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BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

2/19/2018

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

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SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Sunday school lesson for **Sunday, February 25** is "Pharisee and Tax Collector." The treat will be provided by **Crites**.

CHAPEL: For the second quarter our chapel offerings will be given to our own **Bethel Equip for Quality Special Fund**. This past week **\$29.50** was collected. Our offering for the quarter now totals **\$140.75**.

HOT LUNCH: Thanks to those that served hot lunch last week, everything was great! The menu for this coming Wednesday includes **hot dogs, corn, apple slices, and cookies**. Our workers are scheduled to be **Nitz, Powers, and Raushi**.

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.

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

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

SPIRIT WEEK: Each year our school has a spirit week the week before our boys participate in the BALL Basketball Tournament. Spirit week is this week, **February 19 to 23**. 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

POPCORN FRIDAY: To cap off Spirit Week, there will be a popcorn day this coming **Friday, February 23rd**. Please remember to send money for popcorn.

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING: All 2018-19 kindergarten-bound children are invited to "**Hop on into Kindergarten**". This is the theme for this year's kindergarten visitation. Because of the number of children we have had participate in the past, we have decided to have 2 visitation days. This year's visitations will take place on **Monday, March 5 and Wednesday, March 7 from 10:00-11:55am**. If you would like your child to participate, please sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board in the multi-purpose room or speak to Mrs. Mayhew by **Wednesday, February 28**. Your child must turn 5 by September 1, 2018 in order to be eligible for kindergarten. Mrs. Virant and Mrs. Mayhew will decide on which day your child will visit and will inform you.

PRESCHOOL PARENTS - KINDERGARTEN SCREENING: Parents of 4 year old preschool children, if you are interested in continuing your child's education here at Bethel Lutheran School for the 2018-19 school year, please sign up for a time for Mrs. Mayhew to screen your child. Screenings are taking place now. This screening is provided as a service to all preschool children even if you decide not to enter our kindergarten. Your child must turn 5 by September 1, 2018 in order to be eligible for kindergarten. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the multi-purpose room. If you have any questions or if the times available do not work for you, please speak with Mrs. Mayhew.

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

CEA SOUP SUPPER: The CEA Soup Supper was a great success. Thanks to Michelle Neveau for heading up this event and to all those who donated and worked!

GRADES 6-8 SING: Grades 6-8 sing for the Lenten service this coming **Wednesday, February 21st**. Every voice is needed so that all the effort put into preparation isn't negated by poor attendance. Please make sure you plan to attend. Thanks!

SURVEYS: Thanks to those that turned in the survey about the possible change of our Children's Christmas Service! If you haven't turned yours in yet please do so right away.

CEA MEETING: Thanks to all those who attended the CEA meeting yesterday. Several important things were accomplished.

- Jennifer Thunberg and Sarah Powers will be running the annual fundraiser next year and will have some ideas to present at the fall kick off meeting.
- Shannon Fuhrman will head up teacher appreciation week this year which will run from May 7 to 11.
- Todd Thunberg will replace Michelle Neveau as the hot lunch shopper next year.
- Sarah Powers will head up this year's Pine Car Derby which will be held on May 20, 2018.
- Nominations for CEA Secretary are needed. Please contact Mr. Dast if you are willing.
- Someone new will be needed to head up concessions next year. Please contact Mr. Dast.

BOX TOPS: If you have any box tops saved up at home, please bring them in right away. What we have will be submitted for redemption very soon. Thanks!

SPORTS PICTURES: Photo Factory will be here on Friday, March 2nd to take basketball sports pictures. Things will get started about 1:00 p.m. We will offer the same basic packages as in the past. If coaches would like their picture taken with their team, please contact me right away or show up before 1:00 p.m. On this date all basketball uniforms are to be turned in. **PLEASE CAREFULLY SPOT, AND THEN WASH YOUR CHILD'S UNIFORM. CHECK IT OVER CAREFULLY FOR DAMAGE AND IF THERE IS DAMAGE, HAVE IT REPAIRED BEFORE TURNING IT IN.** A sample packet is attached to this newsletter. The actual form will be sent home the day before for the picture session.

PLAY PRACTICES: This year is a play year. Our school will be presenting two plays on **Saturday, April 14th**. Grades 3 to 8 will begin practicing next week. If you would like to know dates for the practices, they will all be posted on our Google Calendar.

