

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL WEEKLY NOTE

January 25, 2008



SPECIAL AWARDS NIGHT AND P.T.L. MEETING: There will be a **Special Awards Night**, in conjunction with a brief P.T.L. meeting; **TONIGHT** at 7:00 pm. Students will be recognized for the 1st and 2nd quarter Honor Roll, church and school attendance, athletics and special achievements. Our Preschool will delight us with a song. We hope everyone can come and bring their children! Refreshments will be served! If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Shabez at 708-453-4398.

REMINDER: The School Choir will be singing on **Sunday, January 27th** at the 8:00 am service. Please be at church by 7:45 am ready to sing! If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Erjavec at 847-671-1677.

BASKETBALL: The 7th and 8th grade teams came up a little short on their game with St. John. They played great! Their next **HOME** game, against Messiah, is on **Tuesday, January 29th**. There will be an Away game against St. Paul, Austin on Thursday, January 31st.

5th AND 6th FIELD TRIP: The 5th and 6th grade class will be going on a backstage tour at the Lyric Opera on **January 28, 2008**. Permission slips for the 5/6 grade music field trip have gone home. Please return them as soon as possible. Any questions, call Mrs. Erjavec at 708-456-8786, ext. 16.

ADVENTURES OF FLAT STANLEY: STANLEY has returned from Egypt. Check the bulletin board in the upper hallway to read his letter and see pictures of Stanley by the pyramids, etc... However, Stanley didn't stay here very long. He is traveling with Mr. & Mrs. Hanson, (Nicole and Cassie's grandparents) to Florida. We look forward to his return and hearing about his adventures. If anyone is traveling or soon will be traveling, please let us know. Stanley loves to travel and see many new sights.

EARLY DISMISSAL DATES FOR 2008: The school has set the dates for the early dismissals for the rest of the school year. We hope this timely information will help you as you plan your child's schedule this year. All the early dismissal days will end at 1:30 pm. Pre-4 class will still meet these days. One month we have scheduled a faculty In-service day in lieu of an early dismissal.

The dates are as follows:

Feb 13

Mar 5 (new date)

Apr 11 - Full day off of school for Faculty In-service

May 14

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Schmeiser at 708-456-8786, ext. 18.

CHAPEL OFFERINGS: Chapel offerings for January and February will be going for "Hearts for Jesus". The coin folders should be filled and returned to school by **February 28th**. So far, \$ 23.01 has been collected during chapel. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Urban at 708-456-8786, ext. 17.

SCRIP PROGRAM: SCRIP orders will continue to be placed weekly in 2008! Just place your order on the SCRIP website at www.shopwithscrip.com and get the money to Linda McGinnis! If you have any questions, please contact Linda McGinnis at 708-681-1076.

MEMORY WORK/BIBLE STORIES: Memory work and bible stories for the upcoming week will be printed in the Weekly Note. This week's selections are:

- ◆ Catechism: Sacrament of Holy Baptism: What does such baptizing with water indicate? Where is this written?
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It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Where is this written?

St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life" (Romans 6:4).

- ◆ Verse of the week:

Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

- ◆ Psalm of the week: Psalm 27

◆ Hymn of the week: 347 "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" (stanza 1)

- ◆ Bible Stories for the Week:

Sunday - Jesus Calls the Fishermen—Matthew 4:12-25

Monday - Joseph Interprets Dreams in Prison—Genesis 40:1-23

Tuesday - Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dreams—Genesis 41:1-36

Wednesday - Joseph Becomes the Prince of Egypt—Genesis 41:37-57

Thursday - Joseph's Brothers Journey to Egypt to Buy Food—Genesis 42:1-24

Friday - Joseph Feeds His Brothers, Sends Them to Their Father—Gen. 42:25-38

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS: This week:

Kindergarten/Preschool: The Preschoolers experienced snow in a new way! It was too cold to go outside in the snow, so we brought some snow inside. We put on our mittens and made snowballs and we used measuring cups to mold the snow into hills. The Kindergarteners have worked hard this week reviewing the letter sounds we have learned so far this year. They are on their way to being good readers.

1st/2nd: We have been working on our reading, math and handwriting!

3rd/4th: In Science class, we are finishing our lesson on eggs. In History, we made monkey dolls. We have a new CD in Math to help us learn our Multiplication facts. 1/2 had an introduction to the instruments by watching Peter and The Wolf. 3/4 are also learning about the instrument families, which will go for a few weeks. In Geography, we are studying the Pacific coast states and their capitals. 3rd and 4th are also learning about graphs, pictographs, line graphs, circle (pie) graphs and bar graphs.

5th/6th: Some of our Greek vases are up! Stop by and look at them. We are starting to study Fishes and Amphibians this week in Science. Ask a 5th or 6th grader about the "A - Z" game.

7th/8th: This week, we began a project to make Grecian Vases.

BETHLEHEM'S WORSHIP SCHEDULE: The Sunday schedule for Bethlehem is 8:00 am and 10:30 am worship services, Sunday School for 3 years and up 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.