



# BOBCAT BULLETIN

Edition #5 BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER October 8 & 15, 2018

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

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Members were also encouraged to recruit additional people to serve on this committee. Our early childhood ministry has been identified as one of Bethel's most effective outreach tools and our desire, if possible, is to strengthen and enhance it. More committee members are needed. I hope more of you recognize the importance of the work of this committee and consider attending the **October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting**.

**GIRLS' CLUB:** Girls Club (Grades K-5) will meet next **Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 3 until 4:15** at Bethel. If you are interested in joining, please complete the form and hand-in your \$20 (covers all year's activities) to Shannon Fuhrman. Thank you!

**BOY PIONEERS:** Please remember to turn in your sign up information and fees (\$20) for this group. The boys will be having their first event on **Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 PM**. The boys will meet at 539 N. Burns Rd.

**HOT LUNCH:** Our hot lunch schedule will begin on **Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**. The first Wednesday is a Hungry Howies pizza hot lunch. Tickets will be sold on that morning. Our workers are scheduled to be **Hartley, Herrera, and Houck**.

**REGISTRATION DAY BILLS: Is your Registration Day bill paid in full?** It has been almost two months since Registration Day. There has been very little activity on open accounts. If you have an open account you are expected to make monthly payments until your account is paid in full. Make sure that you are working on paying your account before **January 1, 2019** so that you avoid interest payments which will start then. Please stop in and discuss your open account and your payment intentions if you have not already done so.

**BROOKDALE TRICK OR TREAT:** Please see the attached flyer from Brookdale for another option for you and your children.

**CAMP TIMBERS:** Mr. Thooft is in need of a driver or vehicle that can accommodate the students that are going to Camp Timbers. There are 5 students going along with Mr. Thooft. Please speak with Mr. Thooft as soon as possible if you are willing and/or able to help.

**DUE TO THE SHORT WEEK THIS WEEK, THIS NEWSLETTER WILL COVER A TWO WEEK PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup> TO OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>. THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED ON OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday school is held every Sunday starting at 9:00 AM.

**CHAPEL:** During the first quarter of the school year our chapel offerings will be given to our local chapter of Lutherans for Life. This group works to prevent abortions in our community. Our offering for this week was **\$32.53**. Our total for the quarter is **\$104.65**. Please remind your child of the importance of giving to the work of the Lord!

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MEETING:** The first meeting to look into the possible expansion of our early childhood ministry was held on **Thursday, September 13, at 6:30**. Preliminary ground work was laid. Mark Fuhrman volunteered to be the chairman. Those in attendance were asked to go home and think about our current early childhood ministry, should it be expanded and how, research the needs of our members, and our community, and prepare for a roundtable at our next meeting. If possible additions to our early childhood ministry are identified; a recommendation(s) will be developed and passed on to Bethel's Board of Education for its consideration.

**BIRTHDAYS:** There are none to report for the next two weeks.

**PICTURES:** Class pictures will be taken this **Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**. Packets are being sent home today, Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. You may order yearbooks at the same time. You may pay in a variety of convenient ways. Please read all the materials carefully and contact Photo Factory directly for answers to your questions.

**FACULTY IN SERVICE:** There will be a half day of school on **Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**. Your teachers will have meetings in the afternoon. Please be on time to pick your child up at 12:00 noon.

**STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE:** Your faculty will attend the Michigan District Teachers' Conference on **October 10,11, and 12** in Stevensville, Michigan. BLS will not be in session these days. Enjoy the time off with your student.

**GIRLS' BASKETBALL:** There still remains the potential for a game to be added on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Practices:**

**10/08 from 3-5**

**10/15 from 3-5**

**10/18 from 3-5**

**10/22 from 3-5**

**Games:** (Game time 5:30 PM unless otherwise noted)

**10/23 vs. St. John's BC @ Home**

**10/26 vs. St. Luke's @ Immanuel Frankentrost**

10/30 vs. St. Barts/GS @ St. John's BC

11/6 vs. Trinity @ Home

11/13 vs. Emanuel Tawas @ Home

11/19 Potential Cross over game

**11/16-17 BALL TOUREY @ CENT. ELEM. In VASSAR**

11/27 vs. GS Bur. @ Gloria Dei, Grd Blanc @ 4:30 PM

**11/30 vs. St. John's Sag./Hem. @ Home**

**12/7-8 MLS SMALL SCHOOL TOURNAMENT**

**12/14-15 MLS LARGE SCHOOL TOURNAMENT**

### **CLASSROOM NEWS:**

**Preschool:** This week the children will conclude their theme *Be Safe*. They will focus on fire safety and learn about firefighters and their equipment. The letter E, the number 5, and the color black will also be introduced. The Bible lesson for the 4 year old class is *Baby Moses*. The children will learn God saved baby Moses from being killed. The memory treasure is 1 Peter 5:7b: *He cares for you*. The Bible lesson for the 3 year old class is *God Answers Abraham's Prayer for a Son*. They will learn God gave Abraham a son named Isaac. Matthew 7:7: *Ask and it will be given to you* is the memory treasure. Book orders are due **Tuesday, October 9**. You can order online using the code J6CQC or bring in the paper form with check payable to *Scholastic Reading Club*. Wishing all of you an enjoyable break.

