Dear Bishop Community,

Today is Palm Sunday and we have come to a most sacred time of year in the Church, Holy Week. On Thursday, we will begin the Triduum, the three days of celebration including Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday.

On Holy Thursday, we celebrate Jesus giving us the gift of the Eucharist through the Last Supper. It was also at the Last Supper that Christ set an example of service for us to follow. At the Last Supper He performed the lowly task of washing the feet of His disciples. Jesus assumed the appearance of a servant by wrapping a towel around His waist and lowering Himself to clean their dust-covered feet. Imagine the surprise of the disciples to see their master kneeling before them. Why? To show them and us the importance of serving others. *I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.* (John 13:15)

As we anticipate the resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday, this is an excellent time to evaluate our goals for the Lenten season. Through the practices of almsgiving, prayer, and fasting, we have separated ourselves from the material world to focus on our inner spiritual lives. It is my hope that through our daily Lenten reflections, Lenten Penance services, and focus on serving others at Bishop Diego, we have helped prepare ourselves and our students for Christ’s resurrection at Easter.

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, I would like to wish you all a blessed Easter! Additionally, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for all you bring to Bishop in the form of your children. Enjoy some great family time during break and come back refreshed and ready for a strong finish to the school year. School will resume on Monday, April 29th.
In planning for the upcoming weeks of school, I would ask you to please mark your calendar for Monday, May 6th, as we will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting in partnership with the Daniel Bryant Youth and Family Center. As parents and educators, it is our privilege and responsibility to guide our young men and women as they navigate the path to adulthood. An important part of this responsibility is addressing difficult issues that present themselves during the teenage years. The topic of substance abuse and how it manifests itself in young people today is of particular importance given the fast uptake of electronic vaping devices among high school students across the country.

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We are pleased to be able to partner with the Daniel Bryant Youth and Family Center as they will have local resources and information available, as well a panel of experts to field questions. The evening will begin at 6:00pm in our library, with refreshments provided by Locally Grown Kids, our new food service provider, and the formal program will begin at 6:30pm. A flier will be forthcoming, but we do encourage all teens and parents to attend; please RSVP by calling Cindy McCarthy at (805) 967-1266 x 112 or emailing cmccarthy@bishopdiego.org. Given this is a town hall meeting, all are welcome, regardless of any affiliation with Bishop, so please spread the word. Together we will make a difference!

In Christ,

Mrs. Karen Regan
Head of School
Re-enrollment for 2019/20 is now past due!

Re-enrollment information has been sent to the parent email address(es) on-file. If you have not received this information or have updated your email address, please contact the Admissions Office right away.

Family Service Hour Opportunity

Family service hours are due by May 15! If you need service hours, we are looking for donations to and help with the Golf Tournament on May 3rd. See the most recent Parent Square message to sign-up!

Warmly,
Dr. Cristy McNay
Director of Admissions and Advancement
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Curriculum Additions

We are excited to offer a new course next Fall called Introduction to Film Making, taught by Mr. Flanagan. In this Visual & Performing Arts course students will learn techniques of using visual language as a tool for communication. Students interested in any aspects of film--writing, acting, directing, producing--will be able to explore their creative abilities while working on projects in various genres, including short fiction, documentary and television series. Interested students should see Mr. Flanagan for more information, or Mrs. Anderson to sign up.
We are also delighted to announce that Bishop Diego has been accepted to the Amazon Future Engineer Program. This exciting sequence of courses is designed to prepare students to pursue careers in computer science and will allow our school to offer AP Computer Science classes. It also allows students to connect in-person or virtually with an Amazon engineer, or take a field strip to a fulfillment center which provides hands-on experience working with industry-leading cloud computing tools. For the 2019/2020 school year this means we will be offering courses in Intro to Computer Science.

Once again we will be offering AP Government. This course is a 12th grade social science class open to those that earn a 3 or higher on the AP US History Exam, or a B+ in US History and American Literature, and recommendations from any previous Social Science or English teachers. Please contact Mrs. Anderson or Mrs. Carpenter if you have scheduling questions.

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Counseling Services – Mrs. Rya Carpenter

INSTAGRAM – The College Counseling Office uses Instagram to send friendly reminders and highlight fun facts. Please follow us @bdhscollege

COLLEGE VISITS: Easter Vacation can be a great time to get out and see a college or two. It is recommended that you book an “official” visit, which can be done by visiting the college website and typically signing up on the Admissions page. Look for a tab that says something like, “Visit Us”. College visits usually take about 90 minutes, so maybe plan a visit while visiting relatives in San Diego, or friends in San Francisco. It is never too early to start visiting colleges, as it helps students formulate an idea of the ‘type’ of school they will flourish in academically, socially and financially.
SBCC PROMISE: Staff from the SBCC Promise Program will present to interested Senior Parents on Wednesday, April 17 at 5:30pm in the College Center.

SBCC REGISTRATION FOR SENIORS: Those who will attend SBCC in the fall have a mandatory academic advising session at Bishop on Monday, April 29 from 2:00pm-4:00pm in Room 202. And then, at 8:30am on Wednesday, May 1, SBCC Counselors will return to Bishop to do a training on how to sign up for classes online. This meeting will also take place in Room 202.

Rya Carpenter
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College Counselor
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Spiritual Life – Mrs. Jennifer Winnewisser

It is Holy Week, the most sacred days in the liturgical year. We take time to reflect on the Life, Passion and Death of our Savior Jesus Christ as we prepare for his Resurrection at Easter, the holiest day of the year.

