SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL BITS AND BARK

August 29, 2024

Our Mission: Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School disciples each generation to grow deeply, serves humbly, and goes boldly in Christ to advance God's Kingdom.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Principal's Message

"I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts. They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works. They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds." Ps. 145: 1-6

Psalm 145 is a beautiful anthem of praise, celebrating the greatness and goodness of God. It begins with a personal commitment to exalt and praise God endlessly. The psalmist's dedication to worship is unwavering, not focused on moments of convenience or comfort but as a daily practice. Our daily praise is not just about repeating words but asking God to cultivate a heart that continually recognizes and rejoices in God's greatness.

In the opening verses, we see the encouragement to exalt God, not just in private but publicly and eternally. God is described as "Great" and "most worthy of praise." This is an invitation for us to look beyond our immediate circumstances and to see the infinite nature of God.

Verse 4 speaks of the generational impact of praising God. The act of commending God's works to the next generation is not just about recounting historical events; it's about passing on a living faith. This legacy is built on the foundation of shared stories of God's mighty acts and the impact they have on individual lives and communities. Each generation is called to tell of God's deeds, ensuring that His wonders and faithfulness are not forgotten but celebrated every day.

During this school year, may we all be encouraged to start each day recognizing and celebrating God's greatness, even in the ordinary moments of life and to be intentional about passing on your knowledge of God's goodness to others, especially our children. May we all share our stories of His faithfulness and the impact they've had on our lives.

God's Blessings, Mrs. Greener, Principal

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Week of September 2 to September 6
Salad Choice: Cobb Salad

MONDAY: NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY: Egg Sausage Sandwich or

Breakfast Burrito

Hot Side Options: Cauliflower and Maple

Sweet Potatoes

WEDNESDAY: Cheese Toastie or Fish Sticks **Hot Side Options:** Sweet Potato Puffs and Broccoli

THURSDAY: Breaded Chicken Sandwich, Spicy Breaded Chicken Sandwich or Grilled Chicken Sandwich

Hot Side Options: French Fries and Pears

FRIDAY: Fiestada or Breakfast Pizza **Hot Side Options:** Corn and Green Beans

Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches and Yogurt & Cheese can be substituted for main dish.

THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

NURSERY: Declan Murphy

PRESCHOOL: Henry Berry and Byron Ashcraft

KINDERGARTEN A: Evelynne Clemons **KINDERGARTEN B:** Harper Cornman

1ST GRADE: Kyler Auer **2ND GRADE:** Canyon Benz **3RD GRADE:** Olivia Brincefield

4TH GRADE: Ellie Bell

5TH GRADE: Lincoln Bowen **6TH GRADE:** Aryanna Biggs **7TH GRADE A:** Lincoln Boatwright

7TH GRADE B: Aspen Benz **8TH GRADE:** Abe Brown

SUPPORT STAFF: Mrs. Patty Macke

TEACHERS: All Teachers

"Your Kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord is **faithful** in all his words and kind in all his works." Psalm 145:13

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tardies and Absences

Please remind the policy on tardies and absences. (5) absences with a parent note, others must have a doctor's note. Upon (8) unexcused will lead to a meeting. Tardies – school begins at 7:55. Students must be in class by 7:55AM. Upon (5) tardies, the teacher will notify, at 8 a meeting will be set up with the Principal. We do not share this to seem rude but to show that we value the importance of timeliness and attendance.

Morning Drop Off

Just as a friendly reminder, students in grades K-8 to be dropped off at Door #13 (Commons) **unless** they have a sibling who is in Preschool in the mornings.

Back-To-School Paperwork and Free and Reduced Lunch Applications

If you have not done so already, please make sure to return all Back-To-School Paperwork and your Free and Reduced Lunch Application to the School Office **no later than Friday, September 6.**

Piano Lessons Offered

Mrs. Peperkorn will be offering piano lessons to interested students after school. Lessons are once a week for 1/2 hour. Tuition is \$100 per month, plus books. Contact Mrs. Peperkorn for more info. kpeperkorn@sblschool.com

REPEATED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Picture Day - Mark Your Calendars

On Thursday, **September 12 and Friday**, **September 13**, we will be having our Picture Day for our students. Students in **Kindergarten through 8th Grade** will have their photos on **Thursday** and **Nursery and Preschool** will have them on **Friday**. Picture order forms were sent home with your students this week

Bits and Bark Newsletter

Each week, you will receive our weekly newsletter, the Bits and Bark. All families will receive this electronically through Remind. Last week, was the LAST week for ALL families to receive a paper copy. If you would prefer to have a paper copy, please let the School Office know and we will be sure to send one home each week with your child.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Get to know our SBL Staff!

NAME: Mrs. Melissa Holman POSITION: 8th Grade Homeroom HOMETOWN: Cape Girardeau, MO FAVORITE SUBJECT: Social Studies FAVORITE COLOR: Red Orange FAVORITE FOOD: Raspberries FAVORITE HOBBY: Gardening

SHARE ONE OF YOUR FAVORITE MEMORIES FROM SCHOOL: I

participated in the Quiz Bowl.

FAVORITE BIBLE VERESE: "A voice says, "Cry!" and I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever." Isaiah 40:6-8

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We would like to wish a very special birthday to our SBL students and staff who celebrate their birthday in the month of SEPTEMBER!

Hudson Carter Teagan Sims Claire Oren Gemma Schmenk Eloise Boggs Gwen Burkett Leighton Treager Elise Bohnke Rayna Rodriguez Thu Rein Claire Heintzman Renleigh Heintzelman Matthew Nichols Remington Shaw Lilly Satterthwaite Juniper Harmon Madilyn and Camille Johnson Emma Nichols Brooklynn and Hailey Norris Ben Merritt Trinity Snyder Zoe Dahnke Dexter Schaefer Grace Waszczak and Dominic Gable

GO BULLDOGS!

Good luck to all of our students who are playing fall sports this season!

VARSITY GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Wednesday, September 4
SBLS vs. LSUS at LSU at 5:30PM
Thursday, September 5
SBLS vs. SPI at SPI at 5:30PM
Monday, September 9
SBLS vs. SJE at SJE at 5:30PM

JV GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Wednesday, September 4
SBLS vs. LSUS at LSU at 4:30PM
Thursday, September 5
SBLS vs. SPI at SPI at 4:30PM
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BOYS SOCCER

Wednesday, September 4
SBLS vs. Central Lutheran
at Kreager Park #2 at 4:30PM

