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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

This past week I received a Call to serve as the Principal of Forest Hills Lutheran School in Cornelius, Oregon. Although I am very happy at St. John's, I feel it is important for me to take a good look at this offer and decide what God's Will is for my future ministry. In the Lutheran Church, the Call process is the way that congregations and schools seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in selecting individuals to serve in the role of pastor, principal, teacher, or other ministry related positions. I ask for your prayers and support as I determine the Lord's direction for my ministry. I plan to visit at Forest Hills next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Congratulations to our Boys' Basketball team! They were the champions of the Zion Lutheran Tournament in Anaheim, California this past weekend. They defeated St. John's Lutheran School in Orange for the championship. Ryan Imhoff was the tournament MVP and Stephen Santora was on the all-tournament team.

This coming week, a number of our 5th – 8th graders and parents will be traveling to Portland, Oregon to participate in the Lutheran Elementary School Tournament. This is a tournament with Lutheran schools from all over the Northwest and Northern California. Students will compete in basketball, swimming, dance, chess, knowledge bowl, science, math, spelling, writing, drama, vocal and instrumental music, handbells, and tone chimes. Please keep our students and adults in your prayers as we travel to Portland.

For those who were not able to attend the LEST parent information meeting on Thursday night, please come by the office to pick up a packet for your child. Also remember that we have spirit packs and special St. John's LEST long sleeve t-shirts for sale in the school office for \$12 each.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| 1. Sat | Feb | 6 | 7/8 Basketball-Home-Boy's 10:00 am, Girl's 11:15 am & Boy's 1:00 pm |
| Sun. | Feb. | 7 | Hand Bells-10:45 service |
| Mon. | Feb. | 8 | 7/8 Boy's Basketball-Away-Boy's only |
| Wed-Sun | Feb. | 10-14 | L.E.S.T.-Portland, Oregon |
| Mon. | Feb. | 15 | President's Day-No School or PALS |
| Tues. | Feb | 16 | APT meeting-6:00- library-childcare will be provided |
| Thurs. | Feb. | 18 | Parent Meeting-Item #9 |
| Sun. | Feb | 21 | Choraliers-8:00 am service |
- God's Blessings to the students celebrating **Baptismal Birthdays**:
Trenton Nethercott Tristan Nethercott Autumn Nethercott
- Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week**:
Casey Kleis Peter Bowman-Davis Grace Guzman Olivia Capiaux Chris Fruit Eleanor Crudgington
Nik Best Stephen Santora
- "Kaitlyn's Law:"** California Vehicle Code Section 15620 states: a) A parent, legal guardian, or other person responsible for a child who is 6 years of age or younger may not leave that child inside a motor vehicle without being subject to the supervision of a person who is 12 years of age or older, under either of the following circumstances:
 - Where there are conditions that present a significant risk to the child's health or safety.
 - When the vehicle's engine is running or the vehicle's keys are in the ignition, or both.

For the safety of all of our children please adhere to this law. You may think it is no big deal until something very unfortunate and preventable happens.

Also, the front parking lot is to be used by Preschool parents, church and school staff and visitors only!! Elementary students are to be dropped off and picked up in the large southern parking lot!
- Box Tops for Education:** Attached to this Blue Note is your collection bag for your box tops. Please be sure to put your child's name and grade on each bag. Return your "collection" to the school office no later than Wednesday, February 24th. We will be having a drawing from those names on the baggies for some special prizes. Good Luck!!
- Lunch Supervisors Needed:** We are in dire need for more lunchtime supervisors. If you are available between 11:30 am and 1:00 pm we need your help. This is either a volunteer or paid position. When we don't have proper supervision our teacher's need to cover yard duty; which means they don't get a break! Please contact the school office if you are able to help.
- Spirit Bags:** Show support for SJLS with our new **Spirit Bags**. For only \$12 you will receive the bag with St. John's Lutheran and Eagle on the front, zipper in front to secure items. Inside are two pom poms, cow bell and hand clapper all in our school colors. Draw string closure also allows you to carry it backpack style. Great to take to L.E.S.T. or any of our sport games or dance performances or to just carry your gear. Purchase yours today in the school office.
Still available are the SJL t-shirts designed with beaded jewels-\$20.00

8. **ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR'S CORNER: TUITION ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE:** If the cost of tuition is a deciding factor in your re-enrollment plans for next year, just a reminder that tuition assistance may be an option for your family. You may download an application form or apply online at the school website, stjohnsnapa.org. Worksheets are also available in the school office.

