



On Eagle's Wings

*Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will
soar on wings like eagles;*

Friday, December 15, 2006

Christmas Truths & Traditions Day School Closing Chapel December 20

The students of the Day School invite you to worship with them as they present "Christmas Truths and Traditions" through Scripture readings and songs. On Wednesday, December 20 at 2:30 p.m. the chapel will begin with the Bethany Band playing three Christmas songs. We hope to see you there.

Children Will Lead "Jesus, God's Gift of Light"

The Christmas service for Day School and Sunday School children will be held at two times: Sunday, December 17th and Sunday, December 24th. Parts have been assigned and will be coming home in Friday folders.

PLEASE NOTE!!

Saturday rehearsals are scheduled by the date of the service you will be attending and are not at the same time each Saturday!

*Please mark your calendars using
the information below:*

December 24th service rehearsal is
Saturday, Dec. 16th from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

December 17th service rehearsal is
Saturday, Dec. 16th from 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

It is imperative that you attend your rehearsal as scheduled above. If you have questions or concerns, please contact **Nancy Schulz** at (913) 825-4347.



DARE Graduation

The Sixth Graders graduated from the DARE program in an all-school assembly in the Sanctuary on Monday, December 11th at 9:15 a.m. Congratulations to the following students: Natalie Cook, Allie Flessner, Jessica Jewell, Gavin Jorns.

Information & Technology Committee

The committee meets Monday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 203.

Congratulations to Bethany Day School!



Bethany made Standard of Excellence for the State of Kansas in Math and Reading!

Chapel Instrumentalists

Students may sign up to play a religious or classical instrumental piece during the collection of the offering during Wednesday chapel. See the bulletin board by Mrs. Nummela's office for details.



Kids In Christ Lock-In

Are you on God's team? Being disciples of Christ can be a fun experience. This team faith-building experience for 3-5 grades students is planned for Sunday, January 15, 6-10 p.m. in Bethany's Family Life Center. Students are asked to RSVP by calling Tammy Songer at 913-207-4711 by January 8. *Parent volunteers are a powerful force! Please join us in this activity.*

Photos Needed for School Website

I'm ready to work on the photo gallery section of the school website and am looking for photos that reflect our wonderful school. Here are some of the photos I think would be great. If anyone has these types of photos, could you please email them to me at dcborch@everestkc.net? I can resize, crop, brighten, etc., so don't worry about that. Also, if you have a paper photo, I can scan it and return it to you. Thank you for your help!

Types of photos needed:

reading buddies, chapel service, student(s) using SmartBoard, student(s) using laptops, student(s) conducting PowerPoint presentation, close-up sports photos, close-up Bal-A-Vis-X photos, studying religion in classroom, Grandparents Day, Scholastic book fair photo, Art class, Band practice

Submitted by Cheryl Borcharding



Auction Donations Update

Are you dreaming of a warm vacation in Maui? Perfect! We have received word that a wonderful 7-night trip to Hawaii has been donated (save your money to bid!!), fishing and hunting trips, scrap booking supplies, museum memberships, Starbuck's coffee, plasma TV, etc... we'll have more to report on in January! Are you remembering to take auction donation forms out with you when you Christmas shop? We have had a great response from our mailing and we are receiving donations in the mail every day. Stop by the info center and sign off on a few names or pages of donors to whom we mailed letters and follow up with them over the Christmas break. Extra forms and tax i.d. forms are on the bulletin board (thanks, Karla Kern!). Questions about donations? Call Shannon Cambiano or Dana Bolar.

Check Bethany's School
Website: Log on at
www.bethanyschool.net



Grades 4-6 will be listening to a speaker from Ernie Miller Nature Center on December 20 at 1:00. Christmas at Valley Forge is the title of the presentation.

December Mission Project

In December, our Mission offering will go to provide fruit baskets for the shut ins of our congregation. Grades 4-7 will deliver these on December 15. *Submitted by Pam Nummela*

Basketball Update

Games tonight are hosted by MLA and held at King of Kings Lutheran Church. There is no 5/6 girls game. The 7th grade girls team plays at 6:00 and the 5/6 boys teams plays at 7:00. Monday the boys team will be scrimmaging a team from Holy Cross during their normal practice time. **Boys NEED THEIR UNIFORMS for this scrimmage.** Parents are welcome to come watch. An email was sent out this week, and a note sent home on Thursday with the practice schedule for over Christmas Break. Please be sure to let your coaches know if you cannot attend one or more of the practices. A copy of the practice schedule can also be found on the school web-site: www.bethanyschool.net

Basketball Schedule:

December 15: Basketball at MLA, 6:00 7 Girls, 7:00 5/6 Boys

January 5: Basketball at Hope, 6:00 5/6 Girls, 7:00 7 Girls, 8:00 5/6 Boys

January 12: Basketball at HOME, 6:00 7 Girls, 7:00 5/6 Girls

January 13: Basketball at HOME, 10:00 5/6 Girls, 11:00 7 Girls, 12:00 5/6 Boys

January 19: Basketball at HOME, 6:00 5/6 Girls, 7:00 7 Girls, 8:00 5/6 Boys

January 27: Basketball Mini-tournament for boys team and 7th grade girls team. Each team will have 2 games – all on Saturday.

