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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

This Wednesday was Ash Wednesday, which is the beginning of the Lenten season. During the six weeks of Lent, we remember the Passion of Jesus Christ. It is a somber time of self reflection when we look at Christ's journey to the cross and the act of sacrifice and salvation that followed. I pray that this Lenten season is a blessing to you. St. John's Lutheran Church is using this Lenten season to focus on "40 days of purpose", a program to identify what God's purpose is for each one of us. If you are interested in more information about this program, or want to become involved, please contact the church office.

Next week is Lutheran Schools week. This is a week set aside each year by our Lutheran Church body to recognize the contributions of Lutheran schools across the country. It is also a time to celebrate the students, families, and teachers that make up the St. John's family. We will have some activities planned for next week to help celebrate this week, starting with the Music Festival as part of our church services this coming Sunday.

For those interested in applying for financial aid for the 2009-10 school year, you may pick up an application from the school office. This year we are moving up our deadline for the initial review of those applications to March 31. That way, we can inform applicants of any financial assistance a little earlier than in the past. We know that some of you are dealing with financial difficulties, and we want to help if we can.

For those who attended LEST, there are pictures posted on the website.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| Mar. 1-6 | Lutheran Schools Week |
| Sun. Mar. 1 | St. John's Music Festival-See item 5 for times |
| Thurs. Mar. 5 | Open House-6:30 pm-8:00 pm-Everyone is welcome |
| Mon. Mar. 9 | Dine & Donate-La Taquiza Fish Tacos-All Day-Support 8th grade |
| Thurs. Mar. 19 | School Musical -"Are we There Yet?" 6:30 pm |
- God's Blessings to the students celebrating *Baptismal Birthday*
Madeline Anderson Antonio Ferrini
- Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week:**
Sarah Ginn Trent Mooers Devon McMahon Cate Bozzini Haley Cremen Heidi Richter
- Lutheran School Week Celebration!** Come worship with us on Sunday at 8:00am or 10:45 am and listen to our beautiful choirs. See item #5 below for the choir's times.
Please wear the following colors to school during the week of March 1st. **Monday-Green** is for "Grow", **Tuesday-Yellow** is for "Light", **Wednesday-White** is for our sins being washed away; **Thursday-Blue** is for eternal life in heaven and **Friday-Red** is for Love.
Here are some other happenings:
 - ❖ Be sure and check out our Flower Garden Art which will be displayed by Room 10 with all our children's names on a flower.
 - ❖ On Tuesday, March 3rd, we will be having coffee, supplied by Charlie Sange-Napa Valley Coffee Roasting Co. on "Joel's Patio" at drop off time. If weather is rainy stop by room 10 for coffee with the principal.
 - ❖ Wednesday we will have a surprise guest preacher!
 - ❖ Thursday will be a busy day. Their will be a free vision screening for preschool thru second grade children; we will be having a school-wide assembly @ 2:00 pm featuring "Ropeworks" and we will be having open house from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm. Be sure to invite your family and friends to open house. We will begin in the gym and then continue to the classrooms.
- Music Festival:** This year's Music Festival will be held on Sunday, March 1st. The Handbells, Kindergarten & First Grade choir and the Fourth and Fifth grade choir will sing at the 8:00 am service. Preschool choir, Second and Third grade choir, Tone Chimes and Choraliers will sing at the 10:45 service.
- Free Vision Screening** – On March 6th, 9th, and 10th, Pediatric Vision Screeners will be at St. John's Lutheran School to conduct free vision screenings to all children in preschool through second grade. Information will be sent home with your child and needs to be returned before March 6th in order for your child to participate. This service is being offered free of charge thanks to the California-Hawaii Elks clubs. If you are not interested in having your child participate, please let your child's teacher know.

