



Bethel Lutheran School's Weekly Newsletter

BOBCAT BULLETIN

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In the beginning God created the heavens and
the earth. Genesis 1:1

HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WELCOME BACK!

CHAPEL: Our mission offerings for the second quarter will be sent to the **Christian Life Resource Center** in Saginaw. Encourage your child to bring an offering each Wednesday. The offering this past week was **\$67.80**. Our total for the quarter is now **\$174.03**.

SNOW DAYS: Normally Bethel Lutheran School does not list itself separately when school closes because of winter weather; we follow the lead of the Bay City Public Schools. When they are closed due to the weather we are also closed. Due to the BC Public School System doing virtual learning right now, they are not likely to list themselves as closed because of weather. As long as the BC Public school system remains virtual, Bethel will post an individual weather related closing message. **When the BC school system resumes in person instruction on January 18, 2021 we will return to following their lead and not make a separate announcement.**

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT: Open enrollment for BLS 21-22 Preschool sessions will begin on **Friday, January 15, 2021**. Enrollment is open to the public on a first come first served basis.

MAP TESTING: A second round of MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) testing for grades 3-8 has been scheduled for **January 11th through the 22nd**. Please do the best you can to avoid doctors' appointments etc. during this time so that your student doesn't have to make up any testing. Thanks!

HUNGRY HOWIES PIZZA DAY: We have been having one pizza day per month to give everyone at home a break. This practice will continue, but due to conflicts in the availability of those needed to make things happen, going forward our Hungry Howies Pizza day will be the last Wednesday of the month. The next Hungry Howies Pizza day will be **Wednesday, January 27th**. I hope this isn't a problem for anyone.

ANOTHER CALENDER CHANGE: On **February 8th** there was supposed to be a Pastor/Teacher Conference and accordingly a day of no school. That conference has been canceled; therefore we are **adding back** a day of school on to our calendar. **WE WILL HAVE A FULL DAY OF SCHOOL ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH**. Our google calendar has been updated to reflect this change.

BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to:
Jacob Krohn 1/17 Gr. 5

CEA MEETING: The 2nd business meeting of the CEA (Christian Education Association) has been scheduled for **Sunday, January 17th** right after the church service. It will be held in church. I hope you plan to attend.

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK: Each year our school celebrates Lutheran Education with a special week activities and fun. Due to COVID our celebration will be a bit limited but there is still much to look forward to. This year Lutheran Schools Week is the week of January 25-29. Watch this newsletter and our Google Calendar for announcements and details.

END OF QUARTER: The second quarter of the school year will officially end on **Friday, January 22nd**. I hope everyone works hard to stay on track and do their best to finish the quarter strong.

REPORT CARDS: Report cards for the second quarter will be sent home on **Wednesday, January 27th**. Please keep the card, but sign and return the envelope. No formal consultations are planned for the second quarter, but if you have a concern please feel free to contact your child's teacher and set up an appointment.

FACULTY IN SERVICE: Your faculty will have its monthly in service meeting on **Friday, January 22nd**, in the afternoon. There will be a half day of school with students being dismissed at 12:00 noon. Please remember to be on time.

BOYS' BASKETBALL SEASON: For a variety of reasons our sports league has decided to postpone the beginning of our boys' basketball season. Information is being gathered and decisions are pending on a new startup date. I believe our season will begin sometime mid to late March. I will keep you informed.

VOLLEYBALL: Our volleyball season will begin soon using the calendar spots vacated by moving the boys' basketball program to spring. A few of the reasons resulting in this change are that there is less close contact of opposition team members with our team members and the availability of

certified refs. More on this as things evolve. Right now a new schedule is being developed.

COMING UP:

- 1/11-1/22** MAP Testing Window
- 1/15** Open Enrollment for 21-22 Preschool Classes Begins
- 1/17** CEA Business meeting @ 11:00 AM
- 1/22** Faculty In Service ½ Day - Dismiss at Noon
End 2nd Quarter
- 1/25-29** Lutheran Schools Week
- 1/27** Report Cards Sent Home
Hungry Howies Pizza Day