



BOBCAT BULLETIN

Edition #19 BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER February 18, 2019

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very few people have paid their milk money for the month of February. Please send your money to school in the morning. Thanks!

CEA TRIVIA FUNDRAISING NIGHT: Our 1st Annual CEA Trivia Night is on **Saturday, March 2**. Parents, this is replacing our normal fundraiser for CEA that involves selling pizza kits, cookie dough, candy, etc. It is our hope that this becomes an annual event and we get enough support that we do not have to have any other fundraisers this year. If every Bethel family finds at least one team to compete in the Trivia Night it will be a great evening - the more teams, the more successful the event. Teams may register online on the Bethel school website. If trivia is not your thing, please consider helping in some other way that evening. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet in the hallway at school. Any questions regarding this event please contact Jenni Thunberg at thunbergj@bcschools.net.

SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE CLASS: Make sure you plan to have your child in attendance each Sunday at 9:00 AM. Sunday school is just about out of snacks and water. Donations would be appreciated! Adult Bible Class will be held in the MP room at the same time. **Please consider attending on a regular basis!**

CHAPEL: During the third quarter of the school year BLS will support our own Equip for Quality Special Fund. Our offering for this week was **\$26.00**. Our total for the quarter is **\$26.00**. There was no offering this past week since school was closed.

EDUCATIONAL VISION MEETING: The snow days have messed up a bunch of plans. This group still plans to have its second meeting in the near future. Please watch for the announcement of a new meeting date and time and plan to attend.

PINE CAR DERBY DEADLINE: The deadline to sign up for this event is this coming **Friday, February 22nd**. You **MUST** get your order form and money in by then. You can turn it in directly to Mrs. Powers or turn it in at the school office.

TRIVIA VOLUNTEER SIGN UP: Have you signed up to help out on Trivia Night? **We need teams! We need help! See attached flyer!**

MILK MONEY: It is nearly mid-February and I know part of the problem has been all the missed days, but

FACULTY IN SERVICE: The next scheduled faculty in-service is this coming **Friday, February 22, 2019**. Students will be dismissed at noon. Please be on time to pick up your child. Thanks!

PASTOR/TEACHER CONFERENCE: There will be no school on **Monday, February 25th**. Your staff will be attending a pastor/teacher conference in Flint.

MARCH OUTING FOR GIRLS' CLUB AND BOY PIONEERS: Save the Date, **Friday, March 22nd** at 6 p.m. Please join us at Monitor Lanes for a combined outing of bowling fun and fellowship. More details to come!

CEA SOUP SUPPER: The CEA will be hosting the first soup supper on **Ash Wednesday, March 6th**. Your help is needed. A sign up form has been posted on the school front hall bulletin board. Please volunteer to help and sign up to provide what is needed. Thanks to Amanda Herrera for heading up this event.

BOYS' BASKETBALL: The boys' basketball A team finished 0-2 in the BALL tournament this past weekend. The players put in a great effort in the tournament and all season. I thank them for their hard work and dedication at practice and in games. Thank you to the parents and families of the players for your Bobcat pride and support of the team. Thank you to everyone who helped make this a fun season! Go Bobcats! --- Coach Thooft.

BASKETBALL PICTURES: Basketball team pictures will be taken on Friday, March 1st in the afternoon. All uniforms are to be returned at that time. Make sure that you have washed and repaired your child's uniform before picture day. Informational packets will be sent home before the picture session.

PRINCIPALS' CONFERENCE: I will be attending a principals' conference on Friday, March 1st. This conference is in Tawas. I will be gone for most of the day. Thanks to Mrs. Drayer for being my sub.

KINDERGARTEN VISITATION DAYS: It's time to starting looking to our 2019-2020 Kindergarten class. Mrs. Mayhew will be having Kindergarten Visitation Days on March 4 and 6, 2019. Please contact Mrs. Mayhew or me if you are interested or know someone who is interested so that more details can be provided. Thanks!

