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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

We are busy planning for the 2008-09 school year. We are still in the budget planning process and are not quite ready to establish the final tuition rate; however comprehensive fees have been set. Comprehensive fees for K-8 will be \$275, and the fees for Preschool will be \$90. These may seem lower than last year, but this is due to the fact that we had a larger re-enrollment fee this year. Also, since church income is significantly down this year, there is a possibility that member tuition grants may be reduced or eliminated. These funds are provided by the congregation to give financial aid to church member families who have children enrolled in the school. Our hope is that these funds are still available, but that will be determined by the congregation voters of St. John's Lutheran Church.

The key dates for the 2008-09 school calendar have been set. The first day of school will be on August 27, 2008, and the last day of school will be June 12, 2009. Christmas will be from December 20, 2008 to January 4, 2009. Spring Break will be April 13-17, 2009. Other dates will be published later this spring. Please do not assume that we will follow the same calendar as this year for other normally scheduled days off.

Next week is Holy Week. During Holy Week, we will have daily morning devotions to commemorate Christ's Passion. Parents and other guests are invited to join us for this time of worship. They will be held each morning at 8:45 a.m., except for Good Friday which will be held at 11:30 a.m. Good Friday next week will dismiss at 12:00 noon.

The Missoula Children's Theater program is coming to St. John's once again this year with the production of Robinson Crusoe. This is a weeklong program that is open to students in grades K-8. Auditions will be held on Monday, March 31 from 3:15-5:15 p.m. The production will be on Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. I encourage you to take this unique opportunity to be involved in a great drama program! More detailed information was sent out this week.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| March 12-16 | 7/8 Basketball-Justin-Siena Dan Clark Tournament |
| Fri. March 14 | Parent-Teacher Conference-Minimum Day-Dismissal 12 noon- PALS available |
| Wed. March 19 | Can Food Drive-Chapel |
| Fri. March 21 | Good Friday-Minimum Day-Dismissal 12 noon-PALS available |
| March 24-28 | Easter Vacation-No School or PALS |
| Mon. April 7 | In Service-No School or PALS |
| Wed. April 9 | Kindergarten Spring Ducks & Chicks pictures |
| Th-Fri April 10-11 | PS Spring Ducks & chicks pictures |
- God's Blessings to the students celebrating **Baptismal Birthdays**:
Ashley Amundson Allison Channels Justin Channels Ryan Channels Madison Edmeyer
- Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week**:
Megan Threhane Sarah Mautner Sofia Quinones Matteo Mazziliano Amelia Arnold
Landen Douglas Cara FitzGerald Seth Anderson
- Easter Cards**: The 8th grade class is selling Easter Cards which they designed. Three designs were selected by the student body and will be sold in the school office for \$10.00 per pack. Each pack will have two of each design. Proceeds will go to the 8th grade fund. Last year these sold out fast so come in early!
- Missoula Children's Theatre**: The Missoula Children's Theatre will be the week of March 31st. Wed., March 19th, will be a planning meeting for the upcoming drama. We need help with set-up, clean-up, and fundraising fun ideas. Please check with Ellen Politz for more information at 363.2133.
- Country Fair**: Attention Room Parents-Each class will be auctioning off a gift basket at this year's fair. Any theme is fine but you need to let Danielle Irwin (259-6186) or Anita Regan (257-2929) know what the theme is no later than March 21st. Completed baskets are due in the school office by April 5th. Check out item number #10 below for information on the Art Contest.
- Spring Ducks & Chicks Pictures**: Kathy Kellebrew will be taking the annual Ducks and Chicks pictures for Kindergarten (April 9) and Preschool (April 10 & 11). You will be able to view and purchase your pictures at the Country Fair on April 26th.

8. **7-8 Basketball:** St. John's girls team continued their winning ways at a six team tournament hosted by St. Apollinaris this past weekend. Winning both pool games, the girls advanced to the championship game and defeated St. A's to take first place. Mariah Braddock and Olivia Husted (MVP) were named to the All-Tournament team.

Meanwhile, St. John's boys played five games in three days at the 22 team Redeemer, Redwood City Tournament and came away with a 4th place finish. Jared Lemke and Seth Anderson were selected for the All-Tournament team.

Both teams wrap up their seasons at the Dan Clark Justin-Siena Tournament this weekend. The parent/player will be next Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm. and St. John's alumni who played basketball at St. John's are invited to an alumni/player games on Wednesday, also at 6:30 pm.

