

BITS & BARKS



SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

May 10, 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- May 14-18 **Monday**-Breaded chicken sandwich, cheesy potatoes, romaine lettuce, peaches

Tuesday-Sloppy joe, baked beans, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, pears

Wednesday-Chicken fettuccine alfredo, green beans, breadstick, romaine lettuce, mandarin oranges Thursday-Pepperoni French bread pizza, corn, romaine lettuce, mixed fruit

Friday-Chicken strips, tater tots, strawberries and blueberries, brownie

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: All Boys in Nursery and Pre K, Kaidence Taylor, Linkoln Boatwright, Macy Becerra, Kayley Bill, Jenna Akey, Ava Johnson, Collin Johnson, Eli Yarnelle, Addison Myers, Dakota Hitzemann, Kayla Hough and Mr. John Yarnelle.

From the Desk of the Principal

Thank you!

On behalf of the staff, I want to say a special "thank you" to the PTO and all the parents who helped supply meals, snacks, treats, and showed your love for our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week. The notes and cards from students and parents meant so much as well. It is so important that we all feel like we are working together for the benefit of our children. One way you always show that is through your outpouring of love and concern for each and every one of our staff. Thank you to every one of you. And I want to add a special note to Carrie Johnson, as the head of PTO. It takes a leader to start the ball rolling. Thank you Carrie!

This Mother's Day, shop for Mom at smile.amazon.com/ch/35-1058101 and Amazon donates to Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Special Car Line Event Coming

At this year's SBL Auction those attending purchased a special **Car Line Dance**. This will be happening on Friday, May 11. A rain date for this will take place on Friday, May 18. Be aware that car line may take longer than usual. This is a once in a lifetime event where you will see teachers, pastors, and principal happily dance your children into the cars! Don't miss it! Car line begins with dismissal at 2:45.

FYI

This is a friendly reminder that a copy of our policies and plans mandated by various State and Federal government agencies to be available for parents to see are posted on both our SBLS website as well as our Fast Direct site. These include but are not limited to our Seclusion and Restraint Plan, Indoor Air Quality Plan, Wellness Plan, and Medication Policy. If you have any questions/concerns or want to give further input please contact Mr. Brune for more information.

Attention Nursery & Pre-k Parents

Your final pre-school payment for the month of May must be made before your pre-k student (4s) attends class on Wednesday, May 16 or nursery student (3s) attends school on Thursday, May 17.

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. We do not have any tuition assistance available for preschool. While it would be very sad for us to see your child not complete the school year, we have a financial responsibility to collect all fees before the school year is over.

If you have any special circumstances please give Mr. Brune a call. Thank you very much.

April/May Chapel Project

For the months of April & May we are supporting The Liberian Children's Ministry as our monthly

project. Joe Boway was with us on Wednesday at chapel to share what is happening in these schools in Liberia. Please pray for this ministry supporting 10 Lutheran Liberian schools.

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

Lost & Found

Please stop by the lost and found table and claim your items.

Thank you.

MUFFINS WITH MOMS!

It is ALL About You Moms! Take a short break from your crazy schedule to join your kid or kids for a little "mom time" on Thursday, May 10 from 7:00am to 7:45am. Sit down and enjoy some muffins and small conversation. Muffins with Mom are sponsored by the PTO.

Yes, there is latchkey available on the last afternoon of school!

Reminder for 8th Grade Parents

Graduation is closing in. The big day is almost here. I am guessing the elementary years have flown by and that you can't imagine that high school is right around the corner. I know you are proud of your son or daughter, as you should be. Congratulations!

I want to make sure you are aware of the school policy assuring that all fees must be paid before 8th graders are allowed to walk in the

graduation ceremony on May 30. Please be sure to contact the school office to inquire about any outstanding fees that you may still owe

FREE Sports Physicals Monday May 21st from 3-6 p.m. in the commons

Free Sports Physicals will be offered to SBLC and SBLS students and siblings 4th grade -11th grade. Parents **must** accompany the student and have the sports physical form filled out <u>before</u> having the physical. Please pick up the form outside the school office.

Adult volunteers are needed. Please call Patty Willyard at 247.0788 or Teresa Haag at 385.6689 to volunteer.

End of Year Activities 2018

The staff is again planning some end of the year activities for students. The following is a list of activities and dates to look forward to.

May 11 Lutheran Kindergarten Field Day in morning @ CLHS

May 18 VIP Day in morning May 18 @ 6:30 p.m. Upper Grade

Musical
May 29 @10:00 a.m. Field Day

May 29 @ 1:30 Yearbook Signing Party in gym

May 30 @ 9:00 a.m. Awards Program in gym

May 30 @ 1:00 Pre-K Graduation in gym

May 30 @ 2:00 p.m. Closing Service

May 30 @ 7:00 p.m. 8th Grade Graduation

Summer Schedule at SBLS

As we prepare for a change of pace with summer right around the corner, we take this opportunity to remind you that the school office staff takes off for a bit of welldeserved rest and time to recharge their batteries as well. Yet, we try to assure that we stagger that time so that someone is available to man the office most days. Even though we often are in school before or after office hours, during the summer the official time we try to make sure someone is available is from 9:00 until 2:00 p.m. It is always the best practice for you to call and make sure someone will be here before you stop in.

Final Report Cards

The end of the year report cards will be sent via mail to all families who have no outstanding fees, library books, or invoices remaining due. The plan is to put them in the US Mail on June 11. If you owe any fees or fines, you will need to come to the office or call 483-9371 between 9am and 2pm with your credit card number, before your report cards can be released. May latchkey invoices will be finalized by Monday June 4th.

Summer Worship

Summer is fast approaching. We want to take this opportunity to remind you how important it is for us to worship together as a body of With Christ. various summer schedules, vacation travel, and changes from the routine, it takes a little more purpose to make sure we, the members of SBLC, worship together here at SBL. Yet, it is very important for all of us to be together as God's children. We urge you to make a commitment to be in church on a regular basis. Show your children that you feel very strongly about the commitment we all make to worship together. See you in church this summer.

1st Annual SBLS Student Band Music Recital Conce

6:30 p.m. on Thursday May 10th in the Church Sanctuary.

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 applications for need and award funds according to those most in need. Please contact Mrs. Macke in the school office for an application.

Very Important Person Day

Kindergarten through 8th grade students are encouraged to invite **ONE** special adult to share the school morning and to eat lunch with them. This takes place on Friday, May 18th from 7:55 until after lunch. Please send the payment for the adult lunches with the reservation form before May 11th. Thank you.

That evening is also the upper grade musical, *Pirates of the "I Don't Care"-ibbean*.

The presentation starts at 6:30 p.m. There is plenty of room to invite all your family and friends to this event. We hope to see you there.

Band Rehearsals and Concert Dates

May Concert is this Saturday May 12, @6:00 p.m. CLHS Auditorium

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.

Don't like to stand in line at Back-to-School Night?

Mrs. Macke and Mrs. Blessing have the solution. Come visit us or call us with your credit card over the summer and pay your August/ September 2018-2019 fees in advance. We will also have late hours available for you to come in to the office and make payments prior to Back-to-School night. Office hours this summer will be 9:00-2:00 and on the following days we will have extended hours. Also please feel free to call us if you need a different time during the week before school starts and we will be happy to arrange a time to meet with you.

Wednesday August 1^{st} 9am - 7pmThursday August 2^{nd} 9am - 7pmMonday August 6^{th} 9am - 5pm

By the way, mark your calendar: Back-to-School night is Wednesday August 8, 2018 @ 6:30p.m.