your student is struggling in any class, please encourage him/her to attend Office Hours as often as needed. Teachers and peer tutors are available to assist students Monday - Friday, 7:50-8:15 a.m.

COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS

Christian College Fair
Monday, September 24
6:00pm – 8:00pm
Main Gym

Concordia University, Portland
Tuesday, September 25
7:50am-8:20am
College and Career Center
**University of the Pacific**

Wednesday, September 26  
7:50am – 8:20am  
College and Career Center

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**Spiritual Life – Mrs. Jennifer Winnewisser**

**COMPASSION:** A kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal.  ~Steve Maraboli

Thank you sophomore parents for the wonderful food you provided for the Sophomore Retreat! Parent support in this area helps Campus Ministry focus our energy on the souls to which we are entrusted. Coming up is the Junior Retreat.  
Junior parents.... THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

**Blessing of the Animals** will take place on Thursday, October 4th at 8:20 am. All are welcome to bring pets of any size or species. We only ask that parents bring the pets home after the blessing. Small animals in cages such as hamsters, rabbits and lizards are welcome to stay on campus during the day.

**Junior Retreat** is Monday-Tuesday, October 8-9. Junior parents, be on the lookout for permission slips and information that your students will bring home. Thank you for getting those slips returned to school right away and for anything you can to to support and contribute to the retreat meals.
Senior Parents, please note that this Monday evening there is a very important, informative meeting about senior year EVERYTHING! One of several things that will be discussed is the Senior Retreat. Please make a point of attending the meeting in the Mission Center (room 208) at 6:30pm. See you there!

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Athletics – Mr. Dan Peeters

All teams have started their contests. To know when and where the teams are playing, please see the schedule below.

Please follow Bishop Athletics at BD Athletics on Twitter!

Go Cards,
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Upcoming Athletic Events

Monday September 24
Girls Golf Home vs La Reina & Grace Brethren 3:30p SB Muni GC  EARLY RELEASE 2:18p

Tuesday September 25
Girls Volleyball Home vs Santa Clara Frosh 4:00, JV 5:00p, Varsity 6:00p  NO EARLY RELEASE
Wednesday September 26
Girls Tennis Home vs St. Bonaventure 3:30p SB Muni Courts EARLY RELEASE 2:25p
Girls Golf @ St. Bonaventure 3:15p Olivas Links EARLY RELEASE 1:00p
Girls Volleyball Home vs St. Bonaventure Frosh 4:00p, JV 5:00p, Varsity 6:00p NO EARLY RELEASE

Thursday September 27
Girls Tennis @ Villanova 3:30p EARLY RELEASE 1:15p
Girls Volleyball @ Thacher JV 5:00p, Varsity 6:00p EARLY RELEASE 2:22p
Cross Country @ TCAA League Meet # 1 4:00p Camino Real Park EARLY RELEASE 1:45p
JV Football Home vs Grace Brethren 3:30p EARLY RELEASE 2:18p

Saturday September 29
Varsity Football Home vs Grace Brethren(Homecoming) 7:30p SBCC
Girls Volleyball Home Quad Tournament 9:00a Bishop Gyms

Dean of Students – Ms. Stacey Carr

Homecoming Questions and Information…

BDHS Annual Homecoming Dance
Sunday, September 30th 8pm-11pm.

Location of Homecoming
BDHS Homecoming will be held at the Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort from 8pm-11pm; doors close at 8:30pm.

Ticket Cost
$25 single
$40 couple
Cash or check (made to BDHS). Tickets are sold at lunch in the Cardinal Store. Last day to purchase tickets is Thursday, September 27th at lunch.

Guest Forms

Guest forms are available at the front office. Forms need to be completed and submitted to Ms. Carr by Wednesday, September 26th at noon.

All guests must be approved by the Dean of Students. All approved guests, accompanied by his/her approved hostess/host, must be prepared to show proof of identification at the door of
the dance. No guests may be 21 years of age or older. A student may not bring more than one guest. The student host/hostess assumes responsibility for the proper conduct of his/her guest including the wearing of appropriate clothing as specified for the dance.