9. **7-8 Outdoor Education:** If you are paying in installments, a second payment of \$80 is now due. Complete payment of \$240 is due by April 14th, just prior to the week of Outdoor Education at Mt. Gilead, Sebastopol (April 28th-May 1st). The request for parent chaperones that went home last week with report cards must be returned by Monday, March 17th.

10. **Country Fair Poster Artwork Contest:** Friday, March 14th, we will start a poster artwork contest for the Country Fair (April 26th). The winning participant's artwork will be used in the final poster that will be posted all around Napa. Also, the winner will receive 15 tickets for the kids' toy raffle! 2nd place will receive 10 and 3rd will receive 5. Please create your artwork on a standard 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper, **not poster board**. The theme for the artwork should be "**Springtime**". Please make it super colorful! Entries should be turned into the school office by Monday, March 24th.

We had our Country Fair meeting last week, thank you to all who could attend. We still need help with decorations, clean-up, etc. for the day's event. Please contact Danielle Irwin or Anita Regan if you are able to help out. Also if you want to help with the auction committee, please contact Dan or Angela D'Angelo.

11. **Box Tops for Education:** Remember to save your Box Tops for Education. We will be sending home little bags in the next month for you to put your collections in. We will be having a drawing toward the end of the year with some fun prizes.

12. **The Scoop From Scrip:** One week left until Easter. Pick up Scrip for all of your Easter goodies. The Scrip year is winding down ending on April 30th. Now is a great time to help APT out. If you have met your commitment please do not stop buying Scrip. This is when APT starts earning a profit from your purchases. Remember APT is here to help your children. There is no easier way to help out then to purchase Scrip. Stop by the school office during normal operating hours. We carry grocery store, gas, clothing, restaurant and many more gift cards.

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

Join us for Easter Breakfast! Once again, the Jr. High and High School youth at St. John's Lutheran Church will be sponsoring an Easter Breakfast. The breakfast takes place on Easter Sunday, March 23rd from 8:30-10:30 am in the Gym. Rudy and Lori Gutierrez, owners of Amigos Restaurant in Sonoma, will be our chefs. On the menu will be scrambled eggs, Rudy's home fries, sausage links, croissants, fresh fruit, juices, milk, coffee and tea. The suggested donations are \$25 for a Family OR \$10 per adult and \$5 per children but we want all to feel welcome to attend the breakfast regardless of your ability to make a contribution. If you are planning to attend this breakfast, please contact Christy Kramer in the Church office with your name and the number of people that will be attending. (This RSVP is not required to eat-it will just help us to plan!) You can contact Christy at churchoffice@stjohnslutheran.net or at 707-255-0119. We thank Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for providing matching funds for our youth! And thanks for your support!

Cell Phone Roundup...The youth at St. John's Lutheran are still collecting old cell phones as a fundraiser so keep bringing those old phones! And don't forget to collect the used phones from your friends and neighbors. We will continue our efforts through the end of March, so there is still time to bring in your used phones. Thanks for your help!

7th and 8th Grade Ministry...Don't forget to earn some money by helping at the Easter Breakfast! We need your help on Saturday, March 22nd from 5-7 pm and then on Easter Sunday, March 23rd anytime between 8 am and 11:30 am. Contact Steve if you can help.

8th Grade Ministry...If you have signed up for the High School Houseboat trip this summer, don't forget that your \$100 non-refundable deposit is due by March 31st. Make your checks out to: St. John's Lutheran Youth and then get them to Steve. Any questions, contact him at 255-7451 or at Steve@stjohnslutheran.net

14. **Hot Lunches:** Monday/Wednesday/Friday lunches need to be preordered the week before.

Monday	March 17th	Crispy Chicken Sandwich/ Salad/Brownie or Chicken Caesar Salad	
Tuesday	Mar. 18th	Bean & Cheese Burrito/Chips/Salsa/Salad/Dessert	\$4.00
(Boy Scouts)		Extra Burrito	\$1.00
		Candy	\$1.00
Wednesday	March 19th	Roast Turkey/Mashed Potatoes w/gravy/Pudding or Chef Salad	
Thursday	March 20th	Pepperoni Pizza	\$3.00
		Extra Slice	\$1.00
		Ice Cream	\$.50
Friday	March 21st	Minimum Day-Dismissal at 12 noon-Good Friday	