

Thank you to the Bethlehem Ladies Aid for the wonderful Christmas luncheon that was served to the students and staff on Monday, December 6th. A huge thank you also from the students for the lovely Christmas ornaments and candy. The students enjoyed singing some Christmas carols to the ladies. The 1st and 2nd grade students made gingerbread center pieces for the tables. This is a yearly event that we all look forward to. Thank you.

CALENDAR

Jan. 6 First Day back to school

Jan. 6 3rd Quarter begins

Jan. 7 Report cards sent home

Jan. 9 School Board meeting

Jan. 13 Birthday Pizza lunch

Jan. 23 All students sing in church

Jan. 23-28 Lutheran Schools Week

Jan. 24 PTL meeting

Jan. 26 Spelling Bee

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jan. 15 MaKayla Berkey

Jan. 15 Jacob Bultemeier

Jan. 21 Ronnie Trammel

Jan. 31 Matthew Rekeweg



Bethlehem 24th Annual Invitational Basketball Tournament The dates have been set and brackets are being worked on. Please mark your calendars and plan to come cheer the Bethlehem Tigers! More information will be sent home as received.



JV boys January 7th & 8th JV girls January 14th & 15th Varsity boys January 21st & 22nd Varsity girls February 4th & 5th

As a parent, you probably know that keeping your kids from spending all day (and night!) on their devices can be a challenge, and you're not alone. But finding a quick and easy way to manage screen time and filter the web doesn't have to be mission impossible — or cost an arm and a leg.

Bethlehem has partnered with Bark to offer our families a free Bark Jr subscription (\$60/year value) for life!

Use the URL below to activate your free Bark Jr account: https://www.bark.us/bark-jr/signup?ref=JFK944B

What am I getting with a free Bark Jr account?

Ability to manage screen time on mobile devices Set different rules for school time and bedtime Filter which websites your kids can visit Keep up with kids with location check-ins



What is Bark?

In addition to screen time, Bark can help parents proactively monitor text messages, YouTube, emails, and 30+ different social networks for potential safety concerns, so busy parents can save time and gain peace of mind. Bark currently helps protect over 5.6 million kids in the US. Thank you

Bethlehem Lutheran School

This is the student portal Mr. Meyer maintains that gives the students quick access to a lot of our programs. Parents may also access this site to see what is going on in grades 3 - 8 grades. https://sites.google.com/bethlsossian.org/bethlehemstudentportal/home

PRIVACY NOTICE

We all love to share pictures of our child's school activities and accomplishments. However, we have to be very careful where those pictures are posted and respect that other students might also be in the picture. Parents please remember to respect do not post pictures that may have students in them other than your own child. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office before posting anything. Thank you

Preparing for the Cold

As we see winter here Northern Indiana, we prepare our homes, cars, and family for the cold.

There was a teacher who was helping one of her kindergarten students put his boots on. He asked for help and she could see why. With her pulling and him pushing, the boots still didn't want to go on.

When the second boot was finally on, she had worked up a sweat. She almost whimpered when the little boy said, "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet." She looked, and sure enough, they were. It wasn't any easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on. She managed to keep her cool as together they worked to get the boots back on – this time on the right feet.

He then announced, "These aren't my boots." She bit her tongue rather than get right in his face and scream, "Why didn't you say so?" like she wanted to. Once again, she struggled to help him pull the ill-fitting boots off.

He then said, "They're my brother's boots. My Mom made me wear them." The teacher didn't know if she should laugh or cry. She mustered up the grace to wrestle the boots on his feet again.

She said, "Now, where are your mittens?" Smiling he said, "I stuffed them in the toes of my boots."

In many ways we like the teacher are faced with situations that we only know part of the information. Our job as parents and teachers is to guide the students in learning. Many times what we prepare for and what happens are two different things. It is good to know and remember that God does not change. As a new year is upon us, Bethlehem Church and School keep teaching the unchangeable Word where we can turn for the truth.

In Christ,

Mark Schallhorn

HOLIDAY SERVICES - Please join us for worship:

December 22 - Bethlehem Lutheran School Children's Christmas Service 7:00 p.m. All students should be at church by 6:30 p.m. Please meet in your classrooms

The Bethlehem Youth Group will be serving light refreshments before the service

December 24- Christmas Eve 7:00 p.m.

December 25 - Christmas Day 9:00 a.m.

December 31 - New Year's Eve 7:00 p.m.

Weather permitting the students will be going outside for recess time. Please have your child dress appropriately for the weather.

Potential delays and cancellations for Bethlehem will follow the same as Northern Wells Community Schools. Sign up for text alerts at www.wane.com/text-alerts.

Bethlehem will be closed December 23-January 5 for Winter Break

Elearning packets will again be used this year for weather related closings

SGO TAX CREDITS are GOING FAST! The Scholarship Granting Organization of Indiana is urging donors wanting to support SGO scholarships and receive the 50% State Tax Credit to make your donations NOW. Your donation will go to help our Bethlehem Lutheran School families who struggle with tuition cost but want to be sure they are providing a Christian Education for their children. Thank you To donate, go to: www.lutheransgo.org or pick up an application in the school office.

With Gradelink you can stay updated on your child's academic progress at school and get information on upcoming assignments such as assignment descriptions and due dates. The following information is available to you when you **log in to Gradelink**:

- Current Grade in each class
- Current GPA for the term, if applicable
- Descriptions, Grades, and Teacher Comments for graded assignments
- Descriptions and Due Dates for upcoming assignments
- Assignment handouts or documents (attachments)
- Email Alerts you can configure for grades and attendance
- Attendance Information
- Transcript Information, if applicable
- Billing Information, if applicable

To access this information go to www.gradelink.com and click on the green Log In button.

PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU NEED ANY HELP



Sign up today!

