



BITS & BARKS



SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

October 5th, 2017

Deeply Rooted to Grow – “How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news”

Our Mission: “Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School disciples each generation to grow deeply, serve humbly, and go boldly in Christ to advance God’s Kingdom.”

SBLS Websites:

www.suburbanbethlehem.org

<http://fastdir.com/sbbs/>

Hot Lunch = \$2.80

Reduced Lunch = \$0.40

Milk = \$0.35

Lunch Menu- 10/9/17-10/13/17

Monday-Grilled chicken sandwich, sweet potato fries, romaine salad, peaches, milk; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Tuesday-Cheese omelet, green beans, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, dinner roll, fruit cocktail, milk; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Wednesday-Walking taco, corn, raw broccoli with dip, pears, milk; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Thursday-Cheese toastie, baked beans, strawberry yogurt, apple slices, milk; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Friday-Cheese stuffed breadsticks with pizza sauce, cooked carrots, romaine salad, strawberries and blueberries, milk; Or yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

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We are Praying for You!

Each Monday our staff gathers together and prays for members of the SBLS family. A list is posted on the bulletin board near the school office. This week we prayed for: **Ian Galbreath, Logan Dewitt, Abby Griewank, Carter Johnson, Jonathan Hill, Jacob Jones, Brandon Norris, Keaton Gass, Ila Grepke, Caylee Lolmaugh, Penelope Null, Ethan Martin and Mrs. Angie Zelt.**

From the Desk of the Principal

Short Notes from Home & School Connection

Excellent Attendance
Being in school every day means your child won't miss out on learning. Try to schedule appointments and family trips outside of school hours. If he asks to stay home “just because,” remind him of what he'll miss, such as his reading group or PE class. Explain that he can be absent only if he is really sick or if there's a family emergency.

Did you know?

Children who regularly eat meals with their families tend to do better in school and avoid risky behavior. Eating dinner together is great, but other meals count too. If you work at night, maybe you could make time for a family breakfast. Or on a weekend try a picnic lunch.

Celebrate progress

Suggest that your youngster create a fun reminder all the things she has accomplished. Let her cover a box with construction paper and label it “I did it!” Then, she can write each success (such as “I learned to add fractions”) on a slip of paper and put it in the box. If she is feeling discouraged, have her read the slips.

Worth quoting

“The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer somebody else up!”
Mark Twain

School Picture Re-Take...

day is scheduled for Friday, October 6 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The photographer will be here only as long as it takes to get all re-takes shot. Any parent who would like their child's picture re-taken must send in the original package with their child that day to give to the photographer and they will then re-shoot the child's picture.

October Chapel Project - Hurricane Relief Assistance

Our October chapel offering will help the restoration efforts of Lutheran South Academy in Houston, Texas. They received extensive flood damage from Hurricane Harvey last month. When they assessed their needs they found the following:

- * Extensive building damage making it unusable for a month with construction continuing until January 2018. The entire student body has been temporarily relocated to a nearby church until school buildings are safe to occupy.

- * Lost a tremendous amount of classroom and extracurricular content that will well exceed the insurance coverage.

- * Eight staff members were completely flooded out of their homes and have had to relocate.

- * Over 40 school families had flood waters in their home with some homes being deemed a complete loss.



Please join with the entire SBL Church & School Family in helping our brothers and sisters in Christ in Houston, Texas. 100% of our chapel offerings will be added to the contributions collected in our church to help these folks recover from this devastating event. **And, The Lutheran Foundation of Fort Wayne is matching contributions from Lutheran churches and schools up to \$200,000 (by October 31). The matching funds will be channeled through the**

LCMS World Relief for Lutheran churches and schools in Houston.

We welcome visitors to join us at chapel every Wednesday at 8:10 a.m.

Baptism/Dedication Birthdays

We will be recognizing baptism and dedication birthdays during chapel on Wednesday, October 18. Students who were baptized or dedicated during the month of October will be recognized. Parents, siblings, grandparents, sponsors, etc. are welcome to attend. Chapel begins @ 8:10 in the church.

Christian Character Class Presentations by Cross Connections Begin

This week was the beginning of 5 weeks of classroom presentations in our k-8 classrooms. Mrs. Megan Beeching, a Counselor at Cross Connections Christian Counseling, is presenting these weekly topics. This first week's topic was *Respect: words and actions*.

Parent-Teacher Conference Schedule

Parents of all kindergarten thru 8th grade students should look for the P-T Conference Schedule in the Family Folder this week. P-T Conferences are held in the afternoon and evening of Thursday, October 26. Please contact Mrs. Macke or Mrs. Blessing through Fast Direct if you need to make changes to the proposed schedule.

8th Grade Fund Raiser

We are sponsoring a Fresh Smoked Pulled Pork Dinner. This dinner is scheduled for Sunday, October 8.

Serving times are 10:30 – 1:00 in the SBL Commons. This is a Dine In / Carry Out event. The meal costs \$8.00 per meal. The meal includes Pulled Pork – Potatoes – Roll. The students or Mr. Doepner will be selling tickets. The money raised will help these students go to Washington DC.

Coupon Books For Sale

The 8th grade has 8 coupon books for sale. See Mr. Doepner or an 8th grader to buy one. Thanks for your support!

2017 Fall Festival Saturday October 14th 4:00 -7:00 p.m.

The SBLC & SBLS Fall Festival will be on Saturday, October 14th. Please make sure to mark this on your calendar. You may pre-order tickets through the school office, see the attached order form.

During car line next week, Monday October 9th thru Friday October 13th you may drop off your 2 liters, game trinkets and candy & purchase tickets.

If you enjoy baking, consider bringing in prepackaged treats for the Cake/Cookie walk. The items can be dropped off in the commons on Friday October 13th, before or after school, or Saturday morning October 14th.

Please fast direct Teresa Haag with any questions.

Pizza, salad, chips and pretzels are available.

SIGN UP TO HELP, with a game and earn tickets for your family. Look for the sign up sheet on the wall in the commons. Thank you!

All SBL 5th-8th Graders

Join us for the night of fun, fall festivities and a hayride. Chili, hotdogs and drinks will be provided. Please bring a snack and a side dish to share and a friend or two. All 5th thru 8th graders are welcome.

Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 6p to 9p @ Mike Ostrander's House, 3567 South 700 East, Columbia City, Indiana 46725. If you have questions, call or text Kayli Greener at 260.438.6361 or Kelsey Greener at 260.38.3874.

MOPS/MOMSnext

Are you interested in getting together with other moms for some fellowship and time to unwind? Moms with children from infancy through elementary school, please join us from 6:15 until 8:15 on October 12th (room 205) and October 26th (at the Johnston's). We typically will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. All moms are welcome to join us. We do ask that you let us know you are coming so we have enough materials for all moms. Please contact Elizabeth Johnston at 260-223-1139 or email her at suburbanbethlehemops@gmail.com for more information.

SBL Kid's Korner

Aka Sunday School

All children 2 years old thru 5th grade are welcome. Please bring your children to the gym between 9:15 and 9:30 on Sunday. Then pick them up at 10:20. We need middle school leaders. We have a leader for middle school on 10-15 & 10-29 only. Please consider picking a Sunday each month to help these kids grow in faith. Contact Pastor Alex.

**Have a great
weekend! Worship
your Lord!**