

SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

Bethany Lutheran School

November 2, 2009

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MISSION: “By the power of God’s spirit, the mission of Bethany Lutheran School is to train, equip, and support witnesses for His kingdom.”

Chapel: Wednesday, November 4th, at 8:48 a.m. led by Pastor Balla.
All are invited to attend.

No School: There will be no school on Friday for all classes for Parent/Teacher Conferences for grades Kindergarten through 8th grade.

No Shorts: Shorts can no longer be worn in school. They can be worn again starting April 1st, 2010.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

This week brings us to the end of the first quarter which leads us to Parent/Teacher Conferences for Kindergarten through eighth grade. This is a wonderful opportunity to formally review your child’s progress during the past nine weeks. To help you prepare for your conference jot down questions and concerns. Take time to review the report card with your child. Use the conference time to work with the classroom teacher on suggestions and strategies to help your child during the next nine weeks. Remember, we are in partnership together!

SCHOOL OFFICE NEWS

Parent/Teachers Conferences—November 5th and 6th

Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place on Thursday, November 5th and Friday, November 6th, for Kindergarten through 8th grade. Check your conferences times and please be prompt. If you did not receive your schedule, please call the School Office.

There will be no school for Preschool through 8th grade on Friday, November 6th.

Bethany’s Book Fair—November 5th and 6th (during conferences)

Once again Bethany will be having a book fair during Parent/Teacher Conferences. The books will be on display in the Library and can be purchased beginning Thursday, November 5th, at 4:00 p.m. through conferences on Friday, November 6th. The proceeds of books purchased goes to help support the Library.

Looking for Help for the Book Fair. If any parents would be willing to spend a few hours helping out at the Book Fair on either Thursday, November 5th, or Friday, November 6th, please let the School Office or Nancy Yendrejczyk know you can help. Thursday 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. or Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Any time would be appreciated.

Picture Retakes—November 3rd--Packages Received Must Be Returned

School picture retakes are scheduled for Tuesday, November 3rd. If your child was absent on picture day or you would like to have the pictures taken again Tuesday is the day. If your child was absent please send in the picture envelope with a check if you are ordering a package of pictures. Additional picture envelopes are located in the School Office. **If you are having your child’s pictures retaken, please return the complete the package you received on Tuesday.** Packets will need to be returned for retakes to be taken.

“Daddy Daughter Dance”---Deadline to Order November 6th

The 8th grade class is sponsoring a “Daddy Daughter” dance to help offset the cost of their class trip. The dance will be held on Sunday, November 15th, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. with a formal dinner and dancing. Each guest (Daddy and Daughter(s)) will receive a photograph, candlelight dinner, dessert, and dancing. Ticket prices are \$16.00 per couple. Each additional sibling will be \$1.00. The dance is for girls and their fathers/special someones from the ages of Kindergarten through 5th grade. To purchase tickets, turn in order forms to the School Office. Order forms for the dance were included in last week’s “Connections”. Additional order forms can be picked up in the School Office.

Boxtops Update

As of Wednesday, October 28th, the leader in the “Boxtops for Education” contest is the Kindergarten class! In second place is the first grade class with 3rd grade and 5th grade close behind. There’s still time to bring in more boxtops. The contest ended Friday, October 30th. We are up to \$350.00 in boxtops right now.

Good job Bethany! Keep those boxtops coming in.

School Connections Assemblers

November 2 nd	Teresa Rogers
November 9 th	Kristin Kozuh
November 16 th	Pam Stricker
November 23 rd	Kim Rodriguez

If you can’t come on your scheduled day, please call and switch with someone from the list.

MANNA/PTL/MARKET DAY UPDATES

Manna

Please Note - Beginning Week of November 30th, manna orders will still be due on Tuesdays at 9:00, but for the month of December (only) all orders will be filled on THURSDAYS not Wednesdays. This is part of the Manna Group’s holiday schedule.

Teacher/Staff Favorite Manna Cards list has been updated for this holiday season. Stop by the manna desk or office to pick one up! Holiday shopping is right around the corner. Stock up now to avoid backorders during December. We will be expanding our cash and carry inventory during November and December to accommodate your shopping needs.

Market Day

All pie order forms are due back to school by November 2nd. Please make sure all orders are prepaid and checks are payable to Bethany Lutheran School.

Pennies for Pies, our fundraiser for Loaves and Fishes food pantry. Our goal is 250 pies! Let’s sell, sell, sell. or donate, donate, donate to reach this goal and hopefully go beyond!

FOOD COURT

Hot Lunch

November 4th—cheeseburger, baked beans, peaches, cookies

Early Helpers: None needed

Serving Helpers: Laurie Velasquez, Nancy Pavlopoulos, Kim Paquette

November 11th—sloppy joe sandwich, tater tots, fresh carrots, ice cream bar

Early Helpers: Jackie Harris Doorn

Serving Helpers: Jackie Doorn, Kiko Holbomb, Lisa Hetherman

November 18th—Thanksgiving Feast—turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, pumpkin pie
Early Helpers: None needed
Serving Helpers: Nadine Parmenter, Caroline Martyn, Colin Paul, Jennifer Kronemann, Mike Kronemann, Tracie Onsager
December 2nd—hot ham/cheese sand., pretzels, apple sauce cup, oreo cookies
Early Helpers: Nancy Dashut, Michele Gertzen
Serving Helpers: None needed

NOTE: Hot Lunch Helpers---if you can't work on your assigned day, please call Gina Stoehr as soon as possible so a replacement can be found.

Pizza Day—Friday, November 13th and Friday, November 20th
Pasta Lunch—Tuesday, November 3rd and Tuesday, November 17th

SPORTS

Basketball will be starting soon so watch the “Connections” for game days and times.

OTHER NOTEWORTH NEWS

For Bethany Parents Only—8th Grade Confirmation Parent Meeting

On Monday, Nov. 9th, at 7:00 pm, there will be a meeting for all parents of 8th grade confirmation students. This meeting is informational and will help parents understand the process of the final year of confirmation and how the confirmation process helps them as parents.

Worlds of Wisdom and Wonder—Winter 2010

We have brochures in the School Office for “Worlds of Wisdom and Wonder” from the The Center for Gifted from National-Louis University. If you are interested, stop by and pick up a copy.

Bethany Family Looking for Babysitter

Bethany church family is looking for a temporary babysitter for their 5 month old son. Time frame is November 9 – end of November/possibly early December; Monday – Friday, 8AM-4PM in their Oswego home. Dad works out of the home but needs someone to watch their baby during working hours. If interested, please contact Phyllis in the church office, 630-355-2198.

Bethany Family Members

The church is in the process of assembling a new Church Directory. We need all families to sign up for a time to have your picture taken for the new directory. Please contact the Church Office or sign up on Sunday morning.