Monday, the students will gather in the chapel for the Stations of the Cross, a walk through Jesus' final moments, pausing to reflect on what this might mean for our own lives.

"Jesus instructs His disciples: If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you." John 13:1–17 Throughout this week, Campus Ministry is sponsoring a Sock Drive for Santa Barbara's chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The socks will be distributed to the homeless in the Santa Barbara area through this wonderful charitable organization. Donations of new men's and women's socks can be brought to the library or the Mission Center any time this week. Donations are due by Thursday.
Congratulations to the following students who received the *Sacrament of Confirmation* last week at St. Raphael Church. We are proud of your desire and commitment to be confirmed in the Catholic faith and we pray that the Holy Spirit continues to fill your hearts and kindle you with his love. We also pray for the students who will soon be confirmed at the other parishes in town.

Veronica Arreola  
Benjamin Boeddeker  
Emma Carty  
William Fittipaldi  
Catherine Gibbons  
Thomas Gibbons  
Devin Goodwin  
Evelyn Pazos Ramirez  
Andrea Perez  
Cassidy Quintana  
Connor Streett  
Leila Valadez  
Luke Williams  

On May 1st, we will honor our Blessed Mother with a *May Crowning Ceremony* at the Mary statue in the quad followed by Mass in the gym. The ceremony will begin at 11:53 am. Parents are welcome to join us!

Thursday May 2nd there will be a special lunch for all *Seniors and their dads* (or father figures) at 12:53 in the picnic table area. All fathers of senior students, we hope you can join us! Be on the lookout for ways you can help out. Thank you to Mike Conroy for organizing.

Wishing you a prayerful Holy Week and a Blessed Easter!

Jennifer Winnewisser  
Director of Campus Ministry & Spiritual Life  
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I am thrilled to announce we will be offering a Strength and Conditioning class exclusively for our female students. This class will be directed by our new Girl’s Volleyball Coach, Dillan Bennett, and open to all female student athletes.

The class will emphasize constantly varied, high-intensity functional movement and will help our female student athletes develop cardiovascular endurance, stamina, strength, flexibility, power, speed, coordination, agility, and balance. This new course offering is geared towards maximizing athletic performance and fitness for any physical challenge or activity.

If you are interested please follow up with Mrs Anderson via email janderson@bishopdiego.org

Also, at Bishop Diego, we are committed to supporting the health of our student athletes. We are pleased to announce that we have partnered with C3Logix, an integrated concussion management system, to provide yet another diagnostic tool to help assess appropriate return to play in the event of injury.

The first step in implementation of this system is securing baseline information on our student-athletes. The last baseline testing date is Wednesday, April 17th from 3-6pm in the weight room. No appointment is necessary.

The goal is to have every student athlete tested prior to the end of the school year, so please encourage your son or daughter to attend one of the above sessions.

Here is link to the system http://www.c3logix.com/ if you desire more information.

Thanks for your support!

GO Cards

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Upcoming Athletic Events

**Monday April 15**  
Boys Volleyball Home vs Foothill Tech 5:00p Senior Day **NO EARLY RELEASE**  
Boys Baseball Home vs Valley Christian 4:00p Senior Day **EARLY RELEASE 2:14p**

**Tuesday April 16**  
Beach Volleyball @ DP 3:30p East Beach Courts **EARLY RELEASE 2:50p**  
Boys Volleyball @ Cate 5:00p **NO EARLY RELEASE**

**Wednesday April 17**  
Boys Golf League Match #4 Home 1:00p Rancho San Marcos GC **EARLY RELEASE 11:45a**

**Thursday April 18**  
Beach Volleyball @ San Marcos 3:30p **SCHOOL OUT 1:30p**  
Softball @ Dos Pueblos JV Team 3:30p **SCHOOL OUT 1:30p**

**Saturday April 20**  
Track and Field @ SB County Championships Santa Ynez HS ALL DAY

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**Upcoming Bishop Events Calendar**

4/13  
Sunday Obligation  
Rotation 6

4/17  
**BISHOP PLUS 1,2,3,4**  
ASB Speeches and Elections  
11:40 am – Army ROTC UCSB  
5:30 pm – SBCC Promise Info Session for Seniors

4/18  
**BISHOP PLUS 6,7,5**  
ASB Speeches and Elections

4/19 – 4/28  
Easter Break
4/29
School Resumes
2:00 pm – SBCC Class Planning Day with Seniors

5/1
Alumni Mass & May Crowning
8:30 am – SBCC Class Planning Day with Seniors

5/2
No Bishop Plus

5/3
Golf Tournament
No school

5/6
7:45 am – STEAM Society group meeting
AP US Government
5:30 pm Daniel Bryant Town Hall Meeting

5/8
AP English Lit Exam

5/10
AP Art
AP US History Exam

5/13
AP Biology Exam

5/14
AP Calculus AB / BC
AP Human Geography

5/15
AP English Language

5/16
AP Statistics

5/18
3 on 3 Ron Boeddeker Memorial Basketball Tournament
5/19
Prom

5/20
No School

5/21
Mass Schedule – Little Shop of Horrors performance
Spring Sports Banquet

5/22
Senior Finals 1,2,3

5/23
Senior Finals 4,5
Seniors and Faculty - Graduation practice

5/24
Senior Finals 6,7

5/27
No School

5/28
Senior Grad Night
12:53 pm - Gratitude BBQ lunch

5/29
Finals 1,2,3

5/30
Finals 4,5
Encaenia
Senior Parent Luncheon

5/31
Finals 6,7
7:00 pm - Baccalaureate Mass

6/1
10:00 am Commencement