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## On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

Thank you to the parents and teachers who attended the APT meeting this past week. It was good to hear how successful this group has been this year. It was also good to hear the great input from those in attendance.

Yesterday, we had our WASC Accreditation Midterm Review. This involved a team of two individuals from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges coming to our school for a full day to review our progress on our Accreditation Action Plans. The visit went well, and we continue to work through the accreditation process to maintain the high level of educational quality at St. John's.

There is no school next week. During the first half of the week, our teachers will be attending a convention hosted by the California Association of Private Schools in Long Beach. This is a valuable conference that has some great workshops and professional growth opportunities for our faculty.

If you did not sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences for Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> one will be assigned for you. You will be notified of your time. These are important opportunities for you to meet with your child's teacher. Due to the change we made in giving our ITBS achievement tests in the fall this year; teachers will be able to share the results of those tests at these meetings.

In Christ,  
Joel D. Wahlers  
Principal

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| 1 | <b>M-T</b>    | <b>Nov. 24-25</b> | <b>CNH Lutheran Teacher Conference-No School or PALS</b>                   |
|   | <b>W-Fri.</b> | <b>Nov. 26-27</b> | <b>Thanksgiving Vacation-No School or PALS</b>                             |
|   | <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>Dec. 1</b>     | <b>5/6 Basketball-Blue Team-Home</b>                                       |
|   | <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>Dec. 1</b>     | <b>5/6 Basketball-White Team-Away</b>                                      |
|   | <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>Dec. 3</b>     | <b>Junior Bells-Midweek Service-7:00 pm</b>                                |
|   | <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>Dec. 3</b>     | <b>Choraliers-Midweek Service-7:00 pm</b>                                  |
|   | <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>Dec. 4</b>     | <b>5/6 Basketball-Blue Team-Home</b>                                       |
|   | <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>Dec. 4</b>     | <b>5/6 Basketball-White Team-Away</b>                                      |
|   | <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>Dec. 4</b>     | <b>Parent/Teacher Conferences-No School or PALS</b>                        |
|   | <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>Dec. 5</b>     | <b>Parent/Teacher Conferences-No School or PALS</b>                        |
|   | <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>Dec. 9</b>     | <b>8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation meeting-7:00 pm room 8-Parents only</b> |
|   | <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>Dec. 14</b>    | <b>School Christmas Service-2:30 &amp; 3:45-Schedule TBA</b>               |
- God's Blessings to the students celebrating **Baptismal Birthday for the next two weeks:**  
Victoria Christie Sami Zaia Marc Galles Anthony Munoz Alicia Young Katelyn Young Jared Lemke
  - Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week for the week of December 1st:**  
Wyatt Irwin Nik Best Brendan Cardey Cara FitzGerald
  - Missing pictures?:** If you have yet to receive your original pictures from Life Touch you will need to contact them at 707-544-1525 or 1-800-339-1541 Monday thru Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm.
  - 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation meeting:** The first graduation meeting will take place Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. Please be sure that at least one parent for each child attends. We will discuss the many end of year activities for the graduating class. The meeting should last about an hour.
  - Mission Project:** Nancy Zaia's small bible study group will be doing a mission project of collecting clean and gently used blankets and coats to be giving to the Salvation Army. We will be collecting them in the school office until December 12<sup>th</sup>. Please go through your closets and see if there is anything that that you would be able to donate to keep someone warm through this winter. Thank you.
  - Boy Scouts Troop 83:** Troop 83 will be selling firewood as a fundraiser for the Napa Valley District Boys Scouts of America. You may purchase a cord of oak for \$285 or a half cord for \$150.00. Pine is selling for \$200 a cord or \$100 a half cord. The wood will be delivered to your driveway and can be stacked at an additional cost. For more information or to order please contact Amy Heathcote at 333-5111.

