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BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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*In Christ Alone: by Grace alone, by Faith alone, by Scripture alone*

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**GIFTS/DONATIONS:** There is nothing to report for this week.

**2018-19 PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT:** Bethel Lutheran Preschool is now accepting enrollments on a first come first served basis for the 2018-19 school year. Please see Mrs. Virant for additional information.

**CEA BUSINESS MEETING:** A second CEA business meeting has been scheduled for this coming **Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**. The meeting will be held in the Multipurpose Room right after church. Please plan to attend. Thanks!

**CHILDREN'S SERVICE SURVEY:** Last week a survey was sent home asking for your opinion on a possible change day and time for the Children's Christmas service. Please return your form by Friday. Thanks!

**MLS FINE ARTS FAIR:** All information has now been submitted. Thanks to those that have entered. Keep the date of **Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** open and check things out.

**VOLLEYBALL MATCH CHANGE:** Please note the revised volleyball schedule later in this newsletter. If you have a separate VB schedule you need to adjust it. Originally there was a tri-match scheduled for Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> here at Bethel. That set of matches has been moved to Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, starting at 5:30 since it is a school night.

**MLS BB TOURNEY:** Our boys played in the MLS tournament this past Friday and Saturday. They lost their first two games but defeated St. Bart's in a one point thriller in the last game. Go, Bobcats!

**BALL BOYS' TOURNAMENT:** Our boys have one tournament left and then the season is over. They will play at Trinity on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. A tournament bracket is attached.

**TECHNOLOGY:** It is time! Resources are now available and therefore sometime this coming week I plan to order 20 Chromebooks and a smart charging chart. These purchases are possible due to donations, fundraising by the CEA and congregational support through the Children's Christmas Service offering. Our initial investment should run from \$4,000.00 to \$6,000.00. It is likely that additional equipment will be

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** The Sunday school lesson for **Sunday, February 18** is "Jesus Visits Mary and Martha." The treat will be provided by Raushi.

**CHAPEL:** For the second quarter our chapel offerings will be given to our own **Bethel Equip for Quality Special Fund**. Two weeks ago **\$34.75** was collected. This past week **\$40.50** was collected. Our offering for the quarter now totals **\$105.25**.

**WLCFS:** Chapel offerings for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter were sent to the Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Service. Please see the attached thank you letter.

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** Bethel's first Lenten service will be this coming **Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**. **The Junior Choir will be singing** and the CEA will host the first soup supper. Please plan to attend!

**HOT LUNCH:** Thanks to those that served hot lunch last week, everything was great! The menu for **Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>** includes sloppy Joes, potato chips, bananas, and ice cream. Our workers are scheduled to be **Luetzow, McGehee, and Neveau**.

needed to support a more robust use of technology in our school. It will take time to get all that figured out. Starting next year there is likely to be a small technology fee students will have to pay so that we can expand our use of technology, plan for future upgrades and replacements, and continue to improve our infrastructure. We are excited to announce this initial purchase and are truly thankful for the widespread support we have received from so many. Your faculty will now begin working to get things set up, investigating and then deciding on how best to incorporate this technology into the classroom on a regular basis, and so much more. There is truly a lot more work to do, but we are excited about the future possibilities! As you might also remember, our school has been given a significant gift to incorporate programming through the use of robotics. This STEM concept will also need careful study and that process will soon begin. As soon as we are ready to purchase the materials we will need you will be informed.

#### **CLASSROOM NEWS:**

**Preschool:** Happy Valentine's Day! The children will conclude the theme: *Hearts and Hugs*. They will talk about Valentine's Day, how to keep their heart healthy, and review ways to show affection and dental health. The four year olds Bible lesson is *Jesus Walks on the Water*. They will learn Jesus taught his disciples to put their trust in him for help during times of trouble. The memory treasure is Psalm 50:15: *Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you*. The three year olds Bible lesson is *Jesus Feeds More than 5,000 People*. They will learn Jesus fed more than five thousand people with one lunch. The memory treasure is The Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer: *Give us today our daily bread*. Next Monday and Tuesday, February 19-20 will be parent teacher conferences. A schedule of the conferences will be coming home with your child this week. Thank you to Leann Austin, Paige Biskuski, Laura Corbat, Allie Greenwood, Teresa Hoffman, Jane Mania, Stephanie Potter, and Sarah Powers for helping with the parties on Tuesday and Wednesday. The children enjoyed all the activities that were planned.

#### **2018-2019 enrollment update:**

12 openings 4 year old class

12 openings in the 3 year old class

**Kindergarten:** Happy Valentine's Day! On Wednesday the children may bring in valentines to share with their friends. We will NOT be having a valentine's party because next week we will be celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. I have special activities planned for that day and will be sending home a separate note, so please watch for it. This week in Word of God the children will be studying Samson. The children have met all of the Super Kids. From now on each of their books will be introducing 2 or 3 letters and will be focusing on blending sounds and becoming more fluent at reading. Their new book will focus on letters B and R. In math they will be beginning a new chapter on 2 dimensional shapes. In science, they will continue learning about

matter, specifically the 3 states of matter – solid, liquid and gas. Show and Tell will be things that begin with the letter B. Have a great week.

#### **Memory Work:**

Tuesday, February 13 – none

Wednesday, February 14 – 12A Isaiah 41:10

Thursday, February 15 - none

Friday, February 16 – 12B Psalm 51:9

Monday, February 19 – none

**Grades 1-2:** We will have our valentine's party on Wednesday afternoon this week. Thanks to our room moms who are helping with it! Your child is not required to bring a treat or valentine's cards, but if he or she does, bring enough for everyone! We have 11 students in our class including your child. February STEAM projects, book orders, and reading logs will be sent home this week. Please place book orders online using online code Q4X4B. Both first grade and second grade will take a math test on Thursday this week. Please look for additional information about what we are learning in your child's Homework Guide.

