

### Welcome to the Bethlehem Star Newsletter!

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# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

#### Friday, February 5

#### Saturday, February 6 5:30 pm Worship

#### Sunday, February 7

8:00 am Worship w/ Communion 10:30 am Worship

#### Monday, February 8

3:15 - 4;30 pm Boys A Practice 4:45 – 6:00 pm Boys B Practice 6:00 pm PTL Meeting

#### Tuesday, February 9

3:15 - 4:30 pm Girls A and Girls B Practice 5:30 pm Boys B @ BLS vs SJL

7:00 pm Boys A @ BLS vs SJL

#### Wednesday, February 10

3:15 - 4:30 pm Boys B Practice 5:30 pm Girls A @ BLS vs SJL 6:00 pm Worship w/ Communion

#### Thursday, February 11

4:30 pm Girls A @ BLS vs Faith 6:00 pm Boys A @ BLS vs Faith 6:30 - 7:15 pm 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Band 7:15 - 8:00 pm 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Band

#### Friday, February 12

## **February 5, 2021**

decide to enroll at a later date.

#### Re-enrollment/Enrollment for 2021-22 Now Open / Deadline March 8

Re-enrollment/Enrollment for returning families is now open. To help our planning, we ask that re-enrollment take place by Monday, March 8, 2021. PATTENTION We will open enrollment to new families after the March 8 deadline and can not guarantee that seats will be available if you

Remember re-enrollment is not complete and your child's spot is not guaranteed until all steps are complete AND the enrollment fee has been paid. Enrollment fees for next year should not be included on the same check with payments for this year. Families who do not complete the re-enrollment process and pay their enrollment fee by March 8 will be charged a \$75 per student late fee.

To re-enroll, log into your Sycamore Site and go to My Sycamore / My School / Enrollment / Online Form. You may also use the link http://app.sycamoreschool.com/enroll.php?schoolid=2297. Be sure that the re-enroll box is marked. Make sure all prefilled information is correct. We rely on you to provide accurate information. Near the end you will have the option to print several forms. Print, complete and turn into the office any forms that pertain to your child. You may also add students from your family who will be new to Bethlehem for the 2021-22 school year during this process.

If you are using a Chromebook or iPad, us the link https://sycamoreschool.com/enroll.php?schoolid=2297.

If you are having issues viewing online enrollment, go through the Welcome Aboard under System Help. You may need to add Sycamore Education as a Trusted site.

#### 3 Yr., 4 Yr., and 5 Yr. Kindergarten

Do you have a child or now someone who has a child that will be at least three years old as of September 10, 2021? If you do, we have a program for you. If you now of a family who has a child who you think will benefit from what Bethlehem has to offer, please give the school office their name and address.



#### Monday, February 8

Soft Shelled Chicken Tacos Corn Refried Beans Grapes Pineapple

#### Tuesday, February 9

French Toast Sticks
Sausage
Hash Brown
Apple Juice or Orange Juice
Carrots and Celery

#### Wednesday, February 10

Bader Bowl (popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy) WG Bun Broccoli or Green Beans Applesauce or Craisins

#### Thursday, February 11

Pizza Dippers Fresh Carrot Sticks Apples Craisins

#### Friday, February 12

Tater Tot Casserole WG Dinner Roll California Blend Cantaloupe Mixed Peaches & Pears

Sandwich of the Week: Cold Turkey & Cheese

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#### Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

Bethlehem is again participating in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (voucher program) for the 2021-22 school year. Families with students who will be in 4K, 5K or Grade 1 may apply online. Also, families with students who transfer from a public school at any grade level may apply. To learn the guidelines and qualifications please visit <a href="http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/choice-programs/student-applications">http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/choice-programs/student-applications</a>. The application process will be open February 1 – April 15, 2021. If you have questions, feel free to contact Mr. Vanic.

#### **MAP Testing**

Students in grades 5K – 8 will continue to take the MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) tests for Math and Reading between now and February 12<sup>th</sup>. Test like these are among the most important tools we have for evaluating individual student academic progress and our curriculum as a whole. These tests can identify strengths and weaknesses and determine which areas, if any, a student may need help and in which areas he or she excels. Encourage your child to do their best, take the test seriously, but not to worry about the results. For each testing day, please ensure that your child get plenty of sleep, eats a good breakfast, and wears comfortable school appropriate attire.

#### **Tax Deductions**

Remember, tuition payments made before December 31 may be able to be used for the State of Wisconsin tax deduction for private school families on your 2020 income tax return.

The State of WI, allows parents to deduct private school tuition. Parents could receive an income tax deduction of up to \$4,000 for tuition paid for each kindergarten through eighth grade student and up to \$10,000 per high school student. We highly recommend that families work with their tax advisor to determine benefits.

#### **Year End Tuition and Extended Care Statement**

Year-end statements can be found on your Sycamore account.

Extended Care: "My Accounting", "Summary", "Childcare" – change year in the drop-down box in the upper fright to 2020, click the "All" tab and click "Yearly Statement"

Tuition: "My Accounting", "Summary", "Tuition" – click the "All" tab, highlight the 2020 transactions and print



#### **Bible Study Opportunities at Bethlehem**

Pastor-led weekend Bible studies continue on Sunday morning between services at 9:15 am with two studies, one on Revelation and one an in-depth look at Lutheran Doctrine. Also, before Saturday night service at 4:15 pm with a look at the appointed scripture readings.

A study on 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter, in which Peter warns the early church against false prophets, meets Mondays February 8<sup>th</sup> and February 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Century Room.

Two online Bible studies continue at Bethlehem:

"Reel" Parables: looking at Biblical themes in classic family movies.

Go Make Disciples!: study on evangelism resources with Pastor Moon. Email <u>bethlehemsheboyganFB@gmail.com</u> today to sign up for online classes.

#### **Winter School Closings**

When school is closed due to weather please DO NOT call the school. Answering the phone and responding to emails prevents us from efficiently getting information out to everyone in a timely and accurate manner.

We will be using the text messaging application through Sycamore to notify you of any delays or closures due to inclement weather. If you have not yet signed up, we highly recommend you do. Log in to your Sycamore account, go to "My School", "My Notifications", select the "Primary Parent" from the dropdown menu (we are only able to add one number per family). Make sure the 'Enable Messaging" box is check and then select the correct cell phone number (including are code) in the "SMS". Select your carrier and "School Closing Notifications". Update using the blue "Update" button in the upper right corner.

You may also tune in to WHBL 1330AM, WTMJ Channel 4 Milwaukee and WISN Channel 12 Milwaukee. Information will also be posted on Bethlehem's Sycamore homepage, Facebook and Twitter pages. We will also email those families that have current email addresses on file with the school.

#### Birthday's and Baptism's

The following members of our Bethlehem family will celebrate their birthday during the coming week:

Connor Chang, Emery Markevitch, Katie Richardson, Adalyn Ursprung, Mrs. Usadel, Skye Verstegen, Annabella White



The following will observe the anniversary of their baptism's during the coming week:

Aleithea Adams, Aubrey Schallock, Joe Vanic

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