CAREER DAY: Last week eighth grade students received packets of information about Career Day and the ISD Skill Center. They were to fill out the form for choice of classes and also fill out a permission slip. Eighth grade parents, please check in with your child on this and make sure you return the forms right away!

TISSUES: There are no tissues left for grades 6-8. Parents, please each send another 3 to 4 boxes of tissues per child. I hope that will take us to the end of the year.

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Preschool: The final full week of February is upon us. How the time has flown. Monday and Tuesday, February 19-20 will be parent-teacher conferences. A schedule of the conference times came home with your child last week. The children are also looking forward to a fun week participating in School Spirit Week with the different special days. The 4 year olds are studying the Bible lesson *Jesus and the Ten Sick Men*. The children will learn that Jesus healed the ten sick men. The 3 year olds will study the Bible lesson of *Jesus Teaches Mary and Martha*. They will learn Jesus says that hearing his Word is most important. The preschool children will begin their theme *Opposites Attract*. They will learn about opposites: happy/sad, night/day, empty/full as well as positional opposites. The four year olds will also learn about Presidents' Day. The letter is R, the number 14, the color pink, and the heart shape.

2018-2019 enrollment update:

12 openings 4 year old class

12 openings in the 3 year old class

Please note the upcoming dates:

February 19-20	Parent-Teacher consultations
March 5 and 7	Kindergarten Visitation
March 9	MLS Play
March 19	Vision and Hearing Screening for 2018-2019 Kindergarten students

Kindergarten: This week in Word of God the children will learn about Ruth. In art class, they will be learning about warm, cool, and neutral colors. In their letter book, the children will be starting letter R. They will be working on recognizing rhyming words (also called word families) and reading longer stories. In math they will continue to learn about 2-d shapes. We have begun a new chapter in science. The class will be learning how things move. Our sight word for this week will be the word *we* and *Show and Tell* will be things that begin with the letter R. Tuesday will be the 100th day of school. Don't forget to bring in your cookies to share on that day. This week is also Spirit Week. A list of days is posted outside the classroom door.

Memory Work

Tuesday, February 20 – 13A Matthew 22:37

Wednesday, February 21 – none

Thursday, February 22 – none

Friday, February 23 – 13B James 1:17

Monday, February 26 – none

Grades 1-2: We will celebrate the 100th day of school this week Tuesday. Please remember to place Scholastic Book orders online using online code Q4X4B. We will take a social studies test on chapter 3 this Thursday. Please look for additional information about what we are learning in your child's Homework Guide.

Grades 3-5: It's Spirit Week and I hope the kids are excited! Please check the newsletter for the theme of each day. Last week our book report packets were passed out to each student, the deadline to have a book approved is this Wednesday. Also this Wednesday our hymn for the week, CW #105 *O Sacred Head Now Wounded* is due. It was wonderful to see so many students in church last Wednesday for Ash Wednesday and this Wednesday we have another opportunity to worship during this Lenten season. I pray that everyone will take advantage of those opportunities. On Thursday spelling Unit 22 is due and we will have our word test. On Friday memory work is due. 3rd and 4th grade will have a test in math on Tuesday. This week we will begin practicing for our play in April, please check your newsletter or any notes going home for potential information on the upcoming play. Blessings on your week!

Grades 6-8: As mentioned earlier in this newsletter we have no tissues remaining in our classroom. Please send multiple boxes tomorrow. In a few weeks another book report will be due. Has your child been reading? There will be a series of tests coming up. There was a 7-8 English test today. Sixth grade will have a test about mid-week. Tests in social studies and science will be coming up later this week. This week we begin practicing for our school play. As I mentioned in earlier articles, my children have the lead parts. It is very important that they work on their parts in their spare time. Parents, you can help by asking to hear your child's parts and making sure your child know his or her part. Thanks!

SINGING SCHEDULE:

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

2/19

2/22

Games:

2/24 BALL TOURNAMENT @ TRINITY

VOLLEYBALL:

Practices:

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

BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to:

Carly Krohn	2/24	Gr. 7
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COMING UP:

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 rd 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
4/14	- School Plays
4/23	- Examination
4/27	- Principals' Conference
	8 th 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. The entry fee for the tournament is \$65.00 per team. The registration deadline is Saturday, February 17th. 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, danellji@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