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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

I want to congratulate and thank the students who participated in the Missoula Children's Theater production of Robinson Crusoe last week. They all did a fantastic job! Thank you also to the parents who helped to take care of all the details. Again, a big thank you to Ellen Politz for all of her hard work. This has been a great drama program for our students during the last two years, and we are already planning for the Missoula Children's Theater to come back next year.

We will be administering achievement tests next week to all elementary students. We use the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) to help us measure the academic development of the students. ITBS tests give us a national comparison for how our students are doing, and it also gives us the progress over the past year. Please help your child be as successful as they can by helping them get plenty of sleep and eat good nutritious breakfasts each day. Also please avoid scheduling any doctor's appointments or other activities during the school day next week.

Summertime is on the horizon! If you are interested in summer activities for your child, we will once again be having a Summer Camp for students in preschool through fourth grade. Mr. Hauch is also conducting summer basketball camps for certain age groups as well. Information on these opportunities, as well as other summer programs in the community, are available in the school office.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| Fri. | April 11 | Outdoor Education-Payment in Full Due |
| Sun. | April 13 | Choraliers and Liturgical Dance at 8:00 am service |
| M-F | April 14-18 | ITBS Achievement Tests-Please do not schedule appointment this week |
| Sat, | April 26 | Country Fair- 12 noon to 4:00 pm |
| Sat. | May 10 | LSAA Track Meet-Newark High School |
| Fri. | May 30 | Box Tops For Education Baggies Due-Winners announced Monday, June 2nd |
| | June 1 | Comprehensive Fees Due-4-year old PS \$90, 1st-7th \$275-See item #4 |
- God's Blessings to the students celebrating **Baptismal Birthdays**:
Heidi Richter Cullen Mooers Trent Mooers MacKenzie Mills Dylan McIntyre
- Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week**:
Grace Walter Kishan Kumar Nic Regan Hannah Randolph Gabriel Gutierrez Monique Hale
- Comprehensive Fees**: Comprehensive Fees are due no later than June 1st. **Invoice will not be mailed out for this fee.** Those students entering the 4-year old preschool, the comprehensive for will be \$90.00. Those students who are entering 1st-8th grade your fee is \$275.00. Those entering Kindergarten have already paid this fee.
- Lutherland Tour**: Pastor Mark and Diane are considering hosting a tour to Germany in 2010. The 12 day tour would focus on key sites in Martin Luther's life. The highlight of the trip would be attending the Passion Play in Oberammergau. The dates of the trip are August 2 – 13, 2010. The cost is \$5,395 per person. Pastor Mark will lead an information meeting about the trip on Sunday, April 20th from 12:15 to 1:00 in Room 10. A brief video will be shown and a detailed brochure covering itinerary, items included in the price, and payment options will be handed out and discussed. Please let Pastor Mark know if you are planning to attend the meeting. E-mail pastormark@stjohnslutheran.net phone 255-0119 ext 124
- St. John's Summer Basketball Camps (Our 24th year)**: Brochures and registration forms are now available for boys and girls who are entering grades 5-8 this fall. The girls' camp (June 16th-20th) and the boys' camp (June 23rd-June 27th) is limited in number, so early registration is encouraged.
- LSAA Track Meet**: This year's Lutheran Schools Athletic Association (LSAA) Track Meet is scheduled for Saturday, May 10th, at Newark Memorial High School. This annual day-long Meet brings together the best athletes from Lutheran Schools throughout the Bay Area. Here at St. John's, we're just beginning the process of determining which students in grades K-8 will have an opportunity to represent our school at this event. Students in all grades will be timed and tested in the events their specific age group is eligible for and parents will be notified if their child qualifies for a given event(s). If your child is invited to participate, please return the form promptly so that our roster can be set. If you already know that your child cannot participate in the Meet due to a prior conflict, a note to Mr. Hauch or your child's teacher will enable us to more efficiently determine qualifiers.

While we generally test our students in grade groups to lessen the impact on classroom schedules, please be aware that track meet classification is determined by age as of March 1st and is set up in 6 month increments. As such, your child may be competing against students in other grades, not just classmates.

