

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL WEEKLY NOTE

March 6, 2009



SCHOOL CHILDREN SINGING ON SUNDAY: Don't forget that we ask all the children to come to Bethlehem Church on one Sunday each year to sing, and that day is this **Sunday, March 8th**. Please come in school clothes or nicer. Students are asked to sit in the first two rows until they have sung; then they may sit with their parents for the rest of the service. Church begins at 10:30 am.

BASKETBALL: There is an Away game TODAY at Trinity, Burr Ridge. Their address and phone are: Trinity Burr Ridge, 11503 German Church Road, Burr Ridge. 708-839-1444. There will be practice on both **Monday, March 9th** and **Thursday March 12th**, from 3:30 until 5:00 pm. There will be a Home game against St. Paul, Brookfield on **Tuesday, March 10th**. There will be an Away game at Immanuel, Elmhurst on **Friday, March 13th**. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Kattie LeDuc at 708-945-0627.

BETHLEHEM'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Bethlehem will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast and School Open House TOMORROW, **Saturday, March 7th** from 7:00 am until 12:00 noon. Tickets are Adults: \$ 6.00 for pancakes OR Omelets or \$ 10.00 for both. Kids, 12 and under, are \$ 4.00. If you have any questions, or would like to purchase tickets, please contact Peggy Shabez at 708-453-4398.

SPRING PICTURES: Spring pictures will be taken on **Tuesday, March 10th**. As always, students need to be in school uniform when their pictures are done. Group pictures (teams, piano, scouts, etc.) will be taken on **Wednesday, March 11th**.

YEARBOOK PICTURES (REPEAT): We are putting together the yearbook for this school year. If you have good pictures (digital or regular) that could be considered for the yearbook, please get them to Mrs. Shabez as soon as possible. The next Yearbook Staff meeting, for any 7th and 8th grade student that is interested, will be on **Wednesday, March 11th** from 3:30 until 5:00 pm. If you have any questions, call Peggy Shabez at 708-453-4398.

DRESS DOWN DAY: The next "Dress Down Day" will be on **Friday, March 13th**. If your student would like to participate the cost is \$ 3.00 and must be paid to Mrs. Schmeiser before that date. Remember, solid-colored jeans are permitted; stretch pants or sweats are not. Proper shoes (no clogs) and socks must be worn, as is stated in the handbook. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Schmeiser at 708-456-8786, ext. 18.

BETHLEHEM'S FAMILY GAME NIGHT: Thank you to everyone who came out and brought the yummy snacks for Family Game Night! We had about 40 people and everyone had a lot of fun!

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK: We had a great time this week! Thanks to all the volunteers who came in to help, especially for the Grandparent's Day Luncheon and the Staff Appreciation Luncheon. We appreciate so much all that you do!

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.

CHAPEL OFFERING: Chapel Offering is \$ 9.25. March, April and May recipient to be announced.

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS: This week:

Kindergarten/Preschool: The Kindergarteners are becoming good readers! They read books to their reading buddies! The Preschoolers are learning about the March wind. They used their breath to blow boats.

1st/2nd: The 1st / 2nd graders are having a lot of fun this week! Their book orders are due on March 13th.

3rd/4th: 3/4 graders are having a great time for Lutheran Schools Week!

5th/6th: In History we learned about Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain and Prince Henry, the Navigator of Portugal. We also started to learn about the Kingdoms of Africa. We are also thankful to God that we have the opportunity to attend a Lutheran School.

7th/8th: We worked on arranging our notes into an outline this week. Look for our "String Art" on display at the pancake breakfast.

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 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 6th 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.