**Attire for Homecoming**

The appropriate attire for each particular dance is stated on the permission form; however, principles of Christian modesty must be adhered to at all dances, irrespective of theme.

**Boys**

Dressing in semi-formal clothes… dressing in a suit and tie. For a semi-formal homecoming dance, you should wear a suit which includes a dress shirt, a tie, dress socks and dark-colored dress shoes.

**Girls**

Dressing in semi-formal clothes….wearing a dress that is 3” length above the knee or a longer gown. Dress should be modest fit with straps and frontal coverage; (strapless or backless not acceptable). Wearing a sweater or wrap may look nice for the photos, but after a few songs on the dance floor, you will want to remove that sweater/wrap; dress should be modest attire under the sweater/wrap. Semi-formal shoes for girls might mean a pair of high heels (no higher than 3”) or dressy sandals. Recommendation: do not spend money on new shoes, within the first ½ hour there is a pile of shoes in the corner of the ballroom.

**General Policies and Early Release**

Duration of School dances is generally three hours. Doors close 30 minutes after the posted start-time of the dance. Students may not be released until the posted end-time of the dance unless the parent has communicated in writing to the Dean of Students. Written permission from the parent/guardian must be provided to the Dean of Students prior to the evening of the dance indicating the time at which the student should be released. No student will be released without written confirmation by the parent. Students may not access any part of the dance venue that is unsupervised without permission and accompaniment of the administrator on duty.
The following procedures are specific to Bishop Dances:

1. Students attending a school-sponsored dance are agreeing to be subject to a Breathalyzer test at any time.
2. A student that refuses to take a Breathalyzer test or who tests positive will be restricted from dance attendance and only be released to the custody of his or her parent/guardian.
3. All bags may be subject to search.

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Parent’s Corner

Welcome to Spirit Week! Thank you to students, parents, families, & faculty for all the team work to create the amazing themes for each grade! Enjoy the talents & creativity of our Bishop students throughout the week. All donations given are greatly appreciated!

Thank you to all who are supporting & helping with the Sat., Sept. 29 football game & the Homecoming Court, & the Homecoming Dance on Sun., Sept. 30.

Cardinal Event is Sat., Oct. 6 at 6:00pm. Thank you for selling your event tickets! Please check out the Parent Square online sign up for requests of donations we’d like to include in raffle prize baskets at the event. Please let the Bishop office know if anyone has not received their invitation to join Parent Square. We’d like to say a huge thanks to all that have generously signed up to help already!

Mrs. Lynette Naour
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Volunteer hours for parents:

Do you love to garden? Bishop is looking for a volunteer (parent service hours) to help maintain Sister Helen’s beloved Peace Garden. If you enjoy working with the earth then this volunteer opportunity is just for you. To find out more information about what this service would entail, please contact Mr. Juan Diaz - 805-967-1266 ext. 117 or you may email him at juandiaz@bishopdiego.org.

Upcoming Bishop Events Calendar

9/23
Sunday Obligation
Rotation 7
12:00 pm Spirit Week Workshop

9/24
Christian College Fair – 6:00 pm.
Senior Parent Meeting – 6:30 pm.
Spirit Week – Seniors

9/25
Spirit Week – Juniors

9/26
NO BISHOP PLUS
Spirit Week – Sophomores

9/27
NO BISHOP PLUS
Spirit Week – Freshmen

9/28
Spirit Week – Skits and Lip Sync

9/29
Homecoming Game
Bishop Events Looking Ahead …

9/30
Homecoming Dance

10/1
NO SCHOOL

10/2
Admissions Information Night
Middle School Movie Night

10/3
BISHOP PLUS 1,2,3,4
5:00 pm Financial Aid Workshop for Senior Parents

10/4
BISHOP PLUS 5,6,7
Blessing of the Animals

10/6
6:00 pm Cardinal Event

10/8
Junior Retreat
7:45 am STEAM Society Group meeting

10/9
Junior Retreat

10/10
NO BISHOP PLUS
PSAT Testing
Senior Fun Day

10/11
NO BISHOP PLUS

10/12
All School Picture Retake Day
Senior Portrait Retake Day