7. **Misson India projects:**
 - a. **Business Directory:** Sarah Santora and Jeanette Russell are putting together a directory of businesses which are owned and/or operated by the St. John's Lutheran Church and School community. We are asking for a business card or a 2 1/2" x 3" ad with your business name, address, phone number, e-mail address (if you choose), your name and \$5.00. This directory will be published as a courtesy and convenience to our church and school community. There will be no expectation of discounts or preferential treatment, just the opportunity for us to patronize a fellow church or school community individual's business. If interested, pick up a return envelope in the school or church office and mail the information to the noted address by **Monday, March 16, 2009**. We are doing this as a **"Multiplication Project"** sending all proceeds to **Mission India**. If you have any questions please contact Sarah at 224-2655 or Jeanette at 254-8050.
 - b. **Zinsvalley Restaurant:** Use your Zinsvalley Restaurant scrip to help **Mission India**. In the month of March, \$1.00 will be donated for every curry dish sold. Try it vegetarian style, curry with chicken or "Chef Greg's favorite" spicy with shrimp.
 - c. **Mission India Multiplication Project:** Mini Garden will donate 10% of your dine in or take out meal total to our **Mission India Multiplication Project** from **March 1st through March 7th**. Please pick up the necessary flyer in the Church or school office before you visit Mini Garden. Mini Garden is located at 3381 California Way in Napa, 224.2909.
8. **March 9 Dine & Donate at La Taquiza Fish Tacos:** All friends and families of St. John's Lutheran School are invited to come and join us for "dine and donate" at La Taquiza Fish Tacos on Monday, March 9th. La Taquiza Fish Tacos is located at 2007 Redwood Road in the Redwood Plaza. Enjoy the great tacos (Chicken/Fish/Carne Asada), salads and their great home-made tortilla chips and salsa. Come anytime for lunch/dinner and/or order take outs by calling 224-2320. A flyer must be presented at the register at time of purchase. A percentage of proceeds on March 9 will go towards the 8th grade graduation class in support of graduation activities and events. Additional flyers are available at the school office or you may contact Myrna Bigelow by email mpbigelow@comcast.net for a copy. 8th graders and parents thank you for your support. See you all on March 9th!!
9. **Care Packages for Soldiers in Iraq:** Mrs. King, our preschool director, has a nephew in the U.S. Navy who has been serving in Iraq since October. He will be deployed until June, 2009. If you are interested in helping to put together a care package, the preschool will be collecting some items to mail to him and his unit. This is a wonderful service opportunity for you and your family to take part in. Collections will begin on March 2nd and continue until March 20th. Thank you in advance for your help! Suggestions: Sunscreen, chapstick, small mirrors, socks, washcloths, breath mints, cookies, gum, Frisbees, magazines playing cards, granola bars, etc.etc.etc.
10. **Bling T-shirts Reduced:** Tammi Mazziliano has made shirts for St. John's girls and moms. They have been reduced to \$20.00 cut \$5.00 per shirt will continue to go back to the school. Take a look at them in the school office.
11. **Voena:** Jefferson Award Winner, Annabelle Marie, brings her choir *Voena* to St. John's Lutheran. Join the internationally acclaimed youth singers. All are welcome, no auditions necessary. The only requirement is your desire to sing! New members will be accepted all January and February. Practices will be held at The Berkshire at 2300 Brown Street until March 16th then beginning March 23rd the choir will begin practicing in St. John's sanctuary from 3:30-4:00. For more information please go to www.voena.org or call 751-1515.
12. **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.
13. **The Scoop From Scrip:** Don't forget to buy your Scrip gift cards in the school office for all your shopping needs, groceries, gasoline, coffee, juices, clothing, shoes, and so much more. Every time you buy a Scrip card you are donating to St. John's APT and contributing to your child's success. What could be better!!
14. **From the Minister of Youth and Children:**
8th Grade Ministry... Students that are in 8th Grade and who are involved in Confirmation don't forget about the Mini-Retreat that happens **tomorrow**, February 28th! We meet at 8:30 am in the Blue Church Van to go somewhere special for the morning. We should be back to the Church by 1:30 pm.
15. **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. March 2nd	Chicken Nuggets/French Fries/Brownie or Chicken Caesar Salad	
Tues. March 3rd	Grilled Cheese/Salad/Dessert	\$4.00
(5th grade Yosemite Trip)	Extra Sandwich	\$1.00
Wed. March 4th	Crispy Taco/Green Salad/Churro or Chef Salad	
Thurs. March 5th	Cheese Pizza	\$3.00
	Extra Slice	\$1.50
	Ice Cream	\$.50
Fri. March 6th	Penne Pasta & Meatballs/Garlic Bread/Dessert Bar or Chicken Caesar Salad	