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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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**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday school has ended. Thanks to all those who served as teachers during this past year. Bethel Church looks forward to offering your children another opportunity to attend Sunday school starting in September. Please watch for sign up information!

**CHAPEL:** For the fourth quarter our chapel offerings will be given to our own **Martin Luther College Tuition Match Program**. This past week **\$38.86** was collected. Our offering for the quarter now totals **\$297.91**.

**PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT:** BLP is accepting applications for the 2018-19 school year! There are currently 7 openings in the 4 year old program and 10 openings in the 3 year old program. If you know of a family with preschool-aged children, please encourage them to consider Bethel Lutheran Preschool.

**BALL TRACK MEET:** The date for this meet this year is **Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**. The meet will start around 9:00 a.m. Please listen for announcements regarding the running of various events. I hope everyone is training. Go, Bobcats!

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

**PINE CAR DERBY:** Thanks to all those who participated in yesterday's pine car derby! Thanks also to our coordinator, Sarah Powers, and all those who helped set up, work, and judge.

**MLS TRACK MEET:** The date for this annual event is **Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**. The meet starts at 11:00 a.m. Those attending will be released about 10:00 a.m. and are responsible for their own transportation to and from the meet. Again, it is important that everyone train, especially those running longer distances. Go, Bobcats!

**PICNIC SIGN UP:** The annual Bethel Church Picnic is coming up fast! The date is **Sunday, June 3, 2018**. Your help is needed. Please note the signup sheets in the front school hall and offer to help as much as you can. Thanks!

**MEMORIAL DAY:** There will be no school on **Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**. Please remember to show your respects to our veterans each and every day, but especially on this day. There are many special Memorial Day services in our community from which you can choose to attend.

**RECORDS DAY:** There will be a half day of school on **Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**. **Students will be dismissed at noon**. Your faculty will use the afternoon to prepare report cards and other permanent records.

**LAST DAY:** The last day of school for this school year will be on **Friday, June 1, 2018**. Students will have class until 11:00 a.m. At 11:00 a.m. there will be a special school closing service held in the church. The congregation is invited. After the service concludes, about 11:30 a.m. we will have our awards presentation until about 12:00 noon. Students will be dismissed at 12:00 noon.

**CLOSING SERVICE:** BLS will have is closing service on **Friday, June 1, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.** All members of the congregation are invited to attend.

**AWARDS ASSEMBLY:** Students in grades K-8 will receive awards for participation in sports and other extracurricular activities on **Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**, following the BLS closing service. Things should get started at about 11:30 a.m. The congregation is invited.

**REPORT CARDS:** Report cards for the fourth and final quarter of the school year will be handed out on the last day of school, **Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**. Nothing needs to be returned.

**MICHIGAN ADVENTURE:** Students in grades 6-8 will take a class trip to Michigan Adventure in the Muskegon area on **Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**. We will leave at 6:00 a.m. sharp. Please make sure you are on time. Thanks to those that have volunteered to drive!

**GRADUATION:** A graduation announcement was placed in your church mail box. Use it to pass along to me any information about a graduate in your family. All of Bethel's graduates will be recognized in our graduation church service on **Sunday, June 3, 2018**. The deadline for submission is **Tuesday, May 29, 2018**. Thanks!

**HOT LUNCH:** Thanks to those who served hot lunch this past week! Our last hot lunch for the year which will be **Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, will be a Hungry Howies hot lunch. As a special treat, there will be no cost to our students. We received coupons for free pizza as a result of having a pizza fundraiser and if those coupons don't cover the cost the rest will be taken from the hot lunch program. We will still ask students to sign up for and receive tickets in the morning so that we know how much to order. Our workers are scheduled to be **Dahn, Dean, and Figley**. Thanks to all those who worked during the year so that our students could have a weekly hot lunch. A special thanks to Michelle Neveau and Amanda Herrera for heading up this program this past year!

#### **CLASSROOM NEWS:**

**Preschool:** It is hard to believe that this week the preschoolers will say farewell to class for the summer. There will be a special farewell and closing devotion for each of the classes on their last day of school this week beginning at 11 a.m. in the church. Thank you to all the parents for sharing your preschool child with me this past year. It has been a joy to be part of your child's first school experience and to watch them grow, learn new things, and become more independent. Thank you also to Mrs. Kay Meyer, Mrs. Karol Seifferly, Mrs. Charlene Zessin, Mrs. Shannon Fuhrman, and Mrs. Alice Danell for their faithful service assisting in the preschool classroom. Have a blessed summer break.