8. **Wanted: Photos from field trips and classroom activities for the SJL Yearbook.** We can't be everywhere, so we are relying on all you parents out there with cameras! Please submit possible yearbook photos (on CD) to the school office any time! If you have questions, call Wendy Randolph at 255-8669 or Melissa Peterson at 258-2598. Thank you!
9. **Cope Family Center** is in need of new "*Cookie Fairies*" to help bake sugar cookies for their holiday party they host for children in our community on December 6<sup>th</sup>. They need 200 sugar cookies baked for the children to decorate. Matthew Heathcote while researching for a Cub Scout project discovered this need and really would like to help as a Cub Scout Troop and School. If your family can bake a dozen or two sugar cookies the first week of December that would really help us out! Please call Suzzette Heathcote @ 254-1800 or email at [heathcotesuzzette@hotmail.com](mailto:heathcotesuzzette@hotmail.com).
10. **Cornerstone Equestrian Center** will be having a special fundraiser on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am-3:00 pm at the Equestrian Center at Skyline Park. You will have a special opportunity to see Santa and have your photo taken with Santa and his horses! Cost is \$15-\$20. Cornerstone Equestrian Center is an all-volunteer, non-profit therapeutic horseback riding center in American Canyon. They help and support those who have been diagnosed with down syndrome, autism, cerebral palsy, brain injuries and much more. Help support Cornerstone help others during this Christmas season.
11. **Hey Girls!** Napa Junior Girls will be having softball sign-ups for girls in grades 2-7 on January 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> at the Napa High Cafeteria from 6:30-8:30pm and on January 17<sup>th</sup> at Office Depot from 10:00am-12 noon. Visit their website at [www.napajuniorgirlssoftballleague.org](http://www.napajuniorgirlssoftballleague.org). League Hotline: 259-9022. Flyers are available in the school office.
12. **The Scoop From Scrip: AMERICAN EXPRESS GIFT CARDS \$100'S** are now here! If you shop at **COSTCO, TRADER JOES, TARGET** or any other store which accepts American Express, these cards are for you!! Those participating in the Scrip Tuition Program will receive only 50% of value toward their commitment. AmEx only gives us 1.25%. If we sale gift cards to Wal-Mart please purchase them, we get a higher return then from American Express. **Now there's no reason not to shop Scrip before you go shopping. Visa/Mastercard accepted.**  
Our holiday gift card holders, now in new designs. Purchase your gift; get your card all in one stop. What could be easier! Gift cards holders are \$.50 each.
13. **From the Minister of Youth and Children:**  
**4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ministry...** We meet **this** Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> for our monthly meeting of "T.G.I.S." We meet from 1-3 pm in the gym to play some fun games, eat a snack and hear God's words. Invite your friends and join us for a fun afternoon!  
**7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ministry...** We meet **tonight**, November 21<sup>st</sup> to go Ice Skating in Vacaville! We meet at a special time of **4 pm (in front of the church)** so that we will have plenty of time to stop and eat dinner on the way. Skate time goes from 6-9 pm and we plan to be back by 9:30 pm. Cost is \$10 for skating but you will need extra money for dinner. We will need some of your parents to drive, so if they can please have them call Steve at 290-7980. Otherwise, we are limited to those who have reserved their spots. Hope to see you on Friday at 4 pm!
14. **Hot Lunches: Monday/Wednesday/Friday lunches need to be preordered the week before.**  
**Please do not use the Lunch Coupons for Tues. & Thurs. Lunches.**

<b>Mon. Dec. 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Chicken Nuggets/Fries/Brownie or Chicken Caesar Salad</b>	
<b>Tues. Dec. 2nd</b>	<b>Bean &amp; Cheese Burrito/Chips/Salsa/Salad/Dessert</b>	<b>\$4.00</b>
<b>(Boy Scouts)</b>	<b>Extra Burrito</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
	<b>Candy</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Wed. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Turkey &amp; Cheese Wrap/Salad/Fruit Cup or Chef Salad</b>	
<b>Thurs. Dec. 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Parent/Teacher Conferences-No School or PALS</b>	
<b>Fri. Dec. 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Parent/Teacher Conferences-No School or PALS</b>	

*Remember to preorder your lunch when buying Kinyon (M,W,F) Payment is by checks or coupons only...No cash.  
\$40.00 per 10 coupon book-Preschool  
\$45.00 per 10 coupon book-K-8  
Coupons available in the school office.*