**Grades 3-5:** I hope all the kids enjoyed the snow day yesterday and everyone is staying safe on the roads. This week will bring another week of classes. Our hymn, #369 *Beautiful Savior*, verses 1 and 4 are due on Wednesday. Thursday, unit 21 workbook is due and we will have the unit 21 spelling test. Friday memory work is due. All three grades will have a test in science over chapter 1 material on Thursday. Please help your child stay on top of their daily and weekly assignments. This Wednesday is the start of the Lenten season with Ash Wednesday. Junior Choir sings this Wednesday in that service. Blessings on your week!

**Grades 6-8:** I hope everyone enjoyed the unexpected snow day. That will put a little pressure on this week but we have been here before. Valentine's Day is coming up this week. Students are permitted to bring greetings and etc. Time will be provided for the exchange. Students are reminded to spend time reading regularly. Another book report will be due at the end of the quarter which is now about a month away. It's hard to believe that Lent is already here. It is a special time of the church year. I will do my best to structure things so that all my students should not have school work preventing them from attending weekly services being held on Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m. I look forward to worshiping with all my students attending each service. I have a nice number of students planning to attend the MLS Fine Arts Fair. All information has been sent in. I hope those entering are already working on their projects. Play practices will begin this coming week. My students always have lead rolls. Make sure you check in with your student regularly and help them prepare.

### SINGING SCHEDULE:

**2/14 Junior Choir Ash Wednesday**  
2/21 Grades 6-8  
3/4 Jr. Choir  
3/11 Pre & K  
3/18 Grades 3-5  
3/25 Jr. Choir  
3/30 Grades 1-8  
4/29 Jr. Choir Easter

### BOYS' BASKETBALL:

Practices: All from 3:00 to 5:00

**2/15**

2/19

2/22

Games:

**2/24 BALL TOURNAMENT @ TRINITY**

### VOLLEYBALL:

Practices:

**Tue. 2/13 3:30 to 5:00**

**Fri. 2/16 3:00 to 5:00**

Tue. 2/20 5:00 to 6:30

Fri. 2/23 3:00 to 5:00

Mon. 2/26 5:00 to 6:30

Tue. 2/27 5:00 to 6:30

Tue. 3/6 5:00 to 6:30

Tue. 3/13 3:00 to 5:00 (Maybe 5:00 to 6:30)

Tue. 3/20 5:00 to 6:30

Matches:

**Fri. 3/2 vs. Emanuel @ Christ @ 6:30**

**vs. GS.SJ @ Christ @ 7:30**

Fri. 3/9 vs St. John's I @ Bethel @ 6:30

vs. Trinity II @ Bethel @ 7:30

Fri. 3/16 vs. St. Barts @ Trinity @ 6:30

vs. Trinity I @ Trinity @ 7:30

Tue. 3/20 vs. St. Luke's @ Bethel @ 5:30

vs. St. John's II @ Bethel @ 7:30

**SPIRIT WEEK:** Each year our school has a spirit week the week before our boys participate in the BALL Basketball Tournament. This year spirit week will be from **February 19 to 23**. This year there will be a contest to see which room demonstrates the most spirit. A trophy will be awarded to the room with the most spirit, and that room will have bragging rights for a year.

**Monday 2/19 - Super Hero Day**

**Tuesday 2/20 - Pajama Day**

**Wednesday 2/21 - Formal Dress Up Day**

**Thursday 2/22 - Favorite Sports Team Day**

**Friday 2/23 - School Colors Day**

**BIRTHDAYS:** There are none to report for this week.

### COMING UP:

2/14 - Ash Wednesday

2/18 - CEA Business Meeting in MP Room

2/19-23 - Spirit Week

2/22 - Hearing grades 2 and 4

3/2 - Principals' Conference

3/2 - Sports pictures

3/3 - MLS Fine Arts Fair

3/5 - K Visit Day

3/7 - K Visit Day

3/9 - BALL League Meeting

3/11 - Daylight Saving Time begins

3/23 - End 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

Faculty in Service in the afternoon – ½ Day

3/25 - Palm Sunday

3/26 - Report Cards Due Out

3/30 - Good Friday – Special Pizza Lunch – School out after 1:00 PM Service

4/1 - Easter Sunday

4/2-4/6 - Spring Vacation – No School

4/23 - Examination

4/27 - Principals' Conference

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Career Day at Career Center

4/29 - Confirmation Sunday

### MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY:

The MLS Booster Club volleyball tournaments will take place on Saturday, February 24 and Sunday, February 25. The coed tournament will take place on Saturday and the men's and women's tournaments will take place on Sunday. You can register your team online by visiting [www.mlsem.org/boosterclubvolleyball](http://www.mlsem.org/boosterclubvolleyball). The entry fee for the tournament is \$65.00 per team. The registration deadline is Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions at all during the time leading up to the tournament, please do not hesitate to reach out and contact our tournament director, Mr. Justin Danell, [danellj@gamil.com](mailto:danellj@gamil.com) or cell – 262-527-1033.

The MLS Booster Club will be hosting its second annual 3 on 3 Basketball tournament on March 17, 2018 at the MLS gymnasium. Age divisions include 5-8 grade boys and girls. Entry fees are \$75.00 per team. There is an early bird price of \$65.00 if you register before February 25, 2018. Registration deadline is March 11, 2017 at midnight. To register visit [www.mlsem.org/3on3](http://www.mlsem.org/3on3)