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SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school is held each Sunday at 9:00 AM. We hope to see all our students attend. After dropping off their student for Sunday school, parents are encouraged to stay and attend Bible Class in the Multipurpose Room. See you next Sunday!

CHAPEL: Our mission offerings for the first quarter will be used for our Synod's outreach to the Hmong people. This past Wednesday we collected **\$27.35** for a quarter total of **\$27.35**. Please remind your child of the importance of giving to the work of the Lord!

BETHEL CLOTHING ORDER: It's time to get your Bethel apparel! The clothing order will be done online through Sandlot Sports and has a variety of items including youth and adult sizes. The online store will **open on Monday, September 9th and close Monday, September 16th at midnight**. Orders will be ready for pick up in the school office around the first week in October. To place your order, visit <https://bethel19.itemorder.com> or click on the link on our Facebook page. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Thooft.

REGISTRATION DAY FORMS: Many of you still have forms that were taken home on Registration Day that need to be returned. Specific information about these forms was provided in a short first week information

note sent home on the first day of school. Please send these forms in tomorrow.

CEA BACK TO SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL: On **Sunday, September 29th**, the CEA will host a Back to School Ice Cream Social. It will begin at 3:00 PM. There are two sign-up sheets posted on the bulletin board. The first is to RSVP to this event and the second is to sign up for donating items. We hope to see all of our school families for some fellowship and FUN!

PESTICIDES: Our congregation has a contract with a local vendor to provide pest management. We have an integrated pest management plan with them. From time to time pesticides are used inside and outside of our facility. We make every effort to apply these pesticides at times when students are not around and at times when our building will not be used for a few days such as on a Friday after school. In so doing your child is not exposed. Should the need arise to apply pesticides, you will be properly informed.

REGISTRATION DAY BILLS: If you have not paid your book fees in full, you are reminded that monthly payments are expected until your account is paid in full. You will be sent monthly reminders of the status of your account. To avoid interest fees, please arrange to have your account paid in full by **January 1, 2020**. Interest at a rate of 1% per month will begin at that time. All accounts are to be paid by **May 1, 2020**. If there are special circumstances that might impact your payments, please discuss that with Mr. Dast.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT: The sixth annual Family Fun Night is **Thursday, September 26** from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Come get to know families with children from preschool - 2nd grade and enjoy an evening of fun family games. **Please park in the Pine Road parking lot.** The activities will be held outside near the garage area at Bethel weather permitting. Bring your inner child and let the games begin!

CEA BUSINESS MEETING: The CEA will have its first of two business meetings on **Sunday, September 22nd** after the church service. The other will take place in January. Parents are encouraged to attend this meeting and help support the work of the CEA.

FACULTY INSERVICE: Your faculty will have its first in service meeting on **Friday, September 20th**. School

will let out at noon. Please be on time to pick up your child. Thanks!

STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE: Your faculty will attend the Michigan District Teachers' Conference on **October 9, 10, and 11** in Jenera, Ohio. We will not be in session these days. Enjoy the time off with your student(s).

SOCCER TOURNAMENT: Our team played at a tournament in Chesaning this past Saturday. I hope everyone had fun. They won second place. Great job – Go Bobcats!

BIRTHDAYS: There are none to report for this week!

CROSS COUNTRY AT MLS:

Thanks to those representing Bethel and here's hoping you do well. The meet will be held at Wickes Park in Saginaw on **Wednesday, September 18th** beginning at 4:30 PM. Here is a schedule of events:

4:30 Grades 3-4 Half Mile
4:50 Grades 5-6 Mile Run
5:15 Grades 7-8 Mile and a half Run

The exact address is 7449 McCarty Rd., Saginaw, MI 48603. Those participating from Bethel are:

Isaiah Killinger	Gr. 8
Silas Killinger	Gr. 6
Trevor Dean	Gr. 5
Caleb Powers	Gr. 4
Avery Kukla	Gr. 3
Laney Wilson	Gr. 3
Austin Dean	Gr. 3

Thanks to these students for representing Bethel. **Go, Bobcats!**

SOCCER:

Games: All games begin at 4:00 PM unless otherwise noted.

9/17 vs. St. John's BC @ Bethel
9/19 vs. Trinity @ Trinity
9/24 vs. St. John's Sag/Hemlock. @ Bethel @ 4:30
10/1 vs. Burton @ Bethel @ 4:30

CHOIR SCHEDULE:

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

10/6 **Cherub Choir**
10/27 Cantate Choir

COMING UP:

9/16 **Girls' Club & Boy Pioneer**
9/18 **MLS Cross Country @ 4:30 PM**
9/20 **Faculty In Service – Dismiss @ Noon**
9/22 **CEA Business Meeting @ 11:00**
9/26 Family Fun Night @ 6:00
9/29 Back to School Ice Cream Social @ 3:00 PM
10/2-4 Camp Timbers
10/8 Class Pictures
10/9-11 State Teachers' Conf. No School
10/18 Grandparents' Day
Teacher in Service – Dismiss @ Noon

10/21 Girls' Club
10/24 Pre/K Cookie Bake
10/25 MLS Cardinal for a Day
10/27 Bethel 50th Ann. @ Pine Celebration
10/31 Costume Day in PM

