



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

CHAPEL: Our mission offerings for the second quarter were sent to the **Pregnancy Care Center** in Saginaw. The offering this past week was **\$50.54**. Our total for the quarter is now **\$257.34**. Starting this Wednesday our chapel offerings will be given to our own **Equip for Quality Fund**. This fund is used to purchase things for the school which are not budgeted but necessary. Most recently a lot of money from this fund has been used to upgrade or purchase new technology.

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

SNOW DAYS CLOSING OF SCHOOL: The Bay City Public elementary schools are back face to face for instruction. Historically we have followed their lead for calling snow days. Since they are now open they will have to resume making decisions on weather related closings and we will resume following their lead. **Bethel will not have a separate listing for snow days. If the BC Public Schools are closed due to weather we are also automatically closed.**

KINDERGARTEN SURVEY: 4 yr. old preschool parents were given a paper survey about BLS Kindergarten for next year. Please fill out that form and return it promptly. This information is vital to our planning and preparedness. Thank you.

HONOR ROLL: Congratulations to those students in grades 6-8 who made honor roll for the 2nd quarter!

All A's & B's

- Olivia Rouech Gr. 6
- James Krohn Gr. 7
- Logan Szostek Gr. 7
- Hayden Powers Gr. 8

All A's

- Trevor Dean Gr. 6
- Connor McGehee Gr. 7
- Heidi Dahn Gr. 8
- Alivia Kukla Gr. 8

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK: What a difference a year makes! This year's Lutheran Schools Week will look a little different but we will still be able to highlight and celebrate the blessings of our Lutheran Schools and have some fun! This is to inform you of some activities the students will be doing throughout the week.

To start each day we will have a special dress up day theme. The themes will be:

- Monday- Pajama Day*
- Tuesday- Favorite College/Team Day*
- Wednesday- Formal/"Dress Your Best" Day*
- Thursday- Mismatch Day*
- Friday- Bethel Spirit Day*

During the week the students will also work on a **Penny Challenge** with funds going to help nursing homes affected by COVID-19. Students can bring

any amount of change to their classroom throughout the week. The classroom with the most change will receive a prize.

Each classroom will also be designing a bulletin board for their spot in the hallway. **The bulletin board design will follow with our school year theme “It All Began with God”** and each classroom will be representing a different part of the creation story.

One of the days during the week students will be participating in a **Zoom virtual game with other classrooms.**

As a school we will be putting together a **thank you video to the congregation for supporting our school.** Each classroom will have a part in the video. Look for the finished video sometime at the end of Lutheran Schools Week.

We thank the Lord for the blessings that our Lutheran Schools provide and look forward to celebrating and thanking God for them!

PENNY WAR: As mentioned above, we are doing a Penny War. Since we are keeping common areas to a minimum we will keep penny jars in the classrooms and the coins will only be counted as positive points. It can be any type of coin or bill. Each day the coins will be added up and the totals will be displayed on the bulletin board near the kindergarten room. The classroom with the most money raised will win a movie and popcorn. As COVID continues and those on the front line often aren't recognized enough the money raised will be used to support the nursing home staffs our school normally visits during the school year.

HUNGRY HOWIES PIZZA DAY: This coming **Wednesday, January 27th**, will be a Hungry Howies Pizza Day. Order forms are being sent home today. Going forward our monthly pizza day will be the **last Wednesday of each month.** Please note this change!

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.

VOLLEYBALL: The coed volleyball season is about to begin. Below you will see our tentative schedule. Thanks to Pastor Killinger for serving as our coach again this year and to Hailey Dahn for assisting.

Practices: Practices are from **3:00 to 4:30** unless otherwise listed.

Monday 1/25

Thursday 1/28

Monday 2/1

Thursday 2/4

Monday 2/8

Thursday 2/11

Matches:

Friday 2/12 vs. GS Mid. @ 5:30 @ Bethel

vs. St. B's @ 7:30 @ Bethel

Friday 2/19 vs. SJ Hem. @ 5:30 @ Christ Sh.

vs. Trinity I @ 6:30 @ Christ Sh.

Friday 2/26 vs. SJBC II @ 5:30 @ SJBC

vs. SJBC I @ 6:30 @ SJBC

Friday, 3/5 vs. SJSag @ 5:30 @ Bethel

vs. Trinity II @ 7:30 @ Bethel

BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to:

Scarlett Brown 1/27 Pre.

Mr. Thooff 1/28 Teacher 3-5

Kody VanDenBoom 1/29 Gr. 2

Elianna Kain 1/30 Gr. 2

COMING UP:

1/25-29 Lutheran Schools Week

1/27 Report Cards Sent Home

Hungry Howies Pizza Day

2/14 Valentine's Day

2/17 Ash Wednesday

2/26 Faculty in Service – ½ Day