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Edition #10 BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER November 26, 2018

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

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SUNDAY SCHOOL: Make sure you plan to have your child in attendance each Sunday at 9:00 AM. After dropping off your child how about attending Bible Class in the multipurpose room at the same time?

CONGREGATIONAL CAROLING: Bethel will have its annual shut in Christmas caroling on **Sunday, December 2nd**, starting at 5:00 PM. The whole congregation is invited! Please be at school by 4:45 to divide into groups and receive instructions. There will be a short fellowship after; please bring a dozen of your favorite cookies. Hot chocolate will be provided.

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS: Bethel will have a "Christmas For Kids" program this year on **Saturday, December 1st**, in the morning. Thanks to Mrs. Figley and her volunteers for their efforts. Please contact Mrs. Figley if you can help or for more information. Please also see the attached flyer.

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS DONATIONS: Donations are needed for this year's Christmas for Kids. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the front hall. You may also call Elizabeth Figley 989-225-5150 for more information about what is needed or to donate.

CHAPEL: During the second quarter of the school year BLS will support Michigan Lutheran Seminary. Our

offering for this week was \$37.16. Our total for the quarter was \$63.66.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MEETING: The next meeting of the Early Childhood Committee is this coming **Thursday, November 29th** at 6:30 PM. If you would like to participate in this committee please plan to attend.

GIRLS' MLS BB TOURNAMENT: Our girls' basketball team will play in the Michigan Lutheran Seminary small schools tournament on **December 7th and 8th**. Our first game will be Friday at 9:30 AM against Owosso. See the attached schedule for more information.

NO SCHOOL: There will be **NO SCHOOL OR PRESCHOOL** on **Friday, December 7th**. Our girls will be playing in the MLS tournament at 9:30 am. Please plan to attend the tournament and support our team. Go, Bobcats!

CHRISTMAS EXCHANGE NAMES: Your child's teacher has facilitated the exchange of student names for Christmas gifts to be given when individual classrooms have their room Christmas parties on **December 21st**. Please ask your child for his/her exchange name and assist in purchasing a gift. It is suggested that you spend from \$5.00 to \$10.00.

CEA SPONSORED COFFEE HOUR: The CEA will be sponsoring the coffee hour on **Sunday, December 9th**. Surplus proceeds will flow into the CEA treasury. Thanks to Jamiee Crites for heading things up.

HOT LUNCH WORKERS: We are trying to adjust and we need help. We want to keep the costs down and eliminate waste. When you work a hot lunch, give Amanda, Aubrey, or me feedback. Was too much food purchased? Were there any other notable items? As the year goes on we want to work to get quantities right, we want you to have the supplies you need, and make your job as easy as possible. **Also, we cannot keep left overs at school. Workers are free to take home left over food, or it will have to be thrown out.**

SPIRIT HOCKEY FELLOWSHIP: Thanks to Jaime Krohn for organizing a fellowship activity for our church and school. Please see the attached flyer for a fun activity coming up on **December 15th**.

HOT LUNCH: Thanks to those who served hot lunch on **Wednesday, November 14th!** The menu for this coming Wednesday will include chicken nuggets, tater tots, carrot sticks, celery with peanut butter, and cupcakes. Our workers for Wednesday are scheduled to be **Wilson, Zube, and Beutel.**

GIRLS' BASKETBALL:

Practices:

11/26 3 to 5

11/29 3 to 5

12/4 3 to 5

12/6 3 to 5

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

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

BOYS' BASKETBALL: The boys' basketball season is coming up fast. I still don't have a complete schedule of games, but I can pass along a little information. Mr. Thooft will be coaching our "A" team this year, and Steve Powers will be coaching the "B" team. Thanks to these two men for volunteering. All practices will be from 3:00 to 5:00 unless otherwise noted. Both teams will practice on the same dates and times.

Practices:

12/10

12/13

12/17

12/20

Games: Game time is 5:30 unless otherwise noted.

1/8 vs. St. B/GS/St. John's @ Trinity

1/11 vs. St. Luke's @ Bethel - A Only

1/19 B Tournament @ Trinity

1/22 vs. Trinity @ Bethel

1/25 vs. Tawas @ Tawas

1/29 vs/ St. John's BC @ St. John's

2/1-2 MLS Small School Tournament

2/5 vs. St. B./GS/St. John's @ Bethel

2/8-9 MLS Large School Tournament

2/12 vs. Trinity @ Trinity

2/15-16 BALL Tournament @ Tawas

BIRTHDAYS: Happy birthday to:

Justin Krohn

11/29

Gr. 1

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Preschool: Welcome back, I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving break. This week the Bible lesson is God's Special Message for Mary. The children will learn that God sent his angel to tell Mary that she would be the mother of the promised Savior. The memory treasures are: Psalm 56:11 *In God I trust.* And Luke 1:31 *Give him the name Jesus.* The children will also be finishing the theme *Getting Together.* They will continue to talk about Thanksgiving, learning about the first Thanksgiving, some of the staple foods for the Pilgrims: i.e. corn and

bread, and also the upcoming holidays. They will review the letters G, H, I numbers 7 and 8, the color brown and the rectangle. The December Scholastic Book order is coming home this week, for those planning on ordering the deadline is December 5. Books will arrive before Christmas break.

