



BITS & BARKS



SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

February 8, 2018

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.”

Hot Lunch = \$2.80

Reduced Lunch = \$0.40

Milk = \$0.35

Lunch Menu-February 12-16

Monday- Cheeseburger sandwich, green beans, romaine lettuce salad, applesauce

Tuesday- Meatballs, mashed potatoes and gravy, dinner roll, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, peaches

Wednesday-Breaded chicken sandwich, baked beans, romaine lettuce salad, pears

Thursday-Chicken tacos, corn, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, pineapple

Friday-No school = Teachers In-Service Day

Yogurt and cheese stick may be substituted as main dish any day!

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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: **Paisley Nichols, Silus Garner,**

Ethan Yoder, Carter Johnson, Noah Felger, Brody Goheen, Blake Perl, Isaac Jomo, Laney Gerardot, Veda Null, Dylan Hinton, Kendell Brooks, and Mrs. Patty Macke.

From the Desk of the Principal

While we have had a larger than typical amount of illness this week, it has not been in excess of the mandatory percentage (20%) for reporting school illness to Health Department or Indiana DOE.

Yet, this is the perfect time to remind you, as I have done the past few weeks with the kids at school, about good prevention actions. The biggest factor is to **wash your hands, wash your hands, and wash your hands.**

Covering your cough and using hand sanitizer are also high on that list. Finally, if your child has been sick, be sure to keep him/her home until after 24 hours of being fever free. Remember, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure! Stay healthy!

LEEP

The LEEP registration form AND payment is due by no later than 3:00 p.m. next Monday, February 12th. Some classes have been filled to capacity. Students who have registered by the deadline will receive an envelope of information NEXT week, Feb. 15th, in the Family Folder. That will include what classes your child did get into and other information about locations and times.

Please note that we are trying very hard to foresee the many challenges of starting a new program and are working very hard to make it run as smooth as possible. Please be patient.

“Leggo of Old Legos”

As part of the LEEP program, we are collecting Legos. If your children have outgrown playing with Legos, please consider donating them to the LEEP program. Drop off any donations to the School Office by February 21st. Any questions, contact Krista Griewank at 417-2838. Thank you in advance for any donations. We

cannot wait to see what the LEEP Lego Club participants build!

February Chapel Project

For the month of February we are supporting Bethania Kids Orphanage in India as our monthly project. Mr. Art Schroeder, an active supporter of Bethania Kids, was our guest at chapel this week to share news of this ministry. 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.

February Baptismal Birthday Celebration

We will celebrate February Baptisms and Dedications next Wednesday, February 14. Please feel invited to join us.

February 19 Make-up Day

Due to the cancellation of school on Friday, January 12, we now have to use our first make-up snow day as a day for classes. That will be on President's Day, Monday, February 19.

Registration Time for 2018-2019 School Year

Please find enclosed in your family folder a re-enrollment packet. Please fill out 1) Current Enrollment form, 2) Sign and date Our Covenant for Christian Education form, and 3) if you are a member of SBLC sign and date A Commitment to be a Worshiping Family. Return the signed forms with your \$25.00 down payment for each student to the school office before Feb. 26th. I pray that no students will be leaving our school

family for the next school year. However if this is the case please let me know so that I am able to plan with correct class counts. Any questions please call, text or fastdirect Patty Macke. Thank you!

Band

Rehearsals and Concert Date

Beginning

Tuesday, February 20, 6-7 p.m.
CLHS band room

Intermediate and Advanced

Thursday March 8, 8:00 a.m. -10:45 a.m. CLHS band room **Please note that the band program will provide bus transportation back to SBLS at the end of the rehearsal.**

All Bands, Beginning Intermediate and Advanced: Almost Spring Concert Thursday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. CLHS Auditorium

ISSMA Competition

A big "congratulations" goes out to Natalie Linnemeier, Samantha Hoffman, and Hannah Quinn who each earned a gold rating at last Saturday's ISSMA Vocal Solo contest! Being their first time singing a solo for contest, they performed very well! They each sang a short song that was judged for a ranking; gold, silver, or bronze. Thank you, ladies for competing in the contest last Saturday and for representing SBL.