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Preschool: The preschool classes are looking forward to a very exciting week. Both classes will be bringing their bikes, trikes, etc. to school to ride during their bike days this week. They are looking forward to riding around in the parking lot. The Bible lesson for the week is *God Saves Adam and Eve/ The First Sin*. The children will learn that God promised Adam and Eve a Savior. The memory treasures are: John 3:16 *God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son*" and Romans 3:23 *"All have sinned"*. The children will begin a new theme *Where We Live*. They will learn what a home is, different types of homes throughout the world, and what a neighbor is. The letter this week is B, the numbers are 2 and 3, the color red, and the circle. We welcome Miss Taylor to our classroom. Miss Taylor will be observing and helping in our classroom on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays as part of Early Childhood Education program at Delta College where she is a student. The 3 year old class will be visiting Johnson's Pumpkin Patch next Tuesday. Thank you to all the parents who are driving for our field trip!

Upcoming Dates:

September 19 Bike Day 3 year olds
September 20 Bike Day 4 year olds
September 24 Field trip 3 year olds
September 26 Family Fun Night
September 29 CEA Ice Cream Social
October 7 Field trip 4 year olds

Kindergarten: Our first full week of school is finished. This week in Word of God we will be learning about how God kept his promises to Abraham. We finished our first Letter book. In it we learned about the hard c sound like in cat. Please look it over with your child. This week we will be starting Letter book 2. It is about the letter O. The children will be learning the short sound it makes like in otter. Our sight word for this week will be "my" and our color word will be blue. The children should finish their first chapter in math on numbers 0-5 and will be learning about greater, lesser, and the ordinal numbers. In science class we have been learning about living and non-living things. Show and Tell for this week will be things that are blue or begin with the letter O. Field trip money and permission slips are due on Sept. 20. The cost of the field trip is **\$5.00 per person**. September book orders are due Friday, Sept. 20. You may order online using the classroom code GVJW9 or bring it in to school. All students are being dismissed at 12:00pm this Friday, Sept. 20 for a faculty in-service meeting. Some dates to mark on your calendar are the CEA meeting after church on Sept. 22, our field trip to Johnson's Pumpkin Farm on Sept. 24 and Family Fun Night on Sept. 26.

Memory Work:

Tuesday, Sept 17 – 5A Hebrews 10:23

Wednesday, Sept 18 - none

Thursday, Sept. 19 – none

Friday, Sept 20 – 6A Matthew 22:37

Monday, Sept 23 – none

Grades 1-2: Look for field trip slips to come home this week. Our first field trip of the year will be accompanying the 4 yr old preschoolers to Leaman's Green Apple Barn on October 7th. Please return this slip and the payment by Monday, September 23. Remember to place your Scholastic Book orders online using code Q4X4B. Thanks to those who have placed their orders already. All orders will be submitted by September 25. All parents should have received emails regarding Superkids. Please take advantage of this at home. Your child can read our weekly stories and practice spelling words at home. I have started entering grades in *Quick Schools*. Please let me know if you have any questions about your child's grades or *Quick Schools*. First grade will be taking a math test on Friday. Second grade will test next week Tuesday. Our first social studies test will be on Thursday. We have been busy learning about the difference between rules and laws and our federal, state and local governments. Please check your child's homework folder for additional information about what we are learning, especially upcoming spelling words and Memory Treasures.

Grades 3-5: We have our first full week of school in the books! The kids are settling into the classroom routines well. On Wednesday, hymn #411 *What a Friend We have in Jesus* is due. On Friday, our memory work is due and we will take our unit 2 spelling word test. On Friday, fifth grade will take a test over chapter one in math. Please help your child stay on top of their daily and weekly work. Last week, Camp Timbers forms were passed out. If your child is ordering a t-shirt for camp, the **t-shirt form needs to be returned to school by Wednesday, September 19th**. All other camp related forms need to be returned to school no later than Friday, September 27th. I am still in need of a female chaperone for camp; if anyone is interested please talk to me. Blessings on your week!

Grades 6-8: Thanks to Mrs. Drayer for serving as my sub this past Friday so that I could attend the Principals' Conference. It was our first full week of school! I am still moving along a bit slowly as the 6th graders adjust. It will take some more time, but as they always do, my new 6th grade students will get things figured out and do just fine. This coming week will have a few schedule changes. I will have extra time on Tuesday and Wednesday since Pastor will be out of town at a seminar. I can certainly use the time to help everyone adjust and catch up on some classes. There will be a half day of classes on Friday because of the Faculty In Service. Don't forget to arrange for your

child to go home at 12:00 noon. Make sure your child has picked a book to read for the first quarter and is doing so. Deadline for picking a book is this coming Friday, September 20th. The report is due Friday, October 25th.

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY:

MLS FOUNDATION HOMECOMING TAILGATE: Join us under the big tent on October 4, before the homecoming football game for food, fellowship, and fun! Dinner starts at 5:00. Tickets are \$10 for age 11 and up, \$7.50 for Kindergarten - age 10 and free for a preschooler. Please reserve your tickets by October 1. Visit www.mls-foundation.org/events/ or call 989.793.7511 for tickets and more information.