



ON EAGLE'S WINGS



*Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will **soar on wings like eagles**; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:31*

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Bethany Lutheran School Weekly Notes

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Fries Frame

Every month you're earning money toward your 8th grade tuition! Our loyalty program here holds money in an account for you, and is redeemable your 8th grade year. If you haven't re-enrolled yet for next year, please be sure to do so soon. If you will have an 8th grader, your loyalty discount will be shown on your fee sheet this summer. If you have any questions about next year, please feel free to contact me. We're looking forward to a great year. Last week we published a few of the important dates for next year so that you can start filling in your calendar. Here they are again in case you missed them:

August 3 Registration Day

August 17 First Day (noon dismissal)

Oct 9-11 District Teachers Conference -
NO SCHOOL

Oct 28 School Auction

Nov 3 Grandparents Day
(noon dismissal)

Nov 22-24 Thanksgiving Break -
NO SCHOOL

Dec 20 Christmas Break begins

Jan 4 Students return to school

Thank you Lynn Borkowski!!

Mrs. Borkowski has done a fantastic job filling in for Erin during her maternity leave! Mrs. Bickel returns next week, so be sure to stop by and welcome her back!
Sharon

Note from Lynn

Wow, have I been blessed by all of you! I want to thank you for your prayers and support you all have shared. I've been surrounded by wonderful people and mostly I have sincerely enjoyed your wonderful children. It is bittersweet to go because I won't be able to spend each day with them but my memories of them will last forever. Thank you, Sharon for this blessed opportunity. It has been amazing to work with Mrs. Fries, our fantastic teachers, church staff, MDO/PS, aids, subs, Dave our new facility manager, lunch servers and mostly our dear children! It has filled my heart to get to know all of you better! What a wonderful School & Church we are! On Tuesday, please welcome Erin back into the drivers seat! May God bless all of you today and through the year! I will see you around!
Thanks, Lynn Borkowski

TAX TIME

For those of you needing Bethany's federal tax ID number regarding before/after school care and taxes... it's 48-0814437.



Quiz Bowl Tournament (6th-8th grade)

We are looking forward to hosting a Quiz Bowl Tournament here at **Bethany** on **Tuesday, February 28th!**

"...that where I am, there you may also be." John 14

Spring Music Night

Preschool - 2nd grade
Thursday, March 2nd
6:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to our Spring Music Night!



This will be held in the sanctuary on March 2nd, beginning at 6:30. We'll enjoy songs from our pre-K classes, as well as Kindergarten - 2nd grade.

Kindergarten students should arrive at 6:10 and meet in their classroom. Please wear jeans and a flannel shirt, or any solid color red or blue shirt is fine too.

1st and 2nd grade students should arrive by 6:15 and meet in their classrooms. Please wear dressy/church clothes.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

If you are a Thrivent member, you likely have choice dollars that you can direct to be given to our school.



This is Thrivent's money you are donating - not your own! If you don't have Thrivent, maybe you know someone who does! Dollars must be directed by March 31st for this year. It only takes a couple of minutes! There are two ways to do it:

- Online at www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice OR
- Call 800.847.4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt

Just choose Bethany Lutheran School and you're done!

Singing in Church

Each grade will sing at Bethany one more time this school year. **Once again, please attend if at all possible.** Thanks to all of you who make the amazing effort to do this!! Our congregation truly loves it when the school kids sing.

1st - 4th grade: Kindergarten:
Feb 26th, 8:00 & 9:30 March 26, 11:15
5th-8th grade: April 23 8:00 and 9:30

Re-enrollment

Remember to return your registration form to hold your spot for next year! If you have any questions or need another copy of the form, just contact Sharon or the school office! If you are going to apply for tuition assistance, be sure to have everything submitted online by May 1st. The website is online.factsmgt.com/aid. There is also a one-page hard copy form to complete and return to the school office.

Prayer Families

Please keep the Horn, Mrs. Darby and St. Louis families in your prayers in the coming week.

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Scrip Orders

We will be ordering Scrip cards on the following Mondays this semester:
February 27, March 20, April 3, April 24 and May 15.



Buy SCRIP, earn TUITION!

Thank You Lunch Volunteers!

Feb 21st – Feb 24th Serving Schedule:
February 21: RJ Peterson/Raelene Seymour
February 22: Bryon & Carol Deen
February 23: Raelene Seymour
February 24: Laura Tate

We need help the first week of March the 1st, 2nd & 3rd!



Chapel Offerings

Our chapel offerings for February will go to support the **Chan family**, a former Bethany school family that is currently serving as missionaries in **Tbilisi, Georgia (a country between Turkey and Russia, just north of Iran and Iraq)**. We'll support them with money, basic craft supplies and prayers.

