



St. James Journal

Thursday, October 11th, 2018



Legal Announcement:

In accordance with state laws, this notice is to show that St. James Lutheran School, admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

Hot Lunch for the Week:

Monday, Oct 15 – KKN noodle casserole, carrots or green beans, fresh fruit, cheese slices

Tuesday, Oct 16 – Ham, parsley potatoes, corn, coleslaw, peach slices, cheese slices

Wednesday, Oct 17 – KKN nuggets, potato wedges, California blend veggies, pear slices, cheese slices

Thursday, Oct 18 – Mozzarella pizza dippers, salad bar, pineapple slices

Friday, Oct 19 – Chili with crackers, pb sandwich, strawberry cups, cheese slices

Recess Parents for This Week: (Noon Duty)

Mon: Jennifer Verstoppen; **Tues:** Jennifer Verstoppen; **Weds:** Barb Nelson; **Thurs:** Carolyn Schlais; **Fri:** Paul Kroenke

School Mission Statement: Connecting people to the love of Jesus Christ in: Our families, Our community, Our world.

A tie? Is this the NFL? For the first time this school year, the Super Saver Contest has resulted in a tie. Congratulations to the Mighty First Grade Students who are this week's Top Savers! Way to go Miss Nieve Perez for filling up your book this week. A special thank you to the Dobbersteins who continue to do an awesome job promoting and coordinating the Super Saver program from Church Extension Fund.

Mrs. Denkert, Mrs. Schwartz, and the rest of their posse wanted me to let you know about a **HUGE** school event which raises a large amount of money to help enhance the quality of education at St. James. Please let your friends

and family know about the St. James Gala. **This will be taking place on Saturday, October 27th.** A full meal will be served buffet style. Mrs. Sue Moede will be catering this event. Please make sure you are in attendance as we join in fun and fellowship for the futures of these young men and women. Again, I have enclosed a flyer for the Gala as an attachment to the email. Any questions can be directed to Mrs. Denkert or Mrs. Schwartz.

Speaking of the St. James Gala, I hope you have been contacted by your child's teacher or room parent about supporting the Gala. Each class has a theme that was chosen: Pre 3s - Princess & Superhero; Pre 4s - Reading Rainbow; Kindergarten Kaiser - Date Night/Family Night; Kindergarten Denkert - Let It Snow (Christmas); Gr. 1 Hendricks - Pamper Yourself; Gr. 2 Szymanski - Kitchen/Baking Magic; Gr. 2 Moran - Dessert-a-Month; Gr. Gr. 3 - Menu Gift Card Display; Gr. 4 - Campfire (Outdoor); Gr. 5 - Fall Thanksgiving (Gift Cards); Gr. 6 - Brewers basket; Gr. 7 - Fishing & Hunting; Gr. 8 - To the Moon and Back. Please check to see what still needs to be donated for your child's classroom basket.

I am SO EXCITED for the Kindergarten and First grade classes: All students in these classes will have the honor and privilege of singing at the **Saturday** evening service on **October 13th**. This service will take place at **5:30 PM**. I cannot wait to hear these children of God sing in His Glory. I also cannot wait to worship with these cherubs!

Joke: What do you call a droid that takes the long way around the Millennium Falcon?

Please make sure that you fill out your letter for Grandparents Day at St. James. This will allow us to gain an estimate of the number of people who will be participating this year. Please have your child return the letter to their teacher ASAP. Their teachers will make sure to bring them to the office where we can begin to



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get arrangements made for each of our grandparents who will be here!

Speaking of Grandparents Day, St. James loves to offer programs like this to our families. I am asking for donations that will help offset the cost of some of the projects offered on Grandparents Day as well as Lutheran Schools Week events. If you feel inclined to help, please send your donation to the school office.

St. James Lutheran School would like to welcome **Pastor Steven Schauder** to St. James. He is filling the void left by Pastor Timm Griffin. Pastor Schauder grew up less than a block away from St. James. He started on Monday and we give thanks that God has lead Pastor to our fold at St. James. He already knew about the wonderful bread from the lunch ladies. When you see him in the hallway, stop him and introduce yourself. Let him know we appreciate him at St. James.

Coming up this Monday, if your child is a sixth through eighth grader, there is an awesome youth event taking place. Please make sure to contact Mrs. Dobberstein to see if there is still room for your child to take part in the Escape Room at the Shawano Public Library. Please meet at the library only after calling Shelly to see if there is still room for your child to attend.

