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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

Some exciting events are coming up here at St. John's. Next Friday, September 28 is Get On Track. This is an exciting day to focus on healthy exercise and a change to raise funds for the school. Families are welcome to join us on that day and participate in all of the festivities. It will be a non-uniform dress day, though students must wear their Get On Track t-shirts. We do ask that you not bring your dog to school or any family pets. We need to keep this a safe and comfortable environment. Also, I encourage parents to sign up to attend the Celebration Ball Harvest Event. This is annually a great adult event that also raises significant funds for our APT funded activities and programs. Tickets are available in the office. We also are asking for donations for the auction during this event.

As some of you may have heard by now, Lydia Schroeder, will be retiring from teaching at the end of this school year. Mrs. Schroeder has been an important part of St. John's for over 40 years. Many children and families have been blessed by her love and care. Later this spring, we will have a special church service and retirement event for Mrs. Schroeder.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| 1. | Mon. | Sept. 24 | 7/8 Volleyball-Away |
| | Thurs. | Sept. 27 | 7/8 Volleyball-Away |
| | Fri. | Sept. 28 | Get-On-Track |
| | Sat. | Sept. 29 | 7/8 Boys Volleyball-Prince of Peace Tournament-Fremont |
| | Sun. | Sept. 30 | Anniversary Service-3:00 PM-Junior Bells & Choraliers |
| | Mon. | Oct. 1 | 7/8 Volleyball-Home |
| | Sat. | Nov. 10 | Harvest Event-Carneros Inn |



2. God's Blessings to the students celebrating **Baptismal Birthdays**:
Brett Carey Gunnar DeYoung Gillian Draeger Devon McMahan
3. Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week**:
CJ Meissenhalter Bailey Loban Olivia Bueno Michael Francke Morgan Malloy Sam Hoff
Griffin Abernethy Emily Peterson
4. **GET ON TRACK**: Congratulations to Preschool for winning the first week of the Pledge drive! They will be getting a special ice cream treat! Also, congratulations to the winners of our poster contest, 1st Abbey Sneed, 2nd Rachel Carey and 3rd Elise Semple. Great Job ladies! We are entering our last week of our pledge drive. Don't forget that these pledges help fund many the great programs here at SJLS like the art and P.E programs among other things. Let's not forget all the worthy charities the classes are supporting: **Preschool – Cope Family center, Kindergarten – Samaritan's Purse, 1st Grade - Napalit, 2nd Grade - Mission De Jesus (Chavez Family), 3rd Grade Prison -Fellowship Ministries- Angel Tree, 4th – The Table, 5th Napa Food Bank, 6th Mission De Jesus, 7th & 8th – Make a Wish Foundation.** We still have a long way to go. We are not receiving matching funds from Thrivent this year so we need to work extra hard to get pledges! Instead of our morning meeting on Thursday we will be meeting at 1:00 @ the snack shack to stuff goodies bags and separate shirts volunteers to help are appreciated. If you are volunteering for the day of the event and would like to sign up for a specific job and/or shift call Suzzette @ 287-5467.
5. **Thirty years for Mrs. Gewirz**: Please come and join Mrs. Betsy Gewirz as we celebrate 30 years of teaching! A luncheon will be held on Sunday, October 21, 2007 at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation for this event. Tickets will be available from the school office and church office.
6. **Dance Team Hot Lunches**: Beginning Tuesday, October 4th and continuing every Tuesday thru at least the month of October, SJLS Dance Team will be sponsoring Hot Lunch. They will be serving Spaghetti, Green Salad, Garlic Bread, and a cupcake. Be sure to check out next week's Blue note under the hot lunch sections to see the price.
7. **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!!

8. **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.*
9. **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. Pastor Mark will lead this workshop on Thursday, Sept. 27th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall (Gym). 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. **JDRF:** Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International will be hosting a Walk to Cure Diabetes on Saturday, October 13th at St. Supery and Paju Wineries. Flyers are available on the desk in the school office.
11. **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.
12. **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!
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:** Albertson's has now switched to Lucky's. For those of you who currently have some Albertson's Scrip, they will switch your card(s) for Lucky's. It would be nice if you let them know ahead of time that you need to do this, they will need to call your cards in to verify amount. We will be ordering Lucky Scrip on our next order. Also, your Community Partners card is no longer valid. Lucky's does have their own program which we will be receiving more information later this week.

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

For all Families...Don't forget about the FREE "Rock of Ages" Christian Music Festival! It takes place at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga on **Saturday, October 6th**. The Festival goes from 10 am till 8 pm and it is FREE! There will be inflatable fun equipment for the entire family, rock climbing walls, professional wrestlers, skate parks, 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...If you are participating in the Confirmation program, just a reminder that we meet **tonight**, Friday for the Retreat. We will meet in the large parking lot at 5:15 pm. Don't forget your Bible, Living Faith Journal, something to write with, tennis shoes and a jacket. Any questions, contact your Adult Guide. See you tonight at 5:15!

It's not too late to sign up for **Youth Quake**. The "Early Bird" registration has passed but you still have till **this Tuesday, September 25th** 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 right away at 255-7451!

And don't forget to join us next Friday, September 28th for "Medical Madness". We meet from 7-9 pm in the gym to play some fun games and eat some food all around the theme of medicine. If you would like to dress up like a doctor, nurse, or other medical personnel you are welcome to do so, but you don't have to. Hope to see you at the Medical Madness night!

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 24	Poorboy Sandwich/Green Salad/Fresh Fruit	
Wednesday	September 26	Chicken Cacciatore/Rice & Vegetables/Brownie	
Thursday	September 27	Cheese Pizza	\$3.00
		Extra Slice	\$1.00
		Ice Cream	\$.50
Friday	September 28	GET-ON-TRACK-HOT DOG LUNCH	