

BITS & BARKS



SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

April 12, 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- April 16-20 Monday-Nachos, green beans, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, peaches

Tuesday-Fish sandwich, baked beans, romaine lettuce salad, pineapple

Wednesday-Chicken nuggets, corn, romaine lettuce salad, applesauce Thursday- BBQ ribette sandwich, sweet potato fries, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, mixed fruit Friday- No School unless we have to cancel classes prior to today.

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: Ian Galbreath, Beatrice Merritt, Jace Nichols, Alexis Sklenar, Simon

Stoops, Johnny Schnelker, Ryan Cripe, Ciara Clifford, Hannah Quinn, Elliott Ferraro, Aiden Johnson, Chesney Thomas and Mr. Justin Hoffman.

From the Desk of the Principal

Nursery & Pre-k Parents

First, may I say that the collection of fees from pre-school families has been an overall easy task once again this year. Most of you have been very faithful in making your payments on time. **Thank you very much!** As a result of that, I don't think the following is of much concern. Yet, I need to make sure there are no miscommunications.

Throughout the year, tuition is due on the first of each month. The final payment, due on May 1, is not allowed to go past due further than 15 days. On the 16th day of May any child who is not current on all fees will not be allowed to continue in attendance. While it would be very sad for us to see your child not complete the school year, we find a financial responsibility to collect all fees before the school year is over. Please make note of this policy and

plan your payments accordingly.

April/May Chapel Project

For the months of April & May we are supporting The Liberian Children's Ministry as our monthly project. Joe Boway will be with us on May 2 at chapel to share what is happening in these schools in Liberia. Please pray for this ministry supporting 10 Lutheran schools.

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

May/June/July Baptismal Birthday Celebration

We will be celebrating the May, June & July Baptismal Birthdays and dedications at chapel on Wednesday, May 9. Parents and other friends and/or family members are invited to attend.

Honor Roll Breakfast

The Honor Roll Breakfast is on Thursday, April 19th at 7:00 a.m. in the school commons. Qualifying 5th-8th grade students were sent invitations and have all sent in their RSVP.

8th Grade Graduation We have now scheduled 8th Grade graduation for Wednesday, May 30th @ 7:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT SBLS Financial Aid for 2018-19

Every year we have some money available from our own school tuition assistance funds. These funds are distributed based solely on financial need of the recipient. We are no longer using Private School Aid Service. Those who want to apply, fill out an application that you receive from the school office. There is no longer an application fee either.

This must be received in our office by May 25, 2018. While a small amount of funds may be available at a later date the majority of our assistance is designated to those who meet the May 25 deadline Our **SBLS** Finance Committee will evaluate the applications for need and award funds according to those most in need. Please contact Mrs. Macke in the school office for an application.

Lutheran School Music & Art Festival

The annual TLSP Music & Art Festival is scheduled for Sunday, April 22 at CLHS. Artwork of many students will be on display from 1:00-3:30 in the gymnasium area. Selected students from each of our classes will have artwork on display at this event. A vocal concert, in which our own Jr. Chorale will participate along with our intermediate and advanced band members, is set for 2:00 pm in the chapel/auditorium. All are invited to experience the talents and gifts of these young people.

Last call for Registration 2018-2019 School Year

If you have not returned your registration forms, please bring them to the office ASAP. If you need the forms, Call, Text, Email, or just stop by and ask for them.

IF your student will not be attending SBLS next year, or you think they may not, please let me know ASAP. 260-403-0718 use this # anytime Patty Macke. Thank you!

Next Friday, April 20th is the final scheduled makeup day. There will be no school that day <u>UNLESS</u> we have to cancel classes prior to that date.

ISTEP Testing Dates

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 notification of the final test window for ISTEP testing. Please avoid all unnecessary absences during these times.

Grade 3-8 ISTEP II Apr 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, & 25.

Band Rehearsals and Concert Dates

Beginning Band

Rehearse: Monday April 23, 6-7 pm

CLHS Band Room

Rehearse: Monday May 7, 6-7 pm

CLHS Band Room

May Concert Saturday May 12, 6:00

p.m. CLHS Auditorium

Intermediate and Advance Bands

Fine Arts Festival Concert Sunday April 22, Rehearse at 1:00 and concert at 2:00 p.m. CLHS Gym

Rehearse: Thursday May 3, 7-8:30

p.m. CLHS Band Room

Rehearse: Thursday, May 10, 8 - 10:45 a.m. CLHS Band Room

May Concert, Saturday May 12 at 6:00 p.m. CLHS auditorium

Flaugh & Bass Road Intersection Closing Soon

You may have heard that construction on Bass Road continues this Spring. This may directly impact some of our families that travel to SBL from that direction. The Allen County Highway Dept. (thanks Rob) reports that this intersection will be closing approximately April 16th and will remain closed for 95 days. You may want to plan your alternate route early.

Yearbook

The deadline to order a yearbook has passed. If you would like us to put your name on a list, in case LifeTouch sends extra yearbooks, please send in \$15.00 per yearbook. I will return your money if we do not receive extra copies.

School Children's Flower and Vegetable Association

Chairperson(s) needed for next school year to oversee the distribution of plants and seeds to students in the spring. Then, in the Fall, set up a plant show here at school. Training will be available. Let the school office know if you are interested.

TinCaps Reading Program

If your child earned a voucher from the TinCaps Reading Program, **you** must mail in your order.

VBS Needs Seashells

Seashells are needed for a craft project during VBS. Bring the shells to the school office, or give them to Nancy Johnston before or after school in the school commons. Thank you.

Box Tops

Please continue to save Box Tops. Please bring them to the school office. Thank you.

Pulled Pork Dinner for Washington DC Trip

This Sunday April 15th. Serving times are 10:30 until 1:00 p.m. in the SBLS commons. This is a dine-in or carryout event. The meal costs \$8.00 per meal. The meal includes pulled pork, potatoes, and a roll.

Family Game Night This

Saturday, April 14th
SBL School Commons
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Pizza and snacks
Free will donation

SBL Youth

Visit Camp Lutherhaven

Calling all 5th -12th grade youth and their families. Join us 9-2 p.m. on April 21st for a service opportunity at Camp Lutherhaven 1596 South 150 West, Albion, Indiana 46701. We will be helping with various outdoor needs to get their grounds ready for the summer. Feel free to meet us there at 9:00. If you would like to carpool, we will be leaving from the SBL commons at 8:30. After we finish working at 2:00 we will be returning to SBL around 2:30. Please bring: water, work gloves and rakes. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up in the back or church or in the commons or contact Pastor Alex 260.484.7873, 260.438-6361, Kavli Kelsev 260.438.3874

ALSO

SBL Youth Movie Night

Friday, April 27, 5:30-8:30 p.m. SBLS Commons/Gym Join us for movie night. Hot dogs, popcorn and drinks will be provided. Bring a friend and a snack to share. All 5th-12th graders are invited. Please sign up in the back of church, school commons or contact: Pastor Alex 260.484.7873, Kayli 260.438-6361, Kelsey 260.438-3874.

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study:

8-9:30am, in the school library (aka mobile trailer). Please join us. If you have questions, please call Diana Taylor at (260)413-8157.

Have a Great Weekend! Worship Our Lord!