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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all who have filled out the zoomerang survey on Study Skills. It will help us as we look at how we address this aspect of our program. If you did not receive a zoomerang survey, please contact the school office, so that we can confirm your e-mail address.

Earlier in the week, I sent out a plea for help this Saturday. We are getting a load of playground bark, and I am asking for volunteers to help us spread that bark in the preschool and elementary playgrounds starting at 8:00 a.m. Your help would be greatly appreciated, and you would help us make our playground that much safer for everyone. If you have any shovels or garden rakes, please bring them. Also, if you plan to come, please RSVP by calling the office or e-mailing me at jwahlers@stjohnsnapa.org. I thank those who have already indicated they will be there. It should not take long with many hands.

I encourage all of you to join us at the Harvest Event this year on November 10. This is our largest APT fundraiser and is also a great fellowship event for our parents and staff. It is one of my favorite events of the year. Tickets are still available.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

PALS: Please remember that the elementary PALS program now has a direct line. Please call 738-7901 to reach the PALS program after 3:30pm.

1	Fri.	Oct. 12	In-Service Day-No School or PALS
	Sat.	Oct. 13	7/8 Girls Volleyball-Prince of Peace Tournament-Fremont
	Sun.	Oct. 14	1st & 2nd grade choir-8:00 am service
	Sun.	Oct. 21	Tone Chimes-8:00 am service
	Sun.	Oct. 21	Preschool choir-10:45 am service
	Sat.	Nov. 10	Harvest Event-Carneros Inn
	Mon.	Nov. 12	Veteran's Day-No School or PALS



2. God's Blessings to the students celebrating *Baptismal Birthdays*:
Andrew Cardoso
3. Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week**:
Raymond Matulich Michael Fitzgerald Christopher Vaziri Gillian Draeger A.J. King
Katelyn Young Wyatt Amaral Olivia Husted
4. **Thirty years for Mrs. Gewirz**: Next Sunday, October 21st, we will be celebrating 30 years of teaching for Mrs. Betsy Gewirz. A luncheon will be held at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation for this very special event. Tickets are available in the school office.
5. **Harvest Event "Celebration Ball"**: *Congratulation to our raffle winner, Lisa and Bill Marseilles.* They won a 1 night stay for two at the Carneros Inn, Limousine ride for the event and their own VIP table. **Thank you to Carneros Inn and Napa Valley Tours and Transportation for your generous donations.**
If you have yet to donate (large or small) to the auction please check out the lime green flyer attached to this week's Blue Note. There are many great ideas in many various price ranges. If you are waiting to purchase your tickets don't wait too long! **Tickets sales are being open to the general public starting this week.** This is sure to be one of our best events ever and you don't want to be left out! Tickets are available in the school office. Tickets are \$150 per couple or \$100 for one. If you need more information please contact Vickie Nethercott at 251-9578 or at vickieg7@sbcglobal.net.
6. **Gift Wrap Sales**: The gift wrap sales have been extended to **Wed. October 17th**. Please have your final orders turned into your class no later than 3:00. The class with the most orders will be given a **ROOT BEER FLOAT PARTY!** Remember this is a great time to get ready for your holiday supplies, small gifts and special treats. Orders should arrive before the Thanksgiving break.
7. **Attention Parents**: Many of you have shown interest in coming to the Dyslexia presentation on Thursday, October 25th. I would like to encourage any parent who has a child who struggles in school to come and listen to what Susan Barton has to share. I promise it will be worth your time. If you are planning on attending, I ask that you register online at www.napa.eventbrite.com. This will allow us to know approximately how many handouts to have. If you decide at the last minute that you want to attend, please do so. The registration is only to give us an approximate number of people. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you on Oct. 25th at 6:00 pm in the gym. Jill Kusel