**Kindergarten:** Our last full week of school is done. Yay! Summer is almost here! Please note that kindergarten will **not** have school on Friday, May 25 because of the BALL track meet or Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day. Enjoy your long weekend! Consequently, this newsletter will cover the final two weeks of school. For Word of God the children will learn about Daniel, Queen Esther, and Job. The children have finished their final Letter book. In it they

reviewed all of the letter sounds they have learned. They also made a picture album of all of the stories they read about the Super Kids. In math, they will be reviewing how to count by 2's, 5's and 10's and telling time to the hour and half hour. In science, we will be finishing up our unit on animals. Show and Tell for this week will be things that begin with the letter Y or Z.

#### **Memory Work for this week:**

Tuesday, May 22 – 12A Acts 5:29  
Wednesday, May 23 – none  
Thursday, May 24 – none  
Friday, May 25 – no school  
Monday, May 28 – no school  
Tuesday, May 29 – 12B Matthew 28:20  
Wednesday, May 30 – 13A Psalm 31:15  
Thursday, May 31 – none  
Friday, June 1 - none

**Grades 1-2:** Our last spelling test will be on Thursday. Second grade will finish up chapter 14 in math and test on Tuesday. First grade will finish the year by learning 2 digit by 2 digit addition. Second grade will finish the year with an introduction to multiplication and division. Don't forget our field trip on Wednesday. Please wear your State Park shirt, if possible. We will leave the school at 9 am. Please send a sack lunch. Please be at Garber by 9 am for the BALL track meet on Friday. We will be singing in church for the graduation service on June 3. Please meet in Mr. Dast's room at 9:45. Please look for additional information about what we are learning, especially spelling words and Memory Treasures in your child's Homework Guide.

**Grades 3-5:** May is flying by as we approach the end of the school year! This week will be a busy week in the 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade room. Tomorrow (Tuesday) is our trip to the Henry Ford Museum. We are planning to **leave school at 7:30 and return to school between 3:30 and 4:00** depending on traffic. Please have your child pack a sack lunch to be eaten at the museum. The 4-5<sup>th</sup> graders will have a test over *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* this week and we will spend most of the week preparing for that test. On Wednesday, the song *Closing Prayer* is due. On Thursday, spelling unit 34 is due and we will take our word test. Please note this week that we will have memory work on Thursday instead of Friday because of the track meet. The BALL track meet is Friday at Garber High School. Blessings on your week!

**Grades 6-8:** Things are beginning to wind down. This week will be the last full academic week. It is very important that students stay on track and do their best this week. We will finish at least one subject this week, science; most of the others will end the following week. The pace in spelling will pick up slightly since there are only two full academic days during the last week. There are a few students who are behind at this point; I hope things get resolved quickly. All book reports are in. I will be sending home a final letter about our class

trip later this week. Thanks to all those that have volunteered to drive. I am hopeful that we have good weather and everyone has a great time.

**SINGING SCHEDULE:**

6/3      Grades 1-7      Graduation

**BIRTHDAYS:** Happy Birthday to:

Mrs. Jodi Virant                              5/23

**COMING UP:**

- 5/23    - 4 Year Old Preschool Farewell
- 5/24    - 3 Year Old Preschool Farewell
- 5/25    - BALL Track Meet @ Garber
- 5/28    - Memorial Day – No School
- 5/29    - 6-8 Class Trip @ 6:00 a.m.
- 5/30    - MLS Track Meet
- 5/31    - Records Day – Dismiss at Noon
- 6/1     - Last Day – Dismiss @ Noon/Report Cards  
            Awards Assembly @ 11:30
- 6/3     - Graduation/Church Picnic

**MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY:**

**GRADUATION ACTIVITIES:** MLS invites you to celebrate the graduation of the Class of 2018. The annual Commencement Concert will be held on May 25, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the MLS Gymnasium. The Graduation Service for the Class of 2018 will be May 26, 2018 at 10:30a.m., also in MLS Gymnasium.

**VOLUNTEER WORK DAY:** Your WELS high school, Michigan Lutheran Seminary, is planning its annual Volunteer Work Day and needs you to help make it a success! Please set aside Saturday, June 9, 9:00 am to Noon, and ready yourself to help with a variety of tasks, from landscaping to painting to general cleaning. Even if you can only stay for a short while, we would appreciate your help in accomplishing things that the MLS maintenance staff is hard-pressed to do on their own. Lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, feel free to call MLS at 989-793-1010.