

# BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL WEEKLY NOTE

March 13, 2009



**BASKETBALL:** There is an Away game **TODAY** at Immanuel, Elmhurst. The Girl's Basketball Tournament at Walther Lutheran High School is this weekend. The girl's received a schedule on Thursday. The first game is on **Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**. There will be an Away game on **Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>** at St. John, LaGrange. There will be practice on **Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup>**, from 3:30 until 5:00 pm. There will be a Home game against St. Luke, Itasca on **Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Kattie LeDuc at 708-945-0627.

**YEARBOOK ADS:** Place your \$5 Ad! Yearbook ads or congratulatory notes in business-card size are available for only \$5, but orders must be placed by Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Shabez at 708-453-4398.

**MARKET DAY:** Market Day is here March! Please place your orders online by **Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** or turn the order form in by **Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**. Remember if you order online there are specials, for example, after I placed our order there was a message and we got 10% off our order. Also when three deserts are ordered, you receive an insulated bag. If you can help on pick up day, it would be greatly appreciated! Remember to mark your calendar, pick-up is on **Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**, and if you can not make pick up please make arrangements before that date. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Hug at 847-296-7221

**END OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER:** The quarter ends on **Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**. Report cards will be distributed during parent-teacher conferences in April. Achievement test results will also be available at conferences.

**MEDIEVAL FAIRE:** Attached to this weekly note is a flyer for our Medieval Faire. It will be held on **Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**. We are asking ALL FAMILIES to take this ad to a local store, library, or daycare center and ask if you can post it. We hope many in our community will come to the Faire and learn about Bethlehem.

**MEDIEVAL FAIRE COSTUMES:** Our Medieval Faire is only 2 weeks away! All children are asked to be in costume for both the 10 am and 7 pm events. Ideas for costumes are easy to find online if you search "medieval costumes." Girls can be anything from a peasant girl to a princess. Boys can be peasants, knights, or lords/kings. Invite your friends and families--there will be many activities for children to enjoy.

**MEDIEVAL FAIRE PROPS:** We have a need for a few props for the Medieval Faire. We need 2 dining room chairs with high backs that could be used for thrones. We would also like to borrow any lightweight throw or blanket that looks like tapestry. Would there be anyone who has puppets, particularly a dragon (or has the talent to make one)? If you can help with any of these items, please contact Mrs. Schmeiser AT 708-456-8786, ext. 18.

**PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES:** On **Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Parent-Teacher conferences will be held to discuss student progress and the results of the achievement tests. Please fill out the attached form and return it by Wednesday so that conferences can be scheduled. Thank you for your prompt reply!

**COMPUTERS FOR EDUCATION:** If your child has not brought back his or her booklet with names, please send it in as soon as possible. Last year we were able to get several magazine subscriptions as well as some books for school through this program. The company simply sends a magazine offer to the addresses you give us. Thank you.

**NEW SCHOOL MASCOT:** We have our new school mascot! It is the Bethlehem "Knights." Look for opportunities to purchase school wear with our new logo in the future.

**CHAPEL OFFERING:** Chapel Offering is \$ 23.95. March, April and May recipient to be announced.

**NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS:** This week:

**Kindergarten/Preschool:** The Kindergarteners are continuing to work on sounding out words. The Preschoolers are learning about the colors and reading books about them.

**1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:** The 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are working on their Shurley English and their math problems.

**3<sup>r<sup>d</sup></sup>/4<sup>th</sup>:** In Literature, we have started two new books - one group is reading The Taste of Blackberries and the other group is reading The Enormous Egg. In Geography, we will be starting to learn about Europe. We have talk about our booths for the Medieval Faire. We started working on some of our examples for the displays. 7/8 graders are continuing their preparation for the opera later this month. We are currently listening to the music. 3/4 graders just finished their unit on the instruments and now we will play instrument BINGO to see if they can recognize the instrument by sound, not by sight.

**5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>:** We are enjoying our novel, "The Westing Game". We are trying to figure out who killed Sam Westing. Our book Report due date has been changed to March 20<sup>th</sup>. Good luck to the 5/6 Girl's Basketball team in the Tournament this weekend!

**7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>:** Our 3-D art and string art projects are headed home. The students did a great job on them! Monday their rough draft and note cards are due for their research report. Please help your student memorize their part for our production of Hamlet. I would like their parts memorized by the end of the week.

**SCRIP PROGRAM (Repeat):** Don't forget to get your gas, grocery store and birthday gift cards! Do your shopping with SCRIP! All SCRIP orders are placed weekly. Just place your order on the SCRIP website at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) and get the money to Linda McGinnis! If you are new to the program and need assistance, or have any questions, please contact Linda McGinnis at 708-681-1076.

**BETHLEHEM'S LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE:** During Lent, (2/25 through 4/1/09) there will be Wednesday services at 10:30 am and 7:30 pm. There will also be Lenten Dinners at 6:30 pm on Wednesday evenings. A Free-Will offering will be taken. The Sunday morning schedule for Bethlehem is 8:00 am and 10:30 am worship services, Sunday School for 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade at 9:15 am, and Bible Studies for Adults and Teens at 9:15 am. We invite you to join us, if you don't have a church home of your own.