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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to our girls' and boys' basketball teams! The girls' team came in second place, and the boys' team came in third place in the NIT Basketball Tournament this past weekend. I want to say a big thank you to Bob Hauch and the army of volunteers who made this annual event a great success this year!

Today is the midterm of our second trimester, which means we are halfway through the school year.

A PALS Zoomerang Survey is coming out this next week. If you use our PALS program, please take a few minutes to give us some feedback on this program.

Last week, the congregation at St. John's has started to pick a verse to memorize on a weekly basis. This is an opportunity for us as adults to internalize God's Word. If you are so inclined, I invite all of our school community to join us this practice. The following is this week's verse from Ephesians 3:20-21 – *Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.*

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

1. Sun.	Jan. 25 th	NO Tone Chimes this Sunday
Mon.	Jan. 26	7/8 Basketball-Away-Boys play first
Tues.	Jan. 27	Gesell Information Parent Meeting-6:00 pm-Kindergarten Room
Tues.	Jan. 27	A.P.T. Meeting-6:30 pm in library-PLEASE ATTEND
Wed.	Jan. 28	"Souper Bowl" of Caring-Chapel-See item #7
F-Mon.	Jan 30-Feb 2	7/8 Boys Basketball- Zion, Anaheim Tournament
Sun.	Feb. 1	4 th & 5 th grade choir-10:45 service
M-F	Feb. 2-6	Art Attack Week
Sat.	Feb. 7	Crab Feed-see item #5-This is a change from the school calendar
Sun.	Feb. 8	Choraliers-8:00 am service
Sun.	Feb. 8	Handbells-10:45 service
Sun.	Mar. 1	St. John's Music Festival-Times to be Announced

2. God's Blessings to the students celebrating *Baptismal Birthday*
Arianna Kampton Philip Bartelt Michael Guzman Samantha Yoder

3. Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week:**
Sophia Guerrero Elizabeth Montoro Gunnar DeYoung Bailey Loban Nicholas Reeves
Madison Van Zandt Stephen Santora Max Bowman

4. **Basketball Tournament (NIT):** It was a long weekend, but a rewarding one. The 20th annual Napa Invitational Tournament provided excitement, fun, fellowship, great food, and great basketball. Thank you to all the parents, alumni, friends, and fans who played a role in making this year's tournament a success and a real community event.
Congratulations to our girls' team for their second place finish! The championship game versus St. Apollinaris was an exciting battle, with the Eagles falling 4 points short, losing 34 to 30. Haley Cremen and MacKenzie Mills were named to the All-Tournament Team for St. John's.
In the boys division, St. John's lost on Saturday to the eventual tournament champion Zion, Piedmont, but came back on Sunday to defeat St. Luke, Santa Rosa, 72 to 66 to take 3rd place. Jared Lemke was selected for the All-Tournament Team.

5. **Crab Feed: Hurry, Hurry!** Tickets are now on sale for this year's *Crab Feed*. Our annual crab feed will be held on Saturday, February 7th in the parish hall. **The theme for this year will be the 1980's.** Tickets will remain the same price as last year at \$45.00 per person. Doors will open at 5:30pm with dinner beginning at 6:00 pm. The dinner will be crab, pasta and salad, bread and wine. Be sure to save this date and sign up in the school office to reserve your spots! As always, this is sure to be a great time! We will be having the *Family Wine Lot* as well as a *50/50 raffle*. Don't miss out on a great time, sign up today! Contact Michele Channels at 265.6535 for more information. *Visa/Mastercard accepted.*

6. **Star Gazers:** St. John's has an eight inch aperture, electronically controlled telescope. Among other things, the moon looks amazing, as are the moons of Jupiter and the rings on Saturn. If you are interested in borrowing it to view the night sky from your home, please talk to Mr. Kusel.

7. **Chapel Offerings:** In January we will concentrate on supplying materials to those in Cambodia and Thailand. Please help your children to understand the need of getting God's word out to those who have yet to hear His word. Chapel offerings are collected every Wednesday morning during chapel.

Don't forget about The "Souper Bowl" of Caring that happens this Wednesday, January 28th. That is the day we ask you to bring just \$1 to put in the Soup Bowl at Chapel. All the money collected that day and then again at the worship services on Super Bowl Sunday, will be given to the Napa Food Bank to help feed the poor in Napa. So plan to bring your extra dollar this coming Wednesday, January 28th!

8. **Love & Logic...Parenting Class:** Do you want to lower your stress level? Do you want to teach responsibility and character? Do you want to have immediate and positive effects? Beginning on January 26th we will be offering a parenting class called "*Early Childhood Parenting Made Fun: Creating Happy Families and Responsible Kids*" This is a video/discussion type class for parents of young children.

