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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

I want to thank our APT officers (Amy Heathcote, Lisa Walter, Denise Richardson, and Kathy Fitzgerald) for their hard work in coordinating all of the APT events and activities this year. Thank you also to the individuals in charge of our first two APT events, Suzette Heathcote (Get On Track) and Vickie Nethercott (Harvest Event, **Celebration Ball**). Please help support these events by participating in any way you can. These are fun events that also raise funds for our kids. One more thank you to the parents who attended our first APT meeting of the year. We approved a budget for the year and had some great discussion and input on our events and activities this year. We are truly blessed by some great families at St. John's.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| 1. | Mon. | Sept. 17 | 7/8 Volleyball-Home |
| | Thurs. | Sept. 20 | 7/8 Volleyball-Away |
| | Fri-Sun | Sept. 21-23 | Confirmation Retreat |
| | Mon. | Sept. 24 | 7/8 Volleyball-Away |
| | Fri. | Sept. 28 | Get-On-Track |
| | Sun. | Sept. 30 | Anniversary Service-3:00 PM-Junior Bells & Choraliers |
| | Sat. | Nov. 10 | Harvest Event-Carneros Inn |



- God's Blessings to the students celebrating **Baptismal Birthdays**:
Connor Fleury Sandra Morneault Vladimir Jefferson Devyn Bicknell
- Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week**:
James Huber Autumn Nethercott Isabella Corley Sami Zaia Alicia Young Ian Lederer
William Yates Lexie Martin
- GET ON TRACK**: We had lot of great posters entered for our contest. Thanks to all the students. The winners will be announced Monday morning. We are entering our second week of the pledge drive. Remember it is only 3 weeks this year. Many employers offer charitable donation match program. I couldn't hurt to ask....maybe they'll start one for you! Don't forget about the four 49ers tickets for the student who raises the most in pledges. The seats are for the game 10/7, row 13 near the 50 yard line. Great seats! The next volunteer meeting will be Thursday after drop off. Classroom coordinators need to pick up the blank banners at the meeting or in the office.
- Harvest Event Celebration Ball**: This year's Harvest Event will be held at the beautiful Carneros Inn on Saturday November 10th. The Haley Baskin Band will be performing. The event will be from 6:00 pm-11:00pm and will be **cocktail attire**. Food will be heavy hors d'oeuvres with two carving stations. Purchase your tickets prior to Oct. 10th and you will be entered into a surprise raffle which will include a limo ride to and from the event and a VIP table. Tickets are \$150/couple or \$100/person and are available in the school office. We are looking for three cashiers to help at the event. Please contact Vickie Nethercott at 251-9578 or a vickieg7@sbcglobal.net if you are able to help out.
Remember this is one of our main fundraisers! Don't be left out buy your tickets early!!
- Our Soldiers Overseas**: The Napa Valley Coffee Roasting Company is collecting notes to add to their coffee shipments to US personnel serving overseas. If you would like to send a friendly and comforting note, please drop them off in the school office and we will make sure they are delivered. **Thank you for your support to the troops; your words will be a reminder of home.**
- Family Life Education Email List** Oops!! At Back to School Night I handed out information about Family Life Education, I talked about being on my email list for information about upcoming events, but I forgot to say what to do with the forms once they are filled out. You can turn them into the school office, have your child give them to their teacher, or send me an email (pastormark@stjohnslutheran.net) to let me know if you would like to be notified about upcoming marriage enrichment or parenting classes. Pastor Mark
- Grace Based Parenting Workshop** The challenges of parenting in the 21st century often leave parents feeling afraid, angry, guilty, or regretful at one time or another regarding the choices they make in parenting. This workshop will focus on a Biblical philosophy of parenting which is based on grace and love. Having a right attitude toward parenting is helpful in handling unacceptable behavior from our children, and benefits in equipping them for life. Childcare will be available. Please register by sending an email to pastormark@stjohnslutheran.net in order to assist with preparation of materials and set-up. Please indicate when you register the number of children needing childcare and their ages.