Shop at Kroger and help Bethlehem Lutheran School tuition assistance fund with the **Kroger Community Rewards Program**.

Register online at krogercommunityrewards.com, be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with Bethlehem Lutheran School as your organization for the reward. The NPO number for Bethlehem is WG595#.

If you don't have a Kroger Plus card, they are available at the customer service desk.

Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered card when shopping for each purchase to count.

PLAN TO USE SCRIP FOR ALL YOUR SHOP-PING NEEDS Please contact our Scrip coordinator, Melissa Price at 260-433-5307. Thank you to the church congregation and school families for supporting the Scrip Program. Over the years, we have been able to financially support the church general fund and participating school families who have applied credits toward their child's tuition.

Keep On Clipping... . <u>NEW INFORMATION</u>

Box Tops receipts, Spirit of America labels, and Tyson labels are all worth money for our school. To redeem Box Top products, you will need to download the Box Tops app on your phone and then scan each receipt that contains your Box Tops products. The Spirit of America and Tyson labels can still be turned in to school. Since Community Market has closed in our area, we will no longer be collecting receipts from them. For questions, contact Jeni Harkless our new label coordinator,

KEEP ON CLIPPING and SCANNING!



THIRD Quarter Chapel Mission Project

Our third quarter project has not yet been determined but it will be something along going with The Lutheran Partnership. More information will be sent home soon.

During the 2nd quarter of this school year, our school families supported the Northern Wells Food Pantry. Along with our chapel offering, we also donated food pantry items. Thank you to everyone for their continued support.

Recycling Guide Yes

What can go in Bins?
School/Office Paper
News Paper

Junk Mail

Hard & Soft Cover Books

Magazines

Shredded Paper (bagged in clear plastic)

NEW!! - Paperboard (cereal type boxes)

NEW!! - Cardboard (12" x 12" or smaller)





Thank you from the student's raising money for their class trip to Washington D.C.

December / January

Pizza Birthday Lunch with the Principal

Thursday, September 13th at 12:00 Noon

Those celebrating will be:

Annabelle Fuhrmann, Maddox Kelley, Emma Campbell,
Rachel Werling, Makayla Berkey, Jacob Bultemeier, Ronnie

Trammel, Matthew Rekeweg



Bethlehem Lutheran School Annual SPELLING BEE

Will be held on Wednesday, January 26th at 1:15 Grades 1st – 4th grade will start at 1:15 Grades 5th – 8th grade will follow

This year we will not be joining the National Spelling Bee.

Bethlehem winners will be awarded a special prize from the school.

Spectator's are welcome!



National Lutheran Schools Week provides more than 1,800 preschools, elementary schools and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us in schools of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families.

National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve.

Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike.

Each day we will have a special activity and dress day.

Sunday, January 23rd - Grades K-8 will sing in church
Monday, January 24th - Inside / Out Day
Tuesday, January 25th - Sports Dress Day
Wednesday, January 26th - Dress your Best Day
Thursday, January 27th - Dress like your favorite book character
Friday, January 28th - Bethlehem School Spirit Day

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ALIVE & WELL Helping Teens Make Healthy Chaices

Hello Friends,

If you are like me, you are concerned about the lies that society is telling our young people. That is why I am thankful to live in a community where Alive & Well can reach teens with the truth! By presenting our interactive programs to students in middle and high schools, we point out their value and encourage them not to follow the crowd We remind them that their choices today will affect them tomorrow, to respect and empathize with others and that it's important to seek help when life gets hard. Self discipline, internet safety, abstinence, goal setting, and stress management are just a few of the numerous topics we cover.

The partnership of community members like you allows us to continue to present and expand our programs. Our donors directly impact the future of their own community by helping young people reach their full potential and live happy, healthy lives.

Listen to what the kids have to say about Alive & Well through our anonymous, online survey.

I didn't know that there was so much involved in a committed healthy relationship.

I feel more empowered because the program helped me and has shown me a path that is a lot better than the one I was going down

I feel like i now know how to handle things well. i learned that i can say no to people if i'm getting pressured and i can make the right choice on what to do next

Alive & Well has helped me talk to my parents about problems I'm dealing with right now.

These classes renewed my confidence by knowing that I am not the only one going through these things.

As we dive into a new year, will you consider supporting our classes in **Adams, Wells and Huntington Counties** with a generous year end gift? You can donate on our website through PayPal or in the enclosed envelope. Thank you so much for helping us reach thousands of young people!

Have a blessed Christmas!

Wendy Bailey
Executive Director
Alive & Well

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Bethlehem Lutheran School Lunch Menu January 2021



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6 Chicken Nuggets Broccoli Vegy Choice Applesauce Pretzel	13 Chicken tenders ders Corn Broccoli Mixed Berry Cup Goldfish Crackers	20 Chicken & Noodles dles Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fruit Choice Dinner Roll	27 Breakfast Wrap Tri-Tator Vegy Choice Orange Slices	made in
	12 Pancakes & Sausage Tri-Tator Cherry Tomatoes Juice	19 Cheeseburger French Fries Baked Beans Pears	26 Walking Taco Salad Corn Strawberry cup Cookie	
	11 Nachos w/ Meat and cheese Refried Beans Salad Pineapple Chunks Churro	18 Calzone Marinara Sauce Vegy Choice Blueberries Fruit Snacks	25 Pasta w/meat sauce Green Beans Cherry Tomatoes Mixed Berry cup Biscuit	
School Lunch	10 Pizza Peas Vegy Choice Peaches	17 Popcorn Chicken Fried Rice Carrots & Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Fortune Cookie	24 Chicken Patty Sandwich Tater Tots Broccoli w/cheese Peaches	31 Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Carrots & Celery Chips Fruit Slushie
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