Some of the topics covered are: Whining and arguing, misbehavior in public, smooth mornings and bedtimes, and much more. We will meet on Monday evenings on Jan. 26th, Feb. 2nd, Feb. 9th, Feb. 23rd, and March 2nd. Pre-registration is necessary because we have to order a workbook for each parent/couple participating. The cost is \$15 payable to St. John's Lutheran School. We will provide child care in the preschool room so you can drop your children off and then meet us in Room 10.

We would like to limit the class to 25 people; so space is available to the first 25 who pre-register and pay for their workbook.

9. **8th Grade Garden:** You may have noticed the thirteen raised bed planters to the south of the gymnasium. These planters were built by the eighth graders. They also filled them with soil and placed bark around them to keep the weeds down. Over the next few weeks the eighth graders will be planting flowers, bulbs, perennials, and vegetables.

10. **Healthquest:** Are you looking for a way to get fit? Are you looking for a way to get healthy? Are you looking for a way to get rid of some of your excess energy? Healthquest Fitness Center might be the way. If you are a member of St. John's Lutheran Church or St. John's Lutheran School you qualify for Healthquest's Corporate Membership Pricing. Stop by the school office for pricing information. Also, you will need a verification form signed by Cindy Zeller which confirms your involvement with the Church/School. Stop by anytime during normal office hours.

11. **Justin-Siena High School Hosts Winter Open House:** The Justin-Siena High School Winter Open House will be held in the school's Peter & Vernice Gasser Library on Thursday, January 29th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Presentations by Admissions Director David Holquin and academic, athletic and arts department heads are scheduled. Families of 7th and 8th graders are encouraged to attend, as well as families interested in transferring to Justin-Siena. The school is located at 4026 Maher St., Napa. Please feel free to call David Holquin, 707-255-0950 ext. 641 with any questions about the Open House and to register for the presentation. Information is also available on the website: www.justin-siena.org.

12. **A Night of Music for New Orleans:** On Friday, January 30th at 7:00 pm a concert benefiting New Orleans Hurricane Victims will be held at The Napa Valley Opera House. Please support this worthy cause in sending more than 40 high school students to help complete the rebuilding of a community center devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Come hear the Napa Valley's top student musicians honor the city with great music and share experiences from last year's trip. A dessert reception with music will follow in the lobby. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students. For tickets call 226.7372 or visit www.nvoh.org.

13. **Justin-Siena Theatre Present Tribute to Playwright Neil Simon:** February 5-8 Justin-Siena will be performing *The Odd Couple* and *The Prisoner of Second Avenue*. Performances will be held in the North Gym at 4026 Maher Street. For times and to reserve tickets, please call the Justin-Theatre Box Office at 255.0950 ext 585 or go online to www.justin-siena.org.

14. **The Scoop From Scrip:** Four months left on the 2008.2009 Scrip Commitment. Escript ended on Dec. 31st. If you shop at Safeway, your club card is now earning money towards the 2009.2010 school year. Continue to come into the school office and purchase the Safeway gift cards. Remember when you use the gift cards along with your club card you receive \$1.50 credit for every \$1.00 spent. Visa/Mastercard accepted.

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

Don't forget about The "Souper Bowl" of Caring that happens this Wednesday, January 28th. That is the day we ask you to bring just \$1 to put in the Soup Bowl at Chapel. All the money collected that day and then again at the worship services on Super Bowl Sunday, will be given to the Napa Food Bank to help feed the poor in Napa. So plan to bring your extra dollar this coming Wednesday, January 28th!

4th, 5th and 6th Grade Ministry... Remember that we meet **this** Sunday, January 25th from 1-3 pm. We'll meet in Room 8 to watch a video, eat some snacks and enjoy the afternoon. The video we will watch is called, "Friendship's Field" and is produced by Feature Films For Families. Hope to see you this Sunday!

7th and 8th Grade Ministry... Join us next Friday, January 30th as we celebrate Christmas! Since we missed the "Christmas Party" in December, we'll celebrate in January. We meet in the gym from 7-9 pm to eat some food around the theme and play some fun "Reindeer Games". Come dressed in your favorite Christmas colors, if you want. Hope to see you there!

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

Please do not use the Lunch Coupons for Tues. & Thurs. Lunches.

Mon. Jan. 26th	Chicken Burrito/Spanish Rice/Churrro or Chicken Caesar Salad	
Tues. Jan. 27th	Grilled Cheese/Salad/Dessert	\$4.00
(Girls Basketball)	Extra Sandwich	\$1.00
Wed. Jan. 28th	Turkey/Mashed Potatoes/Gravy/Green Peas or Chef Salad	
Thurs. Jan 29th	Pepperoni Pizza	\$3.00
	Extra Slice	\$1.50
	Ice Cream	\$.50
Fri. Jan. 30th	Hamburger/French Fries/Fresh Fruit Cup or Chicken Caesar Salad	