8. **Get on Track:** We are looking for someone to chair "Get on Track" for next year. This is a fun day for families and students alike and a great way to get involved with St. John's School. Please call Suzzette Heathcote (254-1800) or Amy Heathcote (253-0897) is interested.
9. **Box Tops for Education:** Baggies were sent home on last weeks Blue Note for you to collect your Box Tops for Education for General Mills Products. We will have three drawings on Monday, June 2nd (for different age divisions) for those students who turned in their Box Tops. They must be turned in by Fri. May 30th. Please do not forget to put your name and grade on the label.
10. **Vintage Aquatic Fitness Club:** If you have a child 10 years of age thru Junior High school who is interested in the sport of Water polo you may want to consider this new program co-sponsored by the Vintage High Aquatics Fitness Club and Napa Valley Water Polo. No experience is necessary; practices begin May 13th and 15th from 4-5:30pm and will be every Tues/Thurs thru June 5th at Vintage High School. The cost for the four weeks will be \$60.00. For more information or to register please contact Julian Szmids 815.2859 or julianszmids@hotmail.com. Flyers available in school office.
11. **Justin-Siena-Win \$10,000 or 1 year Tuition Free:** Buy a \$100 (tax deductible) raffle ticket and you could win \$10,000 or 1 year **FREE TUITION** at Justin-Siena High School. Only 250 tickets will be sold so don't miss out! Tickets are available in the Development office or Main Office at Justin Siena or by contacting Viki Wangeman at 253-7749. Winning ticket will be drawn at the Wine Auction on April 26th. Need not be present to win. Tuition must be used for the 2008/2009 school year.
12. **Lost and Found:** Any items left in Lost & Found will be donated to charity on Friday, April 18th. Please be sure to check out all the "lost" items in room 10.
13. **The Scoop From Scrip:** April 30th will complete the end of the scrip year for 2007-2008. We will begin our new year on May 1st. Plenty of Scrip available to take care of your *home improvements, grocery, and gasoline needs*. If you're beginning to think of new clothes for the spring, we have plenty of *Macy's, JC Penny's, Mervyn's, Ross, Old Navy/Banana Republic/Gap, American Eagle, Land's End and Dennis Scrip*. Remember to tell your family and friends that they are welcome to purchase their gift cards in the school office. You do not need to be a participant in the Scrip program or even belong to St. John's. *Everyone is welcome to support SJL APT.*
14. **From the Minister of Youth and Children:**
For all Mothers and Daughters (of 6th Graders and older)...Saturday, May 10th is a special "Mother Daughter Health Fair" at St. Apollinaris Church in Napa. Amy Roloff, the mother from the Reality TV Show, "Little People, Big World", will be one of the guest speakers along with Doris and Tom Smeltzer of Napa. This event will go from 10 am until 3:30 pm and will include snacks, lunch, lots of free give-aways, and two great presentations. After the presentations, there will be a Health Fair set up in the St. A's Hall with great information for female teens and their mothers. The cost for each mother/daughter pair is \$40. Additional daughters can be added on for \$10 per teen! For more information, contact the St. A's Youth Ministry Department at 251-0392 or email Megan at stasyouth@aol.com. You can also pick up a flyer in the School Office.

4th, 5th and 6th Grade Ministry (TGIS)...We meet **this** Sunday, April 13th for our monthly meeting. We will be in the gym from 1-3 pm to play some fun games, eat some snacks and hear some of God's Words. Bring your friends and join be sure to join us at 1 pm!

6th, 7th and 8th Graders... The California-Nevada-Hawaii District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod is having its 3rd Annual Jr. High Youth Gathering at Mt. Cross on June 22-25, 2008. The theme this year is, "Wild Kingdom" and will feature Micah Parker as the main speaker. There will be camp wide games, campfires, a low ropes course, worship, and lots of fun. The cost is \$160 for everything if you register and pay by **Friday, April 25th**. Any questions, contact Steve at 255-7451.

7th and 8th Grade Ministry...Join us next Friday, April 18th for "The Jell-O Bowl"! That's right; it's a night full of your favorite wiggly, wobbly, J-E-L-L-O stuff! Come dressed in the color of your favorite flavor and score some extra points for your team. We'll meet from 7-9 pm in the gym so make sure you bring your friends!

And for those of you that are involved in Confirmation, our last Learning Event happens next Wednesday, April 16th. We will be meeting in the gym from 7-8:30 pm. Please be sure to bring your Living Faith Journals, a Bible and something to write with. Any questions, contact your adult guide.

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

Monday	April 14th	Burgers/French Fries/Cookie or Chicken Caesar Salad	
Tuesday	April 15th	Grilled Cheese/Fruit/Dessert	\$4.00
(Yosemite-5th grade)		Extra Sandwich	\$1.00
Wednesday	April 16th	Macaroni & Cheese/Garlic Bread/Chocolate Cake or Chef Salad	
Thursday	April 17th	Cheese Pizza	\$3.00
		Extra Slice	\$1.00
		Ice Cream	\$.50
Friday	April 18th	Crispy Chicken Sandwich/Green Salad/Brownie or Chicken Caesar Salad	