Please help our mission family!

This month our chapel offerings are being collected for the Chan family and their mission work in Tbilisi, Georgia. The Chan kids attended our school before moving overseas. Money collected will be used to buy Bibles for kids and families that they meet. **They also need the following items:**

seasonal stickers

paper bags

popsicle sticks

squiggly eyes

tissue paper

other basic lightweight craft items

They do **NOT** need construction paper, crayons or markers...they have a good supply of those already.

The items listed are not available in stores there - and are a HUGE hit with kids in the local churches and VBS programs. Sending these things to them is the only way they can attain these kind of items.

There is a collection area in the main lower-level school hallway. Please send in items until Spring Break. Thank you!

Eagles

Last Basketball Tournament February 17th -18th



Topeka Lutheran School Invitational
Tournament 7th/8th Teams Only
(Boys & Girls).

It's time for the Spring Label Drive!

At Bethany, we collect (see pictures below):

* **Box Tops for Education**

* **Best Choice Save-A-Label**

* **Tyson Project A+ Labels**

Our official collection campaign this spring will be from now until Monday, February 20, 2017. Many stores like **Walmart and Sam's Club** are featuring

products that have **bonus**

box tops available, so

keep your eyes open on

your next shopping trip!



Thursday morning Bible Study

We have a great group that meets each Thursday morning at 8:30 (after dropping the kids off for school). We are



currently finishing one study and about to begin another one. We'd love for you to join us! We meet in the hearth room (upstairs by the sanctuary). Questions? Feel free to contact Anne Rauth(arauth@gmail.com) or Tammy Songer (tsonger@bethany-joco.org)

Bethany Lutheran Track Team!

Track is open to both boys and girls in grades 4-8. Practices are on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 5:30, and begin after Spring Break. **If you are interested in helping to coach this year, please contact Mrs. Fries.** We need several coaches so we can break into different field event groups. You do NOT need to be an expert - we'll teach you! You just have to be willing to work with kids:) **This year's track meet dates are: April 22 - Alma (MO), April 29 - Hope (SM North), May 6 - Lutheran High (KC,MO)** There will also be two cross country meets held on a weeknight. Those dates still to come. **Track meets run from approx. 9:00-3:30, with kids having events throughout the day. You will need to be available on those Saturdays in order to participate in track**

Winter Sports Pictures and Parties!

(5th-8th grade)

Monday, Feb 27

4:30-5:15 Cheerleading pictures
(party coming after Gathering)

Tuesday, March 7

3:30-5:15 5th-8th Boys
basketball pictures and party

Wednesday, March 8

5:30-7:00 5th-8th Girls
Basketball pictures and party



Picture order forms are coming home today in your envelope. They were also emailed this week, and are available on the table near the front desk. **Please send in your order and payment by Monday, February 27th** if you want to order. Thank you!



Troop 284 Annual Pancake Breakfast!

Saturday, February 18th

7:00am - 1:00pm

Christ Anglican Church / 91st & Nall.

For tickets see:

Trey Borkowski, Evan Hadenfeld or Jameson Rauth!

Bethany Lutheran Preschool
invites you to

One Enchanted Evening

a Daddy-Daughter Dance

Saturday, February 18th

Bethany Lutheran Church and School
Family Life Center

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (up to age 5)

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. (ages 5 and up)

Light refreshments will be served

RSVP by February 13th

913-648-2228 ext.117

Tickets: \$10 per girl
(escort is free)

available in the preschool office



Chess Club



Open to grades 1-8. We're excited that the first session has started! Dates for the rest of the first session are Feb 23 and March 2 (no class on Feb 16th since that is a noon dismissal day for parent-teacher conferences).

Dates for the second session will be April 20, 27, and May 4, 11.

The second session will be during track session (4th-8th graders), so track kids could not participate in that one. Class size will be limited to the first 10 to sign up.

Sign-ups for the second session will come home after Spring Break.

2017 Annual AR Challenge

Began on January 30 and will continue until March 10. Any elementary LCMS school in the United States and Canada that is presently using the Accelerated Reader program may enter the contest. The purpose of this challenge is to provide an incentive and motivation for our children at Lutheran schools to read more, get smarter and have fun! Reading for this contest can occur anywhere the children are - at home, at school, in the car, etc. Points will be reported and standings will change weekly. Our students in grades 2-8 will be competing against classes at their same grade level in schools across the nation to earn the greatest point averages! **Let's Go Readers!!**



Bible Trivia

This Week's Question

Who did Christians in Damascus help escape the city down a wall in a basket?

Last Week's Answer: Josiah (2 Kings 23)