Kindergarten: This week in Word of God, the class will be learning how Jesus used his almighty power to heal people. The children will also be learning their parts for the Christmas Eve service. Please check your child's folder for the Christmas memory sheet. We will be learning each section in class, but please go over it with your child at home. The children will be starting a new Letter book unit. In it they will be meeting a new Super Kids character named Icky who likes insects. They will also be working on reading sentences. A new list of words will also be coming home this week. Please watch for it. This week's sight word is "am" and the color word is "pink". In math, the children will be finishing their chapter on addition and subtraction and moving on to learning about numbers 11-20. Book-It slips for November need to be turned in by Friday, Nov. 30. Show and Tell for this week is things that begin with the letter L or are pink. Please check with your child if they need glue sticks, a spiral notebook or a new box of crayons. Christmas gift exchange names should have come home before Thanksgiving. If you are not sure who your child has, please speak to me as soon as possible.

Memory Work:

Tuesday, November 27 - Christmas Memory #1

Wednesday, November 28 - Christmas Memory #2

Thursday, November 29 - Christmas Memory #3

Friday, November 30 - Christmas Memory #4

Monday, December 3 - Christmas Memory #5

Grades 1-2: I hope everyone had a blessed Thanksgiving! With Advent upon us we will begin working on our parts for the Christmas service. A copy of your child's parts will be sent home next week, so you can assist your child in practicing. November reading logs are due at the end of this week. Also please place any Scholastic Book orders by Wednesday. Use code Q4X4B to order online. Your child picked a classmate's name this past week and should have brought that home. Please let me know if you have any questions about our gift exchange. We will finish Lesson 3 in science this week and test next week Tuesday. Please check your child's homework binder for additional information about what we are learning, especially Memory Treasures and spelling words.

Grades 3-5: I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving break and snow day! We are getting back into the swing of things this week. On Wednesday, hymn #610 *Now Thank We All Our God* is due. On Thursday, spelling unit 10 is due and we will take out word test. On Friday, memory work is due. 5th grade will have a math test over chapter 4 this week.

Before Thanksgiving break permission slips were sent home for our next field trip to the Career Center on December 6th; ***please turn those permission slips in as soon as possible so preparations can be made for that day.*** Beginning this week we will be looking over our parts for the Christmas service and beginning to memorize them. Please help your child stay on top of their daily and weekly work. Blessings on your week! *The basketball practice on December 3rd has been moved to the 4th.*

Grades 6-8: I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! The next few weeks before Christmas will be incredibly busy and will just fly by. There is a basketball tournament, Christmas practices, school caroling, decorating, and I'm guessing the kids are hoping for a snow day or two, and of course a bit of school to boot. They are exciting weeks and it is awesome to see the Christmas spirit build week by week. I hope my students worked on their second quarter book report over the vacation. It is the only assignment they had other than Bible History. We will be starting new chapters in U. S History, science and math this week.

CHOIR SCHEDULE:

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

12/9 Cantate Choir

- 12/21 Pre-8 Children's Christmas Service
- 1/27 Pre-8 Sing – Lutheran Schools' Sunday
- 2/10 Cherub Choir
- 2/17 Cantate Choir

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

- Sunday, December 2nd Caroling**
- Monday, January 21st
- Monday, February 18th

BOY PIONEERS:

- Sunday, December 2nd Caroling**

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE PRACTICES:

- 12/5 1:00 PM**
- 12/10 10:30 AM
- 12/13 10:30 AM
- 12/18 10:30 AM
- 12/21 8:30 AM

COMING UP:

- 11/29 Early Childhood Com. Meeting–6:30 PM**
- 12/1 Christmas for Kids**
- 12/2 Congregational Caroling**
- 12/7-8 MLS Small School Girls' Tournament
- 12/9 CEA Coffee Hour – Crites
- 12/15 Bethel Fellowship Spirit Hockey Game @ 7:00
- 12/21 Last Day of school before Christmas Vacation
½ Day
Children's Christmas Service @ 6:30 PM
- 12/22-1/6 Christmas Vacation

- 1/7 Classes Resume after Christmas Vacation
- 1/11 Principals' Conference
- 1/13 CEA Business Meeting @ 11:00 AM
- 1/15 2019-2020 Preschool Enrollment Begins
- 1/18 BLS End 2nd Quarter
Faculty In Service – ½ Day
- 1/21-25 – Lutheran Schools Week
- 1/23 Report Cards Sent Home
- 1/27 Lutheran Schools' Sunday
Chili Cook Off
- 1/29 MAP Testing Window Begins
- 2/10 CEA Sponsored Coffee Hour – Powers
- 2/18-19 Preschool Parent Consultations
- 2/22 BLS Faculty In Service – ½ Day
- 2/25 Pastor/Teacher Conference – No school