HOT LUNCH: Another snow day and another skipped scheduled menu and workers. Again we will move on to the next entry on our hot lunch schedule. Our menu for this coming Wednesday will include sloppy joes, potato chips, bananas, and ice cream. Our workers are scheduled to be **Fuhrman, Hartley, and Herrera**.

PRESCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT 2019-2020: Bethel Lutheran Preschool has begun accepting enrollments for the 2019-2020 school year on Tuesday, January 15, 2019. Please help us get the word out. If you know of a prospect, please contact either Mrs. Virant or myself.

BIRTHDAYS: Happy birthday to:
Carly Krohn 2/24 Gr. 8
Ivan VanGuilder 2/26 Pre.

VOLLEYBALL: Our season begins in about a month.

Practices:

Wed. 2/20 3:00 to 5:00
Thur. 2/21 3:00 to 5:00
Wed. 2/27 3:00 to 5:00
Thur. 2/28 3:00 to 5:00

Matches:

Fri. 3/8 vs. Trinity I @ Trinity @ 5:30
vs. St. John's BC II @ Trinity @ 6:30
Sat. 3/9 BALL TOURNAMENT
Tue. 3/12 vs. St. Luke's @ Immanuel
Frankentrost @ 5:30
vs. Trinity II @ Immanuel Frankentrost
@ 7:30
Fri. 3/15 vs. Tawas @ Tawas @ 5:30
vs. St. John's BC I @ Tawas @ 6:30
Fri. 3/29 vs. GS/SJS @ Bethel @ 5:30
vs. St. Barts @ Bethel @ 7:30

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Preschool: We are approaching the end of February. How fast the month has gone. Monday and Tuesday, February 18-19 will be parent-teacher conferences. A schedule of the conference times came home with your child last week. The 4 year olds will study the Bible lesson *Jesus Blesses Children*. They will learn Jesus held children and blessed them. The memory treasure is 1 John 4:19: *We love because he first loved us*. The 3 year olds will study *The Good Samaritan Helps a Hurt Man* and *Jesus Teaches Mary and Martha*. They will learn Jesus taught people to love and help others and Jesus says that hearing his Word is most important. The memory treasures are Galatians 5:13: *Serve one another in love* and Luke 1:28: *Hear the word of God*. The children will begin a new theme *I am Healthy*. They will be learning what it means to be healthy, the importance of caring for their teeth and eyes, and also the important job the heart has. The number is 14 and the letter is R. Thank you to Mr. Austin, Mrs. Potter, and Mr. VanDenBoom for helping with the valentine parties last week. We also are welcoming a new student to the 4 year old class, Scarlett Shorkey and her family.

2019-2020 enrollment update:

15 openings 4 year old class
13 opening 3 year old class

Please note the upcoming dates:

February 18-19 Parent-Teacher Consultations
March 4 and 6 Kindergarten Visitation
March 24 PreK - K sing in church
March 29 Vision and Hearing Screening
for 2019-2020 Kindergarten
students

Kindergarten: This week in Word of God, we will be learning about Zacchaeus and how Mary showed her love for Jesus. The children will be working on Letter book H. They will be reviewing some of the sight words that they have learned. They will also be working on identifying the middle vowel sounds in words. The sight word for the week is the word *he*. In math, they will continue to work on sorting things by color, shape, and size and graphing them. Show and Tell for next week will be things that begin with the letter H. Next Monday (Feb 25) there will be no school because the teachers will be attending a conference on that day.

Memory Work:

Tuesday, February 19 – 10B 1 Timothy 1:15
Wednesday, February 20 - none
Thursday, February 21 – none
Friday, February 22 – 11A John 4:19
Monday, February 25 - none

Grades 1-2: Thanks for your patience with adjusting to our missed school days because of the weather. We will be taking our spelling test from last week on Tuesday this week. We will try to get back on track and

take our next spelling test this Friday. We will also be finishing up our unit in social studies and take the test on Wednesday. Please look for the review sheet in your child's binder as well as important terms on the Homework Guide. Looking ahead we will be celebrating the 100th Day of School sometime at the beginning of March. This year to celebrate please have your child create or decorate something to wear (a t-shirt, hat, or necklace) that has 100 things on it. We will also be celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday and Read Across America Day at the beginning of March. Look for more information to come home about that and our March Reading Challenge soon. Please also check your child's binder for new Memory Treasures for this week.