**Kindergarten:** We have a very short week this week, so I am planning on finishing a bunch of units and chapters before our mini break. This newsletter will also cover the week we come back from our mini break. In Word of God the children will be learning about how Jesus healed the Captain's son and how he taught Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman he was the promised Messiah. The children will finish their Letter book G and begin Letter book A when we come back from break. We have learned the 3 primary colors so far and will be reviewing them this week. We have also been looking at books and learning what an author and illustrator do. We will finish our chapter in math on number order and less and more. We will then begin a chapter on numbers 6-10. In science we will be looking at volcanos and different land formations. For the week of October 15, our color will be orange, our sight word will be "and" and Show-n-Tell will be things that begin with the letter /a/ (like in ant) or are the color orange. Enjoy your mini vacation!

### **Memory Work:**

Tuesday, October 9 – 6B Proverbs 3:5

Monday, October 15 – None

Tuesday, October 16 – 7A John 3:16

Wednesday, October 17 – None

Thursday, October 18 – None

Friday, October 19 – 7B Mark 16:15

**Grades 1-2:** If you haven't returned field trip slips for our upcoming trip to Johnson's Pumpkin Farm next week, please return ASAP. Due to the short week, homework binders will not be coming home this week. We will not be having any new memory work this week. Both first and second will take spelling tests this week on Tuesday. First grade word list: **fish, rush, brush, wish, I, my, she, her, he, his**. Second grade: **handle, middle, ring, strong, want, some, look, very, come, new, any, good**. Look for binders to come home again next week after teachers' conference. New spelling words and memory treasures will be on your child's homework guide next week.

**Grades 3-5:** It was a good week in the 3-5th grade room last week. We finished up our first round of MAP testing and I hope the students enjoyed "Cardinal for a Day" at MLS last Friday. We have a short week this week and because of that we will have no new spelling unit, spelling test or memory work. **Hymn #242 O That I had a Thousand Voices is due on Tuesday**. 5th grade will have a math test over chapter 2 on Tuesday. There is picture day this week, please make sure that your child brings home the picture day form and returns the form on Tuesday if you are ordering pictures.

This newsletter is covering the next two weeks, please note that the week of 10/15-10/19 the students in grades 3-4 will have hymn #200 due on Wednesday. On Thursday, for grades 3-4 spelling unit 5 will be due and they will take the word test. On Friday, grades 3-4 will have memory work due. On October 17th-19th the

5th graders and I will be heading to Camp Timbers. Please make sure that your child is properly packed and prepared for the trip. I am in need of a driver or vehicle big enough to accommodate the students and their gear (please see separate note in the newsletter). Blessings on your next couple of weeks!

**Grades 6-8:** This will be a nice short week before a three day break. I think my kids will enjoy it. It has been a very busy few weeks with all that is going on. MAP testing is now done and we can get back into a routine once we get back from Teachers' Conference. I tried to create a homework free vacation, but please check on Engrade and see if your child worked in advance as I asked. One thing that does need attention over the vacation is your child's book report. A first quarter book report is due on **Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**. The upcoming vacation would be a good time to get this done. Soccer season is over. Thanks to all those in my room that participated. Girls' basketball has started up. I hope that our girls have a great season!

**CHOIR SCHEDULE:**

(Cantate = Grades. 4-8; Cherub = Grades 1-3)

**10/21 Cherub Choir**

10/28 Pre & K

11/11 Cherub Choir

11/18 Cantate Choir

11/21 Grades 1-8 Thanksgiving

**GIRLS' CLUB:** Please note the following meeting dates of the Girls' Club. All gatherings are at Bethel from 3:00 to 4:15 PM

**Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**

Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

**BOYS' CLUB:**

**Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM**

**COMING UP:**

**10/9 School Class Pictures**

**Boy Pioneers @ 6:00 @ 539 N. Burns Rd.**

**10/10-12 State Teachers' Conference – No School**

**10/15 Girls' Club @ Bethel @ 3:00**

**10/16 Grades 1-2 Field Trip**

**10/17 Hot Lunch Begins**

**10/17-19 Camp Timbers**

**10/19 Faculty in Service – ½ Day**

10/25 Early Childhood Meeting @ 6:30 pm

10/28 Congregational Meeting @ 11:00 AM

10/31 School Costume Day in PM

11/2 BLS End of Quarter 1

Principals' Conference

11/4 Daylight Saving Time Ends

11/6 Voting Day

11/7 Grandparents' Day

BLS Report Cards Sent Home

11/12 Faculty In Service in AM – Parent

Consultations in PM - No School

11/19 Girls' Club @ Bethel @ 3:00 PM

11/21 Thanksgiving Eve Church Service @ 6:30

11/21-23 – BLS Thanksgiving Vacation – No School

**MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY:**

The MLS Drama group, Court Street Players, is proudly presenting Disney's "**Beauty and the Beast**" on Thursday, November 15, and Saturday, November 17, at 7:00 PM. There will also be a 2:30 matinee on Sunday, November 18. The cast is busy learning and memorizing songs, lines and choreography. The crews are building and painting sets to make the world of Belle and the Beast come to life. Every production is unique and full of surprises as you enter the world of princes and enchantresses. Plan ahead to attend the MLS production of "Beauty and the Beast" this November! Tickets will go on sale October 15 at 10:00 a.m. Visit [www.mlsem.org/fall-play](http://www.mlsem.org/fall-play)