EASY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: A "Connection Committee" is forming to help advertise St. John's school events and activities to the Napa community and surrounding areas. If you are interested in helping, please contact me. Thank you! Kristin Goller, Admissions Counselor: 287-6864 or kgoller@stjohnsnapa.org

9. **PARENT MEETING:**

All parents from Preschool thru Third Grade are Invited!!
Does your child have problems with any of these issues?

- * Planning & Organizing Tasks
- * Distractibility
- * Functioning Appropriately in the Classroom
- * Emotional Outbursts
- * Concentrating
- * Staying or Sitting in his/her seat
- * Personal Space

Sarah Fuerstenau will be here from Pathways Pediatric Therapy Center. She will be talking about identifying children who have Sensory Integration challenges and what can we do to help them at home and at school. There are strategies that we can use to help our children focus, learn and behave in the classroom and school environment, and at home.

When: Thursday, February 18, 2010

Where: Preschool Classroom

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Cost: None

Please RSVP to Janis King at jking@stjohnsnapa.org or call 226-7970 ext 107

10. **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?

When parents start using "Love & Logic" in their children's early lives, they dramatically up the odds that the teenage years will be fun instead of frantic!! Parents will learn a practical set of tools to help raise super kids! Some of the topics covered are: whining and arguing, misbehavior in public, smooth mornings and bedtimes, calm sibling bickering and battling, calm mealtimes, tooth brushing, bathing, etc.

Beginning on February 22nd we will be offering a parenting class entitled, "Early Childhood Parenting Made Fun: Creating Happy Families and Responsible Kids" This is a DVD/discussion class for parents of young children and it will run for 5 weeks. We will meet on Mondays, from 11:30am until 1:00pm in room 10. Childcare will be available for preschool age children. Pre- registration is necessary so that we can order a workbook for you to keep. The cost is \$15.00.

Please contact Janis King at jking@stjohnsnapa.org or call 226-7970 ext 107.

11. **BACKSTAGE WITH THE BIBLE... A Vacation Bible School Experience!!!!** This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held during the week of June 21-25, 2010.

Our theme is "BACKSTAGE WITH THE BIBLE" by the GoFishGuys!! At a concert, the only thing better than a front row seat is a backstage pass! Kids are always very curious about what it's like to go backstage. Each day, the children will start out with their own "concert" experience worshipping and singing with the Go Fish Guys. Then they'll take their backstage passes to go backstage with the Bible. Volunteers of all ages are needed in many different areas. (teachers, kitchen helpers, recreational helpers, singers, etc.

VBS will be held from 9:00 am till 12:00pm so mark your calendars now! For more information and to volunteer please contact Janis King at jking@stjohnsnapa.org or call 226-7970 ext. 107.

12. **The Scoop From Scrip: Valentines Day** is one week away...Lunch/Dinner out for that special couple? Consider *ZinsValley Restaurant* (5%), *Compadres Bar & Grill* (20%), *Monticello Deli* (8%), *Downtown Joes* (15%), *Applebee's* (8%) or *Marie Callender's* (18%). That special card? *Hallmark* (4%) A movie out?...*Cinemark- Cinedome* in Napa or Vallejo (4%) or *Regal Theater* - Edwards in Fairfield (8%). A little treat?*ColdStone* (8%), *Jamba Juice* (7%) and don't forget *See's Candies* (23%).

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

7th and 8th Grade Ministry... Save the date... We meet again on Friday, February 19th for "SnowBall Night"! Join us for a fun and exciting night of playing with snow balls! We meet from 7-9 pm and you may dress in your snow attire, if you like. Tell your friends and make sure to join us for a fun night!

8th Grade Confirmation members... Don't forget that we meet for a special "Mini-Retreat" on Saturday, February 27th. We'll meet in large parking lot at 8:15 am and go to a special place for our meeting. Lunch will be included, so you make sure you are with us! Any questions, contact your Adult Guide.

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.

Monday, Feb. 8	Spaghetti/Meatballs/Cookie or Chef Salad	
Tuesday, Feb. 9 (Yosemite)	Hot Dogs/Chips/Cupcakes/Fruit	\$4.00
	Additional Hot Dog	\$1.00
	Additional Dessert	\$.50
Wednesday, Feb. 10	Corn dog/Tater Tots/Fruit or Chicken Caesar Salad	
Thursday Feb. 11	Cheese Pizza	\$3.00
	Extra Slice	\$1.50
	Ice Cream	\$.50
Friday, Feb. 12	Burgers/Fries/Fruit or Chef Salad	