



BITS & BARKS

SUBURBAN BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

September 27, 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- 10/2/2017-10/6/2017

Monday-BBQ ribette sandwich, green beans, raw baby carrots w/ranch dip, pears, milk; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Tuesday-Cavatini, peas, romaine salad, breadstick, peaches, milk; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Wednesday- Chicken tacos, refried beans, raw baby carrots w/ranch dip pineapple, milk; OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Thursday- Chicken nuggets, French fries, raw baby carrots w/ranch dip, mandarin oranges, OR yogurt and cheese stick as main dish

Friday-Cheese pizza, corn romaine salad, fruit cocktail, milk; 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: **Edden Carter, Grace Confer, Lyndon Gerardot & Dexter Schaefer, Abby Hoffman, Hailey Dukes, Brody Goheen, Blake Perl, Jeremiah Frederick, Laney Gerardot, Thomas Kidd, Aiden Johnson, Natalie Linnemeier, Carmen Cleaveland**

From the Desk of the Principal

From Home & School Connection Conversations About School

When you think of parent involvement, do you picture moms and dads volunteering in classrooms? That's one way to help—but research shows that supporting your child's education at home is even more important. Here are conversation starters that will help you stay involved.

"Let's see what you brought home." Look at completed work to find out what your youngster is learning and how well she's doing. You could comment on her math work or social studies project, for instance. Also, respond to notes from her teacher, and sign her

weekly folder or daily planner if required.

"Show me what you have for homework." It's your child's job to do her homework, but you play a role, too. Make sure she knows what she's supposed to do by having her explain the assignments to you. After she finishes her homework, glance over the work to see that it's complete.

"Describe a book you enjoyed today." This gives you an idea what your youngster prefers to read. Then, build a daily reading habit by asking what she'd like to read tonight. Encourage her reading and listening skills by reading aloud to her and letting her read to you.

"Tell me what you learned that you'd like to know more about." Use her interests as jumping-off points for activities to share. If she likes geometry, you might hunt for shapes together. If she's fascinated by how animals adapt to winter, take her to the library to research the subject or to the zoo to see live animals.

Other after-school questions might be...

What's the coolest thing that happened today?

Pretend you are the teacher. How would you describe the day?

What made you laugh?

What was the most creative thing you did?

How were you kind or helpful today? Was anyone kind or helpful to you?

School Picture Re-Take...

day is scheduled for Friday, October 6 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The photographer will be here only as long as it takes to get all re-takes shot. Any parent who would like their child's picture re-taken must send in the original package with their child that day to give to the photographer and they will then re-shoot the child's picture.

August/September Chapel Project

Our first chapel project of the year is the Immeasurably More Building Campaign here at SBL. **Last week's contributions put us over the \$1000.00 mark for a running total of \$1049.56. We have reached our goal. Keep giving! This week is the final opportunity to give to this for the chapel project.**

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

October Chapel Project - Hurricane Relief Assistance

Our October chapel offering will aid hurricane relief for Luther Academy South School in Houston, Texas. They received extensive flood damage from the Hurricane Harvey last month. When they assessed their needs they found the following:

* Extensive building damage making it unusable for a month with construction continuing until January 2018. The entire student body has been temporarily relocated to a nearby church until school buildings are safe to occupy.

* Lost a tremendous amount of classroom and extracurricular

content that will well exceed the insurance coverage.

* Eight staff members were completely flooded out of their homes and have had to relocate.

* Over 40 school families had flood waters in their home with some homes being deemed a complete loss.



Please join with the entire SBL Church & School Family in helping our brothers and sisters in Christ in Houston, Texas. 100% of our chapel offerings will be added to the contributions collected in our church to help these folks recover from this devastating event.

Baptismal Birthday Gifts 2017-18

Each year we celebrate Baptismal/Dedication Birthdays in a monthly chapel service. We also give the celebrants a remembrance of their special day. Mrs. Julie Mueller has done a wonderful job over the past number of years in selecting these remembrances and this year is no different. This year we all receive a hand painted rock with our name and Baptismal dates on them. The rocks are painted in black, white and blue. The black rock signifies our sin. The white represents being clothed in Christ through Baptism. The blue lines represent the water of Baptism. The rocks are all different shapes and sizes because we are all different. But through Baptism, we are all children of God.

October Baptismal and Dedication Birthdays will be celebrated in chapel on October 18th. Please feel invited to join us as we celebrate this gift.

Blue Ribbon Flower Show Participants

Four of our students recently participated in the Fort Wayne Plant and Flower Blue Ribbon Show at McMillan Community Center. Representatives were students from @ 50 area elementary schools. Our representatives and their results are: Christa Linnemeier, Spider Plant, 2nd place.

Brooklynn Norris, Coleus, 2nd place. Brandon Norris, Asparagus Fern, 3rd place.

Hailey Wilson, Umbrella Plant, 3rd place.

Congratulations to these award winners and to all of our student participants in this year's show.

There is no school... on September 28 & 29. The teaching staff will be at the Indiana District Teacher's Conference.

Delay/Cancellation Reminder

As of the last notice, WANE TV 15 is still hosting the text alert service for school cancellations and delays. You can get text alerts regarding school weather information delivered directly to your cell phone. Suburban Bethlehem is listed under our own school name and does not necessarily follow any other specific school system when making delay and closing decisions. Please be alert for further weather considerations.

8th Grade Fund Raiser

We are sponsoring a Fresh Smoked Pulled Pork Dinner. This dinner is scheduled for Sunday, October 8. Serving times are 10:30 – 1:00 in the SBL Commons. This is a Dine In / Carry Out event. The meal costs \$8.00 per meal. The meal includes Pulled Pork – Potatoes – Roll. The students or Mr. Doepner will be selling tickets. The money raised will help these students go to Washington DC.

MOPS/MOMSnext: Journeying through motherhood together:

Are you interested in getting together with other moms for some fellowship and time to unwind? Moms with children from infancy through elementary school, please join us for our next meeting on Thursday, September 28th from 6:15-8:15 (Room 205). We typically will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. All moms are welcome to join us, we just ask that you let us know you are coming so we have enough materials for all moms. Please contact Elizabeth Johnston at 260-223-1139 or suburbanbethlehemops@gmail.com. Let's do motherhood together!

SBL Kid's Korner (aka Sunday School)

All Children 2yrs-5th grade are welcome! Nursery 2-4 years, 5yrs-1st grade, and 2nd-5th grade. Bring your kids to the gym between 9:15-9:30 on Sunday. Then pick them up at 10:20. We need middle school (6-8) leaders. The only dates middle school will be held temporarily with a short term sub are 9/17 and 9/24. Please consider

picking a Sunday each month to help these kids grow in faith.

Contact Pastor Alex.

Coupon Books For Sale

The 8th grade has 8 coupon books for sale. See Mr. Doepner or an 8th grader to buy one. Thanks for your support!

2017 Fall Festival

The SBLC & SBL Fall Festival will be on Saturday, October 14th. Please make sure to mark this on your calendar. Look for information regarding ticket sales and donations in your family folder coming soon. If you enjoy baking, consider bringing in prepackaged treats for the Cake/Cookie walk. The items can be dropped off in the commons on Friday, before or after school, or Saturday morning. Feel free to fast direct Teresa Haag with any questions.

SIGN UP TO HELP, with a game and earn tickets for your family. Look for the sign up sheet on the wall in the commons. Thank you!

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