

Clubs & Activities

Archery Club - Students, 3rd grade and up, meet after school to practice archery in the gym. The program runs from October to March during which time the students meet once per week in 2 different groups. One group meets on Wednesday, the other on Thursday. There is a cost of \$2 per session to help replenish equipment.

Band/Recorders - Students in 6th and 7th grades have the opportunity to take band class at the middle school with other public school students. At the end of 5th grade, students can sign up for band and select an instrument. Marshall Music and Cheboygan Middle School coordinate instrument rental and communication with the parents. Students take public school bus transportation to and from Bishop Baraga for one hour each day.

Battle of the Books - Students, 3rd grade and up, are divided into teams and each student is asked to read a hand full of books for the team. The students read the books on their own time and the battles take place after school. The teachers direct the program asking questions about the books during the battles in a quiz bowl format and the students answer the questions as a team. The program runs in late fall thru January.

Buzz Club - Students in 5th, 6th, and 7th grades, under teacher direction, write articles for and publish the Baraga Buzz. The students meet after school once per month.

Chess Club - Students, 4th grade and up, meet during their lunch period to play chess. The program runs from January through March.

Children's Choir - Students, kindergarten and up, meet the first Friday of the month after school for choir practice and sing at the 4:30 p.m. mass at St. Mary/St. Charles on the first Saturday of every month. Other practices are scheduled during the year to prepare music for special celebrations such as Christmas mass and community events. The program runs the entire school year and is under the direction of Theresa Gowell and George Krawczyk.

Cooking Club - Students, 4th grade and up, meet after school on the first and third Thursdays of the month in the kitchen of Bishop Baraga School under the direction of Kayte Schryer and Brenda Dunham. They prepare delicious goodies from desserts to simple dishes. The students sharpen their measuring, math and reading skills without even knowing it. Cost per session is \$3 - \$5. This program runs from October through April.

Cribbage Club - Students, 4th grade and up, meet during their lunch period to play cribbage under the direction of an upper grade teacher. The 3rd grade cribbage club is under the direction of Molly Mousseau and meet on Wednesdays at recess. These programs run from January through March.

LEGO Robotics - Students, 2nd grade and up, meet twice a month in the computer room. This program helps students foster an interest in science, technology, engineering and math while promoting teamwork and imagination. All this combined with the fun of LEGOS! Students work in pairs using school computers and the LEGO "We Do Robotics" sets to program simple machines. Cost per session is \$1.

Rosary Club – Students, 1st grade and up, meet every Tuesday after school and make beaded rosaries under the direction of Val Porter, Elizabeth Taylor and Joanne Luttrell. The rosaries are sent to people who otherwise would not have them and sometimes sent to other countries.

Ski Club – Students in the 6th grade join the public middle school for ski trips to Nob's Nob on Friday nights during the ski season. The program is run by the public school with Jill Kwiatkowski as Baraga's chaperone. Transportation, lift ticket and equipment rental costs are associated with this program.

Student Council – All students in the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th grades are possible members of student council. Officers are elected from students in these grades. Under the direction of Kitty LaBlance and Chase Closs, the council represents the student body and meets at least once per month (more if necessary for special events) during their lunch period and plan activities for the school such as the haunted classroom, school dances and events for Catholic Schools week. If there are any student concerns, those are brought to the attention of the principal during council meetings. Money that is raised through student council activities are put back into the school and community charities.