Latchkey

Donations of DVD children's movies are needed in latchkey. Please drop them off in the school office or at morning or afternoon latchkey. Thank you.

ISTEP Testing Dates

Yes, that time is getting closer once again. In an effort to help our students do their very best (make-up testing rarely produces a child's

best results) we want to give you an early notification of the test window for ISTEP testing. Please avoid all unnecessary absences during these times.

Grade 3-8 ISTEP I Feb 26-Mar 8
Grade 3 IREAD-3 March 12 - 16
Grade 3-8 ISTEP II Apr 16-May 4

Tax Time

If you are itemizing your federal or state deductions and need a receipt from SBLS for latchkey, tuition or registration fees for calendar year 2017, please contact the school office by fast direct. We are happy to print the receipt for your records.

Pre-K & Nursery Needs

Please save your 1 lb plastic containers for Mrs. Hobbs. She needs cottage cheese, butter and sour cream containers. Thanks!

Tickets now on Sale!

Mother & Son Event
"Super Moms and Sons"
Saturday February 17, 2018
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Volunteers needed!
Contact Bethany Carter 260-740-8200 or Stefanie Umberg 260-452-8437 for volunteer opportunities or questions.

Couples Date Night!

Moms and dads, are you looking for some quiet time? Drop the kids off at the SBL Commons for free childcare, and go on a date! February 24, 2018 from 4-8 p.m., your family ministry team will engage the kids in fun activities while you enjoy date night. This was very popular a year ago and we're happy to bring it back again this year. Spots are limited so RSVP to the church office, or Deb Myers at 260-413-8624 now!

Box Tops Are Needed

Please continue to bring in your Box Tops for Education. We will be sending in another batch of box tops around the 18th of February.

The Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran School and Church Annual Live & Silent

Auction to be held Saturday March 17, 2018 at the Allen County Fairgrounds. Join us for an evening of fellowship! Praise music provided by Redeemed. Silent auction will begin when the doors open at 6:00. Live auction will begin at approximately 7:00. ADULTS ONLY! (Must be 21 years-old to attend). No admission cost! Complimentary popcorn and desserts. Nacho bar and drinks available for purchase. Donations of NEW items or gift cards are currently being accepted. Auction profits will go towards purchasing educational supplies and equipment for our school along with furnishings and equipment for new classrooms! If you have any questions please contact Angie at 710-5558 or Carrie at 760-7358. You can find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/BulldogAuction. Items to be auctioned off will be posted on Facebook between now and the auction. Volunteers Needed - There are many ways to be a part of the auction! If you are interested in helping in the weeks leading up to the auction or the day/night of, please contact Carrie (760-7358) or Angie (710-5558)

SBL 59th Annual Fish Fry and Bake Sale is this Saturday, February 10th

4-7 p.m.

The Bake Sale will include homemade baked goods, noodles and apple dumplings with sauce. Stop by the bake sale for your dessert after your fish dinner.

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Fish Fry Volunteering

Saturday, February 10. Please sign up for one (or more!) of the following shifts:

4:00-6:00 5:00-7:00 6:00-8:00

We will meet in the Kindergarten hallway. Thank you for your help in serving the school, church, and surrounding community with this great event! Please sign up in the back of church, school commons, or contact: Pastor Alex – 260.484.7873

Kayli Greener - 260.438.6361

Kelsey Greener - 260.438.3874

SBL Youth

Ice Skating Trip

All 5th -12th graders are invited.

Join us for a thrilling afternoon enjoying a Fort Wayne tradition at Headwaters Park. Cost is \$5 to skate and \$2. To rent skates. Hot chocolate, snacks fun, fellowship, and maybe a few bruises...will be provided for free.

Sunday February 18th

3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

We will meet at and leave from SBL Commons. Please sign up in the back of church or school commons, or contact: Pastor Alex 260.484.7873, Kayli Greener 260.438-6361 or Kelsey Greener 260.438.3874.

Have a Great weekend! Worship Our Lord.