- Boys first game at 9:00.
Other at 1:00 or 3:00
- Girls first game at 12:00
Other at 2:00 or 4:00

February 2, 3, 4: 5th/6th Grade League
Tournament at Bethany Lutheran Church

February 9, 10, 11: 7th/8th Grade League
Tournament at Messiah



Sports Eligibility Policy

A new sports eligibility policy was approved by the Board of Education at the December 12th board meeting. The new policy will go into effect on January 3, 2007. A copy of the new policy was sent home to students in the 5th, 6th and 7th grade. If you did not receive one, additional copies are available on the bulletin board outside of Pam Nummela's office.

January Hot Lunch Menu Changes

January menus are going home in your child's folder today. **NO LATE SIGN-UPS OR PAYMENT, PLEASE!!!** Please return them with payment **by Monday** to your child's teacher as I only have until Tuesday afternoon to get all of the menus tallied and numbers to Hy-Vee. Help me out! ***An exciting menu change!!*** Each day, in addition to the hot lunch menu items, a sack lunch will be offered if your child prefers to sign up for this option. Hy-Vee has agreed to charge us the same amount and the lunch will consist of a peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat bread, carrot sticks, fruit, and some sort of chips (no changes from this menu). Look at your enclosed January menu to get specific instructions for signing up for this option. Thanks to Donna Maxey in the church office for doing the extra record-keeping on this!

More Lunch Servers Needed

We need more servers as several key servers are taking a break this winter or have gone back to work!! Call Donna Beikmann at 383-9388 if you'd be willing to donate your time to serve lunch to our kids!

Coming Up:

December 15: Basketball at MLA, 6:00 7 Girls, 7:00 5/6 Boys

December 20: Classroom Christmas Parties

December 21: End of 2nd quarter and 1st semester – No School

December 21 – January 2nd: No School

January 3rd: First Full Day

January 9th: Board of School Ed Meeting 7:00 p.m.

January 10th: Birthday Lunch with Pastors

January 11th: PTL Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

January 12th: Grade Cards sent home

January 15th: No School, Martin Luther King Day

NEW VOLUNTEER POSSIBILITIES

Volunteer Needed to teach keyboarding for Grades 2-4 using the tutorial software and the laptops. Classes are scheduled in the afternoon, but the day is somewhat flexible. Contact Pam Nummela.

Day School Volunteer Request

We are looking for a few friendly smiles!!!

If you have a few hours available either in the morning or afternoon, we would love to hear from you!

Our need is for volunteers that can help us at the information center desk in the main entry. If you think you might be able to help and or know of someone, please contact Pam Nummela (pnummela@bethanyshcool.net) or Carolann Hart (chart@bethanyshcool.net). We greatly appreciate your consideration of this volunteer opportunity.



Your Bethany friends on the Day School staff wish you and your families Christ's love, peace, joy, and happiness during this Advent and Christmas season.

Teachers: Megan Leimer, Jody Nothwehr, Beckie Rathke, Nancy Schulz, Atlanta Feaster, Jana Grimm, Diane Harries, Cory Emily. Aides: Sharon Fries and Barb Grimm. Extended Care Staff: Michele Senzig, Amy Hanson, and Andrew Apfel. Child Ministry Administrators: Carolann Hart and Laura Grossman. Principal: Pam Nummela.

CHOIR 4-7

In January we will start by singing for the Swans luncheon (that's a retired group from our church) on January 9. On January 10 we will begin practice on the musical "PROMISE U" (PROMISE UNIVERSITY) A performance date has not been set yet, however, I am aiming for March (before spring break). Also, thanks for getting your kids here on the Sunday' mornings when they have sung in church. It truly adds to the music of the service.

VOCABULARY

This week's winners for the word AUGMENT were Will Thompson (2nd), Natalie Cook (6th), and Seth Quarterson (3rd).

Our next new Vocab Word will be introduced on Wednesday, Jan. 3. CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who did a laudable job knowing the 2nd quarter vocab words!

EFFERVESCENCE—Emma Holmberg (4th)

BEHEMOTH—Gavin Jorns (6th)

INNOCUOUS—Evan Grimm (2nd)

LAUDABLE — Ryan Brzon (1st)

CAJOLE—Allison Franken (3rd)

MYRIAD—Riley Winter (5th)

CONCUR—Heidi Kaiser (7th)

AUGMENT—Kate Patterson (K)

Day School Prayer Requests

Bethany Lutheran school families and faculty believe in the power of prayer. This week's requests:

- Prayers for continued healing for Mark Bolar.
- For Norma Niedner with health concerns.
- Prayers for Olivia Price's grandparents, Judith Price who is very sick and her husband Robert, struggling with her illness.



REQUESTS
— FOR —
PRAYER