

THE BLUEJAY BULLETIN

November 18th, 2020

PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Sent to Serve

Relationships Count BONUS!

As we wrap up this series based on the research presented in the book "Relationships Count", I add a bonus lesson not presented in the book! Pew Research Center data shows that children who grew up in families with great hospitality were much more likely to retain their faith in adulthood. Interesting! Families who shared their homes and meals with others also tended to share their faith in meaningful ways with their friends and neighbors. Well, this truly can be difficult to do during this COVID-19 pandemic, especially as we have seen an abrupt rise in cases over the last few weeks. So, how do we show hospitality even during a pandemic?

While we may not feel comfortable inviting others to our house, we can still provide meals for those who need it most, for instance, the families currently dealing with COVID, or we can find an opportunity to serve our neighbors in need of a meal as well. St. Paul's Lutheran Church provides Thanksgiving Meals to families in need each year as well. If you would like to donate to that ministry, please contact the church office.

Action Item: Provide some form of hospitality to a neighbor or family in need over the next week!

Calendar

MONDAY 11/23

No School

Extended Care Open 6 AM-6 PM

TUESDAY 11/24

No School

Extended Care Open 6 AM-6 PM

WEDNESDAY 11/25

No School

7 PM Thanksgiving Service

THURSDAY 11/26

No School

9:30 AM Thanksgiving Service

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

FRIDAY 11/27

No School

COMING UP

Thursday November 19th, 7 PM
PTL Meeting

St. Paul's Lutheran School Mission

We teach God's Word through a loving, Christ-centered education while assisting families in equipping students to follow Jesus.

Early Dismissal:

Thanksgiving Break
November 23-28th
Extended Care
available 11/23-24

Holiday Travels

As many will be traveling throughout Thanksgiving and Christmas, we ask that you do your part to help keep our school family safe. Please work to limit your interactions and exposures, wear a mask when appropriate, and do not return to school unless healthy.

Thank you!

Prayer List:

All Families- That relationships may be strengthened and find peace.

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Christmas Eve Update: It's that time of year already! Plans are being made for our Children's Christmas Eve Service. As is the norm for this unique year, things will be a bit different. We will be recording portions of the service in order to play and stream a video of the children taking part in the service. More specific details and schedules will come at a later date, but we wanted to let parents know those class recordings will take place the week after Thanksgiving break. On your child's scheduled recording day, we ask that he/she comes dressed in church attire. We recommend students wear their "Christmas outfit," but that is not required. Be on the lookout for more information regarding the Christmas Eve Service. Please practice memorizing parts and songs with your children as well! Currently, St. Paul's plans Children's Christmas Eve Services on December 24th at 10 AM, 5 PM, and 7 PM. St. Paul's (Church) still plans on providing the 10 PM candlelight service. Thank you for your patience during these changes.

Saint Paul Christkindlesmarkt

Please sign-up to help make gingerbread or help by being a vendor representative (1 hour intervals) for our sale of gingerbread at the Christkindlesmarkt. Sign-up link has been emailed and is on Facebook!

Thank you for your help!

Apparel Sale

Have you started your Christmas shopping yet? Check out the St. Paul's Elementary School Apparel Store. The online store will close at 2pm on Monday, November 23.
https://stores.inksoft.com/st_pauls_element_school.../shop/home

Chapel Offering - November

Lutheran Emergency Response
Team

Verse of the Month

No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

Matthew 6:24



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