



BITS & BARKS



SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

November 9, 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- 11/13/17-11/17/17

Monday-Breaded chicken

sandwich, baked beans, romaine salad , pears ; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

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

Wednesday- Walking taco, corn, peaches; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Thursday-Ham and cheese sub, French fries, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, raisins ; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Friday-Cheese stuffed crust pepperoni pizza, mixed vegetables, romaine salad, fruit cocktail; 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: **Charliann Zolman, Grayson McEowen, Kaitlyn Mertens, Trace Merritt, Matthew Nichols, William Pipenger, Kate Griewank, Cailee Lolmaugh, Nick Mueller, Sydney Reynolds, Samantha Hoffman, Grace Belschner and Mrs. Adele Dittmer.**

From the Desk of the Principal

From *Reading Connection* Publication

Writing that makes sense

As your child first learns to write, his stories may not always make sense to others. His words may even be confusing because he is using his own creative spelling. That is ok. Help his writing flow logically with these ideas.

1. Even if your youngster isn’t writing perfect sentences just yet, he can share his ideas in written form. Encourage him to write words as he sees them. Encourage him to tell you the stories if he needs to. But encourage him to compose. Have him write about a new activity in the classroom or something funny that happened at lunch. Describe putting things in a logical order so when he

puts his thoughts down on paper it makes sense.

2. Let your child read his stories to you. Ask questions to encourage him to add information or clear up a confusing part.

You might be amazed at what your child can write at an early age.

Advent Services

Beginning December 6th, and for the following two Wednesday evenings, our SBLS students will be leading the advent worship service at SBLC. Our church has committed all of the undesignated plate offerings from those three services to go toward our tuition assistance matching endowment grant. Please consider how you can help others through your contribution.

November/December Chapel Project

For many years our school has selected the Food Bank at St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church on Goshen Road as our chapel project for the months of November and December. Over the years our students have collected many food and clothing items and donated lots of money to support the needy in this area. We are doing that again this year. During the months of

November and December we will be collecting food items, new or gently used winter clothing, and money for the food bank. **Pastor Henderson told us in chapel that the need is growing every year. Kids are in great need of winter outerwear. How can you and your family help them?**

Our 7th grade students will be delivering the food to St. Matthew's before Christmas Break. They will also stock shelves and help in various ways that morning. Please pray for this project and also feel invited to support it through your own gifts.

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

Afternoon Latchkey on 11-10

On Friday, November 10th, students in afternoon latchkey will initially meet in the commons for check in, then will move to the Library (mobile modular trailer), on the upper parking lot due to the Girls basketball tournaments. Please make arrangements to pick up your child there. Mark your calendars now.

Kindergarten 2018-19

Yes, we are already making preparations for the next kindergarten class. We are now in the process of collecting names and mailing addresses for children in that age group. We are looking for children who have a birth date prior to August 1, 2013 who might be interested in attending SBLS. Please take the time now to call the school office with the names of children that should be included on our mailing list for Kindergarten Round-Up on Sunday, January 21, 2018.

Pre K, K and 1st Grade SBL Students... Sing this Sunday, November 12th at 8:00 a.m. Parents, please have your SBL students at the 8:00am worship service at SBL on Sunday November 12th. The teachers will call the students up to the front of the church during the worship service to sing.

Health Occupation Students of America Club

Are you aware of a vocational youth club called HOSA? This organization provides opportunities to students to learn about different health careers, encourages development of health-related skills, and promotes leadership and speaking skills. In the past it has been open to high school students. Indiana is now adding a middle school division. CLHS is sponsoring a middle school club for area Lutheran school students and our 6-8 graders are invited to join. Meetings will be held monthly on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 at CLHS. Mrs. Crystal Castleman, a teacher at CLHS, is the sponsor. You may contact her at 260-483-1102 x 304 or at ccastleman@clhscadets.com for further information. Membership deadline is December 12, 2017.

Beginning Band Rehearsals and Concert

Beginning band rehearsal is on Monday, November 13th from 6-7pm in the CLHS band room. On Thursday, November 16th rehearsal for the Concert is at 6:30 p.m. in the CLHS auditorium. The Concert follows at 7:00 p.m.

Intermediate and Advanced Band Students Rehearsals and Concert

Students will rehearse on Tuesday, November 14th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the CLHS band room. On Thursday November 16th rehearsal will be from 8:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the band room. On Saturday, November 18th the students will perform in the Winter Concert with CLHS in the CLHS auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

Strings Concert Tonight

Tonight, Thursday, November 9th at 7:00p.m. all string students will perform in a strings concert at CLHS in the auditorium.

Basketball

JV

11-13 Monday @ H v Zion – Decatur

Girls 4:15; Boys 5:30

11-15 Wed @ Concordia

Girls 4:15; Boys 5:30

Varsity

11-10, 11, & 12 Girls SBL Tournament

11-16 Thurs @ H vs Woodburn

Girls 4:15; Boys 5:30

SBLS Gym Closed During Christmas Break

We want everyone to be aware that our gymnasium will be closed during the two weeks of Christmas Break. As part of our ongoing improvement plan we will be adding a fresh coat of paint and maybe an additional logo as well.

Please note that no one will be able to use the gym for practices or activities during this two-week (Dec. 21-Jan.2) time frame.

Spirit Wear

The SBL PTO is including in this weeks' Bits and Barks a Spiritwear order blank. Please fill out the form, attach your check or cash to the order form and turn it in to the school office on or before November 20th. This should guarantee delivery of the items before December 20th.

Graft Basketball

Scholarship

With basketball season here, this is an opportune time to mention the Graft Basketball Scholarship.

A scholarship to support SBLS male and female athletes in our own basketball program was established in memory of Don & Sue Graft. Mr. & Mrs. Graft had a passion for basketball. Mr. Graft coached at Suburban Bethlehem for over 40 years. This memorial fund was established to help children who might not otherwise be able to afford participation in our own school program, a shooting/skills camp, or other school-related programs in Northeast Indiana. This scholarship is operated through the School Ministry Board and can supply funds to aid students according to their financial need, up to 50% of the cost of these programs. Those in need and interested in applying for this financial help should speak with Mr. Brune to request an application.

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