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Edition #20 BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER February 26, 2019

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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 **\$59.51**. Our total for the quarter is **\$85.51**.

ASH WEDNESDAY: Lent will officially begin with our annual Ash Wednesday 6:30 church service on **Wednesday, March 6th**. Please plan to attend with your entire family. There will be a soup supper starting at 5:00 sponsored by the CEA. See an additional announcement about this later in this newsletter. The Cantate Choir will sing for the service.

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.

TRIVIA VOLUNTEER SIGN UP: Have you signed up to help out on Trivia Night? It is this coming Saturday, there still is time. **We need teams! We need help! Only one week to go and there are still only 7 teams! We need about 15! See attached flyer!**

CEA TRIVIA FUNDRAISING NIGHT: Our 1st Annual CEA Trivia Night is this **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.

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!**

MLS FINE ARTS FAIR: The MLS Fine Arts Fair is this coming **Saturday, March 2, 2019**. A number of Bethel students have entered. I hope all of them do well. You can check out the MLS website for all the information you need if you are interested in attending. I will print Bethel results in this newsletter as soon as I receive them from MLS.

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.

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.** A sample informational flyer is attached.

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.

BIRTHDAYS: Happy birthday to:
Lucas Killinger 2/28 Gr. 1

BETHEL GOOGLE CALENDAR: The best way to know what is going on and when is to hook up with our congregational Google calendar. You can find a link on our website or contact Mrs. McGehee or Mr. Thooff for help.

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!

BALL LEAGUE MEETING: I will be out of town attending a Bay Area Lutheran League meeting on **Friday, March 8, 2019**. Thanks to Mrs. Drayer for serving as my sub.

HOT LUNCH: Thanks to those who served hot lunch this past Wednesday, everything was great! Our menu for this coming Wednesday will include hot dogs, corn, apple slices, and cookies. Our workers are scheduled to be **Houck, Killinger, and Krohn**.

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.

VOLLEYBALL:

Practices:

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: Thank you to all of the parents who came for parent-teacher conferences. It is a joy to share all of the progress your child is making in preschool here at Bethel. This week the four year old class will study the Bible lesson *Jesus, the Good Shepherd*. They will learn Jesus cares for us just as a good shepherd cares for his sheep. The memory treasure is: 1 Peter 5:7b: *He cares for you*. The three year olds will study the lesson *Jesus Changes Zacchaeus' Life*. They will learn Jesus forgave Zacchaeus' sins. The memory

treasure is: 1 Timothy 1:15: *Jesus came...to save sinners*. The classes will conclude the theme *I am Healthy*. They will learn what doctors do, how to stay healthy, and also about germs and how to prevent the spreading of germs. The children will review the numbers 13, 14; the letters P, Q, R; the color pink, and the heart shape.

2019-2020 enrollment update:

15 openings in the 4 year old class

14 openings in the 3 year old class

Please note the upcoming dates

March 1 - March Tuition Due

March 4 - Kindergarten Visitation

March 6 - Kindergarten Visitation

March 24 - Preschool and Kindergarten sing in church

March 29 - Vision and Hearing Screening for 2019-2020 Kindergarten students

Kindergarten: In Word of God we will be learning about Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The children will be working on Letter book U. They will be reviewing some of the sight words that they have learned along with all of the Superkids that they have met. They will also be working on identifying the middle vowel sounds in words. The sight word for this week is the word *of*. In math, we will continue to work on our chapter on 2-dimensional shapes. Show and Tell for this week will be things that begin with the letter U. Just a heads up, the first week in March will be a very busy week. We will be having 2 groups of preschoolers visiting us that week. We will also be celebrating the 100th day of school – FINALLY! It is also the beginning of the Lenten season so please be sure to take the opportunity on Wednesday evenings to meditate on the Lord's Passion.

Memory Work:

Tuesday, February 26 – none

Wednesday, February 27 – 11B Psalm 103:1

Thursday, February 28 – none

Friday, March 1 – 12A 1 Corinthians 10:31

Monday, March 4 – 12B James 1:17

Grades 1-2: It was great to have a full week of school this week and get back to a more normal routine. We will be taking math tests this week. First grade will take their test on numbers to 100 on Wednesday. Second grade will be testing on time and temperature on Thursday. Looking ahead we should be celebrating the 100th Day of School on March 7th. 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. This Friday we will kick off our March Reading Challenge as we celebrate Read Across America Day and Dr. Seuss' birthday. On Friday, bring your favorite books, a blanket, pillow or stuffed animal. We will spend part of our afternoon curled up reading! Look for more information about our March Reading Challenge to come home with your child this week. Please also check your child's binder for new spelling words and Memory Treasures for this week.

Grades 3-5: I hope everyone enjoyed their long weekend. We are ready to get back at it in our classroom. This week hymn #446 *I Am Trusting You Lord Jesus* will be due on Wednesday and a new hymn will be assigned. On Thursday, spelling unit 19 will be due and we will take our word test. On Friday, memory work will be due. Fourth grade will have a test in math over chapter 8 on Tuesday. Both third and fifth grade will be reviewing their math chapter by the end of the week. In language arts third and fourth grade will continue their work on their "personal narrative" writing unit and fifth grade will have a test on adjectives on Friday. Wednesday through Friday this week the students will be taking their MAP tests in the morning. On Friday afternoon sports pictures will be taken. Please make sure that if your child was involved in a sport that they bring their clean jersey for pictures. Blessings on your week!

- 3/15 Flag Presentation to grades 6-8 – Jody Nitz
- 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

Grades 6-8: I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend. Things are getting back to normal in my room. We have made up a lot of ground caused by the snow days. Grades 6-8 will be taking MAP tests this week. This is the second round of testing this year. There will be one more round of testing in the spring. I will be out of town this Friday for a principals' conference. Thanks to Mrs. Drayer for subbing. Thanks to Heidi Dahn, Carly Krohn, Alivia Kukla, Hayden Powers, Breyden Richard, Isaiah Killinger, and Hunter Seifferly for participating in the MLS Fine Arts Fair this Saturday. I sent a schedule of events home today with each participant. I hope all of them do well. Many of my students will be playing volleyball and are anxious to get going. Thanks to these students for representing our school and Go, Bobcats!

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, March 22nd**
- Monday, April 15th

BOY PIONEERS:

- Monday, March 22nd**

COMING UP:

- 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