SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

BITS AND BARK

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.

February 27, 2025

Principal's Message

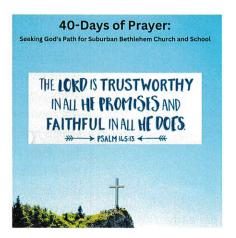
Last Friday, we had the privilege of hearing from a speaker from Protect Young Eyes, an organization dedicated to helping parents and educators navigate the complexities of technology and online safety for kids. The speaker shared several key insights, including the importance of open communication about digital habits, setting clear boundaries for screen time, and monitoring online activities. They emphasized the growing need for parents to be proactive in teaching kids about online risks and ensuring that kids have a healthy relationship with technology. For more resources and tips on how to keep your children safe in the digital world, we highly encourage you to visit the Protect Young Eyes website.

We also want to invite you to join us for one of our Prayer Conversations meetings. These gatherings provide a special opportunity to reflect on how God has moved in our lives through the devotions and to share our thoughts and dreams for our school ministry. We believe this is a meaningful time for community building, as we discuss how God has shown us His faithfulness and where He might be leading us next. We would love to have you join us. Let's come together to seek God's guidance for our school's future!

We look forward to seeing you there! Links for signing up for a prayer conversation are below.

In Christ,

Mrs. Amy Greener, Principal



WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Week of February 24 to February 28, 2025 Salad Choice: Chef Salad

MONDAY: Chicken and Noodles and Salisbury Steak

Hot Side Options: Mashed Potatoes and Corn

TUESDAY: Baked Chicken Drumstick or Chicken Fried Rice

Hot Side Options: Broccoli and Carrots

WEDNESDAY: Walking Taco or Spicy Walking

Taco

Hot Side Options: Pinto Beans and Fajita Veggies

THURSDAY: Lasagna or Cheesy Garlic French

Hot Side Options: Green Beans and Salad

FRIDAY: Chicken Nuggets, Spicy Chicken Nuggets or Grilled Chicken Nuggets

Hot Side Options: Sweet Potato Puffs and Cauliflower

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

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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

NURSERY: Haven Patton

PRESCHOOL: Maggie Burkett and Rhett Call

KINDERGARTEN A: Lucia Lofgren KINDERGARTEN B: Weston Lewis 1ST GRADE: Maddox Wiedenhoeft

2ND GRADE: Emmett Yoder 3RD GRADE: Zola Duncan 4TH GRADE: Ellie Bell

5TH GRADE: Lincoln Bowen **6TH GRADE:** Fiona Boatwright **7TH GRADE A:** Summer Kline

7TH GRADE B: Tyson Labit **8TH GRADE:** Catelynn Hockemeyer **SUPPORT STAFF:** Amber Yoder

TEACHERS: All Teachers

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

40 Days of Prayer Conversations

Please join us and show your care for our school community.
Please register for one of the Prayer Conversations listed above:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdpWF3pPMCfO MH1Hvags3Hx6aL7MdaYjoo8sK4Q/viewform?usp=header



Fort Wayne Zoo

Fort Wayne Zoo is looking for those interested in their Teen Leadership Program this summer. Attached is the program brochure with all the information on the program and how to apply. You can also visit

https://fwzoo.com/volunteers/teen-volunteers/ to learn more. Please share this with your students and spread the word. Applications CLOSE on 2/28/28.

REPEATED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Singing Schedule

There has been an update to the singing schedule. Our pre-k through 2nd grade will sing at the 8:00AM service on **Sunday**, **February 23**. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Peperkorn.

8th Grade Families - Concordia Registration

Any student considering attending CLHS this fall **must complete their application** in order to select their classes at Freshman Scheduling Night. The application can be found here: https://www.clhscadets.com/apps/pages/apply

Our Freshman Scheduling Nights are scheduled as follows:

February 24 – Last names A-M at 6:15PM

February 26 - Last Names N-Z at 6:15PM

Annual Live and Silent Auction - Save The Date!

Join us for our Annual SBL Auction on **Saturday, March 22 from 5:00-9:00PM** at the Allen County Fairgrounds. You must be 21 years old to attend. Be sure to follow our Bulldog Auction Facebook page for updates. We hope to see you there!

Class Basket Themes

Nursery Class- Crafts and more, PK (Hobbs)- Summertime Fun, PK (Calle)- Zoo Theme, K (Gottschalk)-Gardening, K (Braun)-Movie Night, 1st-Camping, 2nd- Coffee and Tea, 3rd-Gift Cards, 4th-Sports, 5th-Baking, 6th-Candy, 7th (Gottschalk)-Chocolate, (Dahnke)- Fort Wayne Fun, 8th- Game Night

Mother-Son Event

Mark your calendars. The Mother-Son event is coming up on **April 12.** We could use some volunteers to help with planning and during this event. It is in the very early planning phases. If you would like to help, please reach out to Heather Johnston at (260) 341-6333.

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 **FEBRUARY!**

Evalyn O'Brien Elias Pollick Lillian Lively Deaconess Michelle Schultz Mrs. Lauren Johnston Asher Alderman Jace Nichols Evelynne clemons Tyson Labit Nora Elder Duncan McGregor Nathan Stoops Iris Sai Lucia Lofgren Braedon Snyder Connor Brackmann Ethan Lawrence Cortney Hockemeyer Lily Hart Kaitlyn Mertens Liam Sawvel

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Get to know our Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Staff... This week we meet,

Mrs. Maryanne McClure!

Position: Pre-K Assistant **Hometown:** Fort Wayne, IN **Favorite Color:** Blue and

Green

Favorite Subject: Science
Favorite Sport: Baseball
Favorite Food: Cheese
Favorite Memory of School:

Walking through the tunnel to

get from school to church which made me feel safe.

Fun Fact About Yourself: I have 4 children and 6 grandchildren.

Favorite Bible Verse:

Proverbs 3:5-6