9. **How to Talk Confidently with Your Child about God's Gift of Sex Workshop** Do you feel comfortable talking to your child about human sexuality? Do you know what is appropriate to share with them based on their age level? Are you having ongoing conversations with your child about their sexuality? If you don't, they will get most of their information from the movies they watch, the music they listen to, the magazines and books they read, and from conversations with their friends. These sources may not contain the information you want your child to have. The goal of the workshop is to make parents aware of the resources which are available to assist them in talking confidently with their child about God's gift of sex through each age level of development. Ongoing conversations from age three to young adult help a child understand that their sexuality is a gift from God to be used responsibly. All parents with children under the age of 18 are invited to attend. You are welcome to invite friends who are not members of St. John's Church or School to attend with you. Childcare will be available. Please register by sending an email to pastormark@stjohnslutheran.net in order to assist with preparation of materials and set-up. Please indicate when you register the number of children needing childcare and their ages.
10. **Crafts for Kids:** Mrs. Kusel will be teaching craft classes for kids this fall from 3:00-5:00 pm in the 8th grade classroom. The cost is \$20 per class. Checks are to be made **payable to Jill Kusel**. To see samples of the projects stop by the school office. See attached flyer for more information.
11. **World Famous Speaker** is coming to St. John's. Susan Barton, one of America's leading dyslexia experts, and founder of *Bright Solutions for Dyslexia* is coming to St. John's on October 25th. She will be speaking on warning signs, research, ways to help, and answering questions parents have regarding dyslexia. The presentation begins a 6pm in the church. Please plan to attend and tell your friends!
12. **Sports Spectrum:** If you've been looking for a sports magazine that puts an emphasis on Christian values, take a look at Sports Spectrum. Copies are available in Room 7 and in the school office, so stop by and see what's inside as college and professional athletes share their faith. Subscriptions are \$25.00, with 50% of the cost being returned to the school.
13. **Hot Lunch Server: We are in need of one more lunch server on Fridays. Please contact Ramona Kaufmann at 486-6291 or 252-8009 if you would be interested.**
14. **St. John's Pennants:** The 8th grade class is selling blue and white pennants with St. John's Eagles as a fundraiser for their class. They are \$5.00 each and are being sold in the school office. Stop by and purchase one or two and show your colors while supporting your fellow students.
15. **The Scoop From Scrip:** New to Scrip in Gymboree in \$25 denominations at 13% discount to the school. Coming soon is Michaels Craft store in \$25 denominations at 4% discount.

If you shop at Safeway between September 10th and October 6th look for the yellow school bus on your receipts. Extra discounts on specially marked items will provide additional monies for our school. Bring your receipt with the yellow school bus into the school office and we will do the processing.

16. **From the Minister of Youth and Children:**

For all Families... You will want to keep open Saturday, October 6 for the FREE "Rock of Ages" Christian Music Festival! It takes place at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga from 10 am till 9 pm and it is FREE! There will be inflatable fun equipment for the entire family, rock climbing walls, professional wrestlers "Dr. Death" Steve Williams and Smackdown Superstar, Heidenreich will be wrestling in a ring along with a few others, skate parks with professional skaters, presentations on Creation Science, food booths and a great line up of contemporary Christian Musical Artists. Scheduled to play are: Jars of Clay, Phil Joel, MXPX, Christafari, Conflict, Denver and the Mile High Orchestra and a few more. To see the complete line up, check out www.rockofagesfestival.com

7th and 8th Grade Ministry... Don't forget to join us every Sunday morning for Bible Study! We meet in Room 8 on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 am. Hope you will join us as we study God's Word and apply it to our lives.

It's not too late to sign up for **Youth Quake**. The "Early Bird" registration has passed but you still have till Thursday, September 27th to let Steve know you want to attend. The cost of the weekend is now \$135 but does not include food. The Quake takes place on the weekend of **November 2-4, 2007** so if you want to go, contact Steve.

If you are involved in Confirmation this year, don't forget that we meet this Wednesday, September 19th from 7-8:30 pm in the gym. Don't forget to bring your "Living Faith" Journal, your Bible and something to write with. Any questions, contact your Adult Guide.

17. **Hot Lunches: Monday/Wednesday/Friday lunches need to be preordered the week before. Please do not use the Lunch Coupons for Tues. & Thurs. Lunches.**

Monday	September 17	Chicken Sandwich/Green Salad/Fruit Salad	
Wednesday	September 19	Spaghetti & Meatballs/Garlic Bread/Cookie	
Thursday	September 20	Pepperoni Pizza	\$3.00
		Extra Slice	\$1.00
		Ice Cream	\$.50
Friday	September 21	Salisbury Steak/Mashed Potatoes & Gravy/Vegetables	