8. **Baptism Workshop:** Are you interested in baptism? Do you have a child that you would like baptized? Would you like to learn more about baptism? Is your family expecting a new child, whom you would like baptized when the time comes? Pastor Mike and Pastor Mark will be leading a baptism workshop on **Monday, October 22, 2007 in the Parish Hall from 7:00 – 9:00.** Child care will be provided. To register or learn more, contact Pastor Mike or email him at pastormike@stjohnslutheran.net
9. **Christmas Drop and Shop Mission Outreach:** In realization of our new church vision of **Leading People Out** by serving the real needs of people in our community, St. Johns will be providing baby-sitting and Christmas wrapping services to those in the community who are lacking resources and/or struggling financially. During the current 8th grade Christmas paper and decoration fundraiser, please consider buying one additional roll of wrapping paper to donate to this mission outreach. Donations can be dropped off at either the church or school offices. Contact Doug or Nancy Draeger with questions or ways you might help with babysitting, wrapping or donation. 258-5599
10. **Box Tops for Education:** We are looking for a volunteer to process our **Box Tops for Education.** They need to be submitted in October and March. If you have been looking for a way to help but are restricted due to work or other commitments this might be what you are looking for. You can do this at home at your own pace. Please see Dawn Wahlers for more information.
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.
12. **St. John's Pennants:** The 8th grade class continues to sell 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 school colors while supporting your fellow students.
13. **Mom's In Touch:** The St. John's Mom's in Touch group meets each Monday morning to pray for all of the children at St. John's and to pray for the teachers and staff. Please feel free to join us even if you can only come once in a while. We will meet from 8:30 am- 9:30 am in room 10 every Monday that school is in session. If you have any questions please call Elaine Hoff at 256-0702.
14. **Optimist Youth Basketball:** Sign ups for 7/8 grade boys and 7-12 grade girls will be held at the Napa Valley College gym on Oct. 10th & 16th from 6:00-8:00 pm and again on Oct. 13th & 20th from 9:00am till 12 noon. You may also sign up online at napaoyb.com.
15. **Hot Lunch Server:** We are still in need of one more lunch server on Fridays. Please contact Ramona Kaufmann at 486-6291 or 252-8009 if you would be able to help out. It doesn't take long and would help the parents that are working as well as your children to receive their food quicker.
16. **The Scoop From Scrip:** Autumn is here and winter is just around the corner. Remember to pick up your Scrip for Home Depot and Sears/Orchard Supply before you do your fall planting or home improvements.
For all you grocery shoppers we have Scrip for Browns Valley Market, Luckys, Safeway and Vallergas. For all of you drivers we have Scrip for Arco, Chevron and Shell. Scrip is open to everyone! Every time you purchase Scrip APT makes money. Support Scrip...Support SJL!!!
17. **From the Minister of Youth and Children:**
Save the date...The family band called, "Simple Grace" will be coming to St. John's on Sunday, November 11th. This family of 8 children (the oldest is 24 and the youngest is 9 years old.) plays a variety of Christian music, including selections from bluegrass, traditional, gospel, folk and original pieces. The concert starts at 6 pm on Sunday, November 11th so bring the entire family! A free will offering will be collected to help offset their expenses. Don't forget to invite your friends!
7th and 8th Grade Ministry...If you are partaking in Confirmation, don't forget that we meet this Wednesday, October 17th for our Learning Event. We meet in the gym from 7-8:30 pm. Don't forget your Bible, Living Faith Journal and something to write with. Any questions, contact your adult guide.
Our next youth night happens on Friday, October 26th and we are going bowling! We'll meet at 7 pm and then go over to Napa Bowl. The cost is \$10 per person and includes 2 games and shoe rental. However, there is only room for 24 people because of league play on Friday nights. So talk to your friends and then make sure to let Steve know that you are going. You can email
18. **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	October 15th	Hamburgers/Green Salad/Brownies	
Tuesday (Dance Team)	October 16th	Spaghetti/Salad/Garlic Bread/Cupcake Vegetarian Sauce available	\$4.00
Wednesday	October 17 th	Lasagna/Garlic Bread/Fruit	
Thursday	October 18th	Pepperoni Pizza Extra Slice Ice Cream	\$3.00 \$1.00 \$.50
Friday	October 19th	Hot Dogs/Tater Tots/Cookie	