



BITS & BARKS



SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

May 17, 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 21-30

Monday-Grilled chicken sandwich, baked beans, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, peaches

Tuesday-Nachos, peas and carrots, raw broccoli with ranch dip, mixed fruit

Wednesday-Clean out the freezer day, assorted sandwiches and pizza, romaine lettuce, fruit

Thursday- Cheeseburger sandwich, corn, raw baby carrots with ranch dip, grapes

Friday-Ravioli, green beans, breadstick, pears

Monday - No school Memorial Day

Tuesday-Ham and cheese sub, broccoli and carrots, fruit slushie

Wednesday-Walking Taco, corn, fruit

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 Girls in Nursery and Pre K, Ethan Yoder, Jared Confer, Abram Brown, Ian Bricker, All Girls in 3rd grade, Isaac Jomo, Cailee Lolmaugh, Luke Yarnelle, Abbey Norris, All Girls in 7th grade, Evelyn Kidd and Mr. Rob Myers.**

From the Desk of the Principal

Future of 8th Grade Class Trip
For the past month we have been trying to seek input from 6th-7th grade parents regarding their thoughts on keeping the Washington, D.C. Trip an 8th grade trip or combining it with 7th graders. At this point we do not see making a change, in how we do that trip, to be a positive one.

After meeting with those parents and seeking further input, we will be keeping the D.C. Trip as it has been in the past. One key factor seems to be getting your child started on fund-raising as soon as possible. So let's get to work.

April/May Chapel Project

For the months of April & May we are supporting The Liberian Children's Ministry as our monthly project. Recently, Joe Boway was 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.

Very Important Person Day Friday May 18th

Kindergarten through 8th grade students are encouraged to invite **ONE** special adult to share the school morning and to eat lunch.

This takes place, tomorrow Friday, May 18th from 7:55 until after your students lunch period.

Tomorrow 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.

Lost & Found

**Please stop by the lost and found table or bins and claim your items.
Thank you.**

*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.

IREAD-3 Results

We recently were informed that all of our 3rd grade students passed the IREAD-3 test given in March. We are blessed in that all of our students have been able to pass the IREAD-3 since it began.

We congratulate all our students, parents, and teachers for all the hard work involved in this accomplishment.

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 before having the physical. Please pick up the form outside the school office.

Adult volunteers are needed. Please call 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 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 well-deserved 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.

Yearbook

Life touch has sent us a few extra yearbooks. If you would like to purchase a yearbook, please bring in your \$15.00 to the school office. First come, first served. Thank you.

PTO

Meeting

We will be having our PTO wrap up meeting on Thursday, May 24th at 8:00 am in the commons. We will talk about the things we accomplished and discuss some exciting things to come. If you haven't joined us before, please consider coming! This is a great way to meet and connect with other SBLs families. Younger siblings are always welcome. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 760-7358 or via fast direct. Hope to see you on the 24th!
Carrie Johnson

Fall Festival Chairperson Needed

The School Ministry Board is searching for an individual or individuals to take the leadership of the annual Fall Festival, tentatively scheduled for Saturday October 13, 2018. If no one steps up to lead this event, the SMB will make a decision in June whether they feel this event can move forward. If you are willing to serve in this capacity, please contact Mr. Justin Hoffman, SMB Chairman.

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 Christ. With 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.

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.

Little Disciples Summer Day Camp

Exciting things are happening this summer at Little Disciples Summer Day Camp! All children ages 4-12 are personally invited to attend. Camp begins June 6th and goes through August 3rd. All details are included in the attached flyer. Registration forms can be found on the church website at <http://deeplyrootedtogrow.org/ministries/summer-day-camp/>. Call Rachel Gillespie at 750-7496 with any questions.

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

We have started a new book, Embraced, 100 devotions to know God is holding you close, by Lysa Terkeurst. Meet us in the school library on Wednesdays through May 30th 8-9:30 a.m. Starting June 6th we will meet at Buckner Park at 10:30a.m. Our kids can play while we study. After bible study, you are welcome to bring a picnic lunch to share with the group of adults/children you came with and enjoy the playground and splash pad. If it's raining, we will meet at Jefferson Mall in the kids play area. Questions, text or call Diana Taylor 260.413.8157

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 1st 9am – 7pm

Thursday August 2nd 9am – 7pm

Monday August 6th 9am – 5pm

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

Survey

If you haven't already, would you please take a few minutes to take this survey it would be greatly appreciated. You can access the survey at this link www.surveymonkey.com/r/SBLSparentsurvey The survey will be turned off on June 8th. Thank you, SBL School Ministry Board

**Have a Great Weekend!
Worship Our Lord!**