



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: During the third quarter 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. This past week we collected **\$41.80**. Our total for the quarter is now **\$316.32**.

LENT/EASTER SERVICES: Please join us for our special church services leading up to the celebration of Easter. All mid-week Lenten services start at 6:30 P.M.

3/24 Lent VI

- 4/1 Maundy Thursday (6:30 P.M.)
- 4/2 Good Friday (1:00 & 6:30 P.M.)
- 4/4 Easter Sunday (8:00 & 10:00 A.M.)

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. As of today, there are **three spots still open** in our four year old program and **nine spots still open** in our 3 yr. old program. Help us get the word out!

MR. THOFT: Mr. Thoft has received a call to teach grades 3-4, as well as serve as athletic director, technology director, and assistant principal at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Bangor, Wisconsin. Please keep him in your prayers as he decides where to continue to serve the Lord. I am sure he

would appreciate any comments you might like to share. Please feel free to contact him.

MRS. FRISKE: Mrs. Friske has received a call to teach grades 1-2 at Good Shepherd Lutheran School in West Allis, Wisconsin. Please keep her in your prayers as she decides where to continue to serve the Lord. I am sure she would appreciate any comments you might like to share. Please feel free to contact her.

SPRING BREAK TRAVEL: Please be advised that if you travel out of state during spring break you will have to watch the COVID positivity test rate for your destination. We do not make individual decisions about your child's back to school status. You are to contact the Bay County Health Department before and after your travel. They decide if your travel requires your child to quarantine before returning to school. Please keep us informed as to your child's return to school status. Thanks!

EASTER EGG HUNT: Bethel will once again be having an Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday. There will be three different groups hunting – PreK and under, K to 3, and 4 up. We will do our best to be age appropriate for each group. There will be two egg hunts, one after each service. Donations are needed such as plastic eggs and items to put inside the eggs. You can give your donation

directly to Mrs. Killinger and you may also contact her with your questions.

END QUARTER: The end of the 3rd quarter of this school year is **Friday, March 26th**. Please make sure you check on **QuickSchools** or with your child's teacher to ensure everything is on track.

REPORT CARDS: Report cards for the third quarter will be sent home on **Wednesday, March 31st**. There are no formal consultations scheduled for the third quarter, but if you would like to discuss your child's progress please contact your child's teacher and an appointment will be set up.

PLAYGROUND UPGRADE: At our last Board of Education meeting we discussed the recent fundraiser and how that positions us for a playground upgrade. I informed you that we had our eyes on what we thought was a good cost saving option that would allow us to move quickly. Upon investigating this opportunity it was realized that because of new playground regulations and a few other factors, this option will not work for us. At the next meeting of the BOE we will discuss the purchase of new equipment. A subcommittee of the BOE is likely to be formed that will identify a new structure that will meet our needs and is affordable. I hope to be able to present to you, before the end of the year, a concept and additional details as well as a timeline to get this project done. Stay tuned and once again thanks for all your support!

FACULTY IN SERVICE: School will be dismissed at 12:00 noon on **Friday, March 26th**. Your faculty will have meetings in the afternoon. Please be on time to pick up your child(ren). Thanks!

PENNY WAR: As you likely remember, during Lutheran Schools Week in late January, we had a penny challenge. The money that we raised would be used to support health care providers in our community. We plan to provide them with complementary food items and drinks to thank them for working on the front lines during the COVID Pandemic. This coming **Wednesday, March 24th**, with the help of the 8th graders, I will

deliver the food and drink items mentioned above to 4 nursing homes in our area.

BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to:
Olive Welton 3/24 Pre.
Aurora Taylor 3/27 Pre.
Marcus Fuhrman 3/28 Gr. 2

VOLLEYBALL UNIFORMS: The volleyball season is over **again**. There was an unexpected invitation extended to our 7th and 8th graders to play this past Friday evening. They enjoyed one more opportunity to play. Please look over your child's uniform. Make repairs if needed, clean your child's uniform and send it to school right away. Thanks!

GYM CAPACITIES: I have some new news regarding the boys' basketball season. Due to the easing of restrictions please note the following:

- Small gyms (Bethel, Christ Shields, and Salem Owosso) will continue to allow only 2 spectators per player
- Large gyms (Trinity, St. John's, Vassar Central, Emanuel Tawas, and Emanuel Lansing) will allow 4 spectators per player.

BOYS' BASKETBALL:

Boys' Games:

Fri. 4/16 vs. Salem Owosso @ Bethel A&B
Tue. 4/20 vs. St.B/GSM/SJS @ Trinity A&B
Fri. 4/23 vs. St. Luke's @ Bethel A only
Tue. 4/27 vs. St. John's BC @ St. John's A&B
Fri. 4/30 vs. Emanuel @ Lansing A only
Tue. 5/4 vs. Trinity BC @ Trinity A&B
Fri. 5/7 vs. Zion Chesaning @ Bethel A&B

Boys' B Practices: All practices are from 4:30 to 6:00 unless otherwise posted

Tue. 3/23

Fri. 3/26

Tue. 3/30

Boys' A Practices: All practices are from 3:00 to 4:30 unless otherwise posted

Mon. 3/22

Thur. 3/25

Mon. 3/29

Thur. 4/1

COMING UP:

3/26 End 3rd Quarter

Faculty in Service – Dismiss at Noon

3/31 Report Cards Sent Home
Hungry Howies Pizza Day

4/2 Good Friday –

4/5-9 BLS Spring Vacation – No School

4/12 Classes resume after Spring Break

4/12-23 MAP Testing Window – Grades 3-8

4/23 Principals' Conference

4/28 Hungry Howies Pizza Day

4/30 Sports Team Pictures Day