Grades 3-5: February continues to fly by! I am looking forward to a full week of school this week. On Wednesday, hymn #234 *Praise to the Lord the Almighty* will be due. On Thursday, spelling unit 17 is due and we will have our word test. On Friday, memory work is due. Fourth grade will have a math test over chapter 8 on Friday. Third and fourth grade will continue their "Personal Narrative" unit in language arts and fifth grade will begin studying adjectives. In science, all three grades will be continuing their study of matter. The deadline to enter the MLS Fine Arts Fair is today (02/18). Make sure if your child is interested in participating to sign up online. For those students in volleyball, practices start this week. Please help your child stay on top of their daily and weekly work. Blessings on your week!

Grades 6-8: I am hoping there will be no interruptions this week. We are making up a lot of lost time in my room but still have some ground to make up. The month of February is winding down already. Can you believe it? We are beginning a new chapter in math for all grades and finishing chapters in science and social studies. Today was the final sign up day for the MLS Fine Arts Fair. I have six students that will be participating. The Fine Arts Fair is on Saturday, March 2, 2019. My boys finished up their basketball season this week with a tournament this weekend. This week marks the beginning of volleyball season with practice starting on Wednesday. Volleyball is a short season with games only during the month of March. Parents - please keep a close eye on **Engrade** and make sure your child is doing his/her best as we make up lost ground for snow days. Your child also has his/her third quarter book report due in a few weeks. Check in and see how the reading is going.

CHOIR SCHEDULE:

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

3/6 Cantate Choir – Ash Wednesday

3/13 Cherub Choir Sings

4/14 Cherub & Cantate Sing

4/19 Cherub & Cantate Sing

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, February 18th

Monday, March 18th

Monday, April 15th

COMING UP:

2/18-19 Preschool Parent Consultations

Girls' Club

2/22 BLS Faculty In Service – ½ Day

2/25 Pastor/Teacher Conference – No school

3/1 BLS Team Pictures & Principals' Conference

3/2 CEA Trivia Night

MLS Fine Arts Fair

3/4&6 Kindergarten Visitation Day

3/6 Ash Wednesday CEA Sponsored Soup Supper - Herrera

3/8 Ball League Meeting

3/22 BLS End of 3rd Quarter

Faculty in Service ½ Day

Girls' Club/Boy Pioneers - Bowling

3/27 BLS Report Cards Out

3/31-4/5 BLS Spring Break – No School

4/12 Principals' Conference

MLS Lock In

4/13 Pine Car Derby

4/19 Good Friday Special Pizza Hot Lunch

School dismisses after Church Service

4/22 Easter Monday – No School

4/24 Eighth Grade Career Day at BAISD

4/29 Spring MAP Testing Window Opens

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY:

MLS BOOSTER CLUB VOLLEYBALL - SAVE THE DATE:

MLS will once again be hosting the Booster Club Adult Volleyball Tournament on campus. Cost is \$65.00 per team. Look for more information in the coming months. The dates for the tournament are:

Coed Tournament: Sat., Feb 23, 2019 - 9:00 am

Men's/Women's: Sunday, Feb 24, 2019 - 1:00 pm

MLS SCIENCE & FINE ARTS FAIR:

Michigan Lutheran Seminary is pleased to announce that it will once again be hosting the Science and Fine Arts Fair. It takes place on **Saturday, March 2** at MLS. For more information about the day and to sign up please visit www.mlsem.org/SFAF. The deadline to sign up is **February 18, 2019.**

MLS BOOSTER CLUB 3 on 3:

The MLS Booster Club will be hosting its annual 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament on March 30, 2019 at the MLS gymnasium. Age divisions include 5-8 grade boys and girls. Entry fees are \$75 per team. There is an early bird price of \$65 if you register before **March 3, 2019.** Registration deadline is **March 24, 2019** at midnight. To register, visit www.mlsem.org/3on3