I want to remind members of St. James to please keep filling out the church attendance cards. There is a small box under the member box which you should be checking to state you have a child that attends St. James. I have asked teachers for their church attendance records for the month of September. Since I have said that strengthening your child's faith is my primary goal while they are here at St. James, I want to let you know that if your child reports attending less than two Sundays per month, I will be calling to see how I or St. James would be able to increase your child's attendance at church, whether they attend St. James or a different

area congregation. Again, I want your child's faith to grow. Regularly attending church is one way for this to happen.

Ms. VandeVoort would like to make sure that all the families should be collecting their Box Tops for Education. This helps St. James earn money. These Box Tops are on a majority of what you have at home. Even grandparents and members of the congregation can help support St. James in the unique way. Please turn in what you have so far to the office by October 30th. She has included a listing of all the products of where these Box Tops appear. Thank you for helping us out. Please spread the word so your family and friends can help us too. **But do not think that October 30th is the last deadline this year.** Keep collecting throughout the school year. We will inform you when a deadline will be occurring in a later newsletter.

Attached to the school newsletter is a copy of the Time and Talent Survey that was given to people at St. James last week. If you are a member of St. James and did not attend church last week, please take time to fill out the survey and return it to the church office. This is important to us as we will call you when the church needs your help specifically using your time and talents God has given you.

I need to do a small amount of bragging right now. If you have not done so, please make sure to like the St. James Lutheran School facebook page. There you will be able to see all the pictures that used to be in the Chronicle. You will be able to hear that Mr. Josh Fiskien of the 5th grade at St. James, brought home a championship at box stock racing. You will also see he brought home a trophy that is almost as tall as he is! Great job of using your God-given talents, Josh. Keep it up!

The Lions and Lionesses will be at St. James again this year. No, not the animals - the humanitarian organization. They will be testing



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the vision of our Kindergarteners on Oct. 23rd. We thank them for taking the time to come in and monitor the vision of our little Saders!!! This is done without any cost to St. James.

Swiss! Gouda! Nacho! CHEESE!!! School Picture Day is next Thursday. Please make sure that you have received a picture form from your child. It will have all the pricing on it. If you do not have a form, please stop into the office and we will give you one. Please make sure the form and the payment is returned on Thursday, Oct. 18th. You child will need to hand the order form and payment to the photographer when his/her picture is taken. Do not turn it into the office. Andrew Herrmann, it is now time for you to practice that ruggedly handsome smile of yours for next Thursday. It is a curse we both bear.

Volleyball Parents, PLEASE NOTE: Volleyball pictures will also be taken that day. There is a **separate form** for volleyball pictures to be ordered from.

I would like to give parents and people who are used as ATMs advanced notice that the annual St. James book fair is back a new time and in a new location. It will be taking place from Oct. 24th – Oct. 29th. I wanted to point this out to you for two reasons: I) You may need to start saving for the laundry list of books that your child will want to purchase. II) In order to make the Book Fair a success, St. James is in need of volunteers to make the Book Fair happen. If you are able to donate your time in order for this to take place, please use this link to sign up! Sign up at signup.com/go/bBJeaDg

Punchline: R2 Detour.

I wanted to let all the parents of students in grades 6-8 know (as well as students through high school) there is a regular youth event that happens on Sunday evenings. Your student is able to meet in Room 112 with other students for a Bible study starting at 6 PM. After the

Bible study, youth then can have fun and fellowship at the open gym until 7:30 PM. I hope to see more of our students grow their faith at St. James through these events.

HERE IS A NEW FAITH INSTRUMENT FOR YOU to utilize at home with your family and children at home. *I recommend this for people who would like to start family devotions at home:*

www.whatdoesthismean.org/devotions.html

Go to the website above and click on the devotions tab to find an entire liturgy to use at home. These devotions are meant to be used daily for a week and then new devotions are posted. The best part is...they are FREE!!!

To end the newsletter each week, I would like to make sure that you have a prayer you may share with your family. In addition to the prayer, if you would like to borrow a devotion book, I have devotions from little kiddos up to the older students in my office.

We pray:

Father, there is so much to pray for our children as they grow up, and my prayer is that You will help parents and educators to provide them with the special nurture and loving atmosphere that will help them discover their gifts and talents and develop them for Your glory. I pray that You will surround our children with so much encouragement that no feelings of inadequacy, fear, or uncertainty will keep them from becoming the joyful, creative people You desire them to be. I pray that You will make classrooms into places where there is a delight in learning instead of drudgery or dread. I pray for wisdom and discernment to reign in the hearts of both parents and teachers to safeguard the hearts and minds of our children. Amen.

Source: www.nationaldayofprayer.org



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