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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

I want to thank all of the parents who attended our Open House last night. It was a great event and I appreciate all of the hard work of our teachers and staff preparing for this event.

This past week we have celebrated Lutheran Schools Week! This has been a week of some special activities and performances. This school has truly been blessed, not only by the tremendous staff that we have, but by all of you – the families of St. John's. This is a special community of families who provide this school with great kids! Lutheran Schools Week ends this Sunday with our annual Music Festival during the 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 p.m. services. Please be sure to check which service your child is singing at. This is a special event, and I look forward to seeing you all there!

In the coming months, we will be implementing a new web based school management system that will make communication and organization of information much more efficient. This new system, called FastDirect Communications will allow teachers and staff to share information like assignments, grades, and school news much easier. If you are interested in seeing a demo of this program, you can go to fastdir.com, click on the **FastDirect Demonstration Site**, and try it out using the parent login information. More specific information on using this system will be coming out later this spring. Our teachers and staff will be going through a more in depth training session on April 23, and we will begin implementing it at that point.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| Fri-Sun | Mar. | 3-7 | 7/8 Boys Basketball-St. Apollinaris Tournament-First game Wed. 4:30 p.m.-St. A's |
| Fri-Sun. | Mar. | 5-7 | 7/8 Girls Basketball-Lodi Tournament-First game Friday 12:30 pm-Away |
| Sun. | Mar. | 7 | Music Festival |
| | | | 8:00 am service 2nd & 3rd grade choir, Tone Chimes, Choraliers |
| | | | 10:45 am service Preschool, Kdg & 1st grade choir, 4th & 5th grade choir, Handbells |
| Tues. | March | 16 | 7/8 Basketball Parent/Player/Alumni Game-6:30 pm |
| Sat. | May | 8 | LSAA Track Meet-Fremont-Tentative |

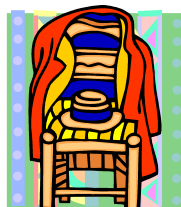
- God's Blessings to the students celebrating *Baptismal Birthdays*:

Bryce Burnham Benjamin Franklin

- Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week**:

Brayden Greenlee Luke Galles Matthew Wahlers Ally Burnham Sandy Morneault
Courtney Wright

- Lost and Found:** We are having a real problem with items, which have the students name inside, being misplaced and not returned when they are found. One family is missing a Land's End green puffy vest, a Lands End green polar fleece and a St. John's blue embroidered blue fleece. Each item has the student's name. Please look through your child's clothing and make sure it belongs to you. Many items are similar so please be sure to put your name on your outerwear and be sure to check all items at home to make sure they belong to your family.



5. **EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCE:** Direct from a smash hit engagement in London, the spectacular new stage production of JM Barrie's *PETER PAN* is coming to San Francisco to make it's U.S. premiere. Janis King has a limited amount of tickets for the **Sunday Matinee on May 23rd**. The show starts at 1:00pm and all tickets are \$45 (adults and children). Please reserve your space now by contacting Janis King and paying for the tickets by March 5th! First come, first served! BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!!

Conceived by an award-winning creative team and featuring actors, puppets, epic music, dazzling flying sequences, *PETER PAN* is truly an extraordinary experience for all ages! The world's first 360 degree video production for live theater is part of the show, as well. Ferry Park on the Embarcadero will be a magical destination for you and your family! Don't miss out on this fun event for all St. John's family members!! The show is 2 ½ hours in length with an intermission.

For more information, please contact Janis King at (707)226-7970 ext. 107 or email at jking@stjohnsnapa.org.

6. **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.

7. **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!!

8. **ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR'S CORNER: PRESCHOOL PLAY DAY, MARCH 21, 12:30-2:00 pm:**

This open house is being offered for families not currently enrolled at St. John's. Families interested in our wonderful preschool program are invited to join us for a time of festivities, fun and refreshments. While the kids play, parents will have the opportunity to talk with Mrs. King and Mr. Wahlers about the preschool program at St. John's. RSVP required please to the school office: 226-7970, Ext. 101; czeller@stjohnsnapa.org or to Kristin Goller, Admissions Counselor: 287-6864; kgoller@stjohnsnapa.org. Thank you!

9. **From the Minister of Youth and Children: 7th and 8th Grade Ministry...**Our next Confirmation Learning Event happens on **Thursday, March 18th** from 7:00-8:30 pm. And the special "1-Day Retreat" happens on Saturday, April 17th. Make sure to mark these special dates on your calendar!

10. **Hot Lunches: Monday/Wednesday/Friday lunches need to be preordered the week before.**
Please do not use the Lunch Coupons for Tues. & Thurs. Lunches.

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| Monday, March 8 | Hot Dogs/Chili Beans/Pudding or Chef Salad | |
| Tuesday, March 9 | Bean/Cheese Burrito, Chips/Fruit-Veg./Dessert | \$4.00 |
| (Youth Group) | Additional Burrito | \$1.00 |
| | Additional Dessert | \$.50 |
| Wednesday, March 10 | Hoagie Sandwich/Fries/Fruit or Chicken Caesar salad | |
| Thursday March 11 | Cheese Pizza | \$3.00 |
| | Extra Slice | \$1.50 |
| | Ice Cream | \$.50 |
| Friday, March 12 | Chicken Nuggets/Green Salad/Pudding or Chef Salad | |