



# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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**Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of Christ Jesus for you.  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”  
Jeremiah 29:11**

Charles Dickens' book, A Tale of Two Cities, begins with the famous line “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times...” The line could very easily describe my relationship with the season of Fall. For example:

**Best:** Vivid colors on leaves  
**Worst:** Raking up said leaves when they fall

**Best:** Flannel shirt weather  
**Worst:** Scraping car windows

**Best:** Not using air conditioning  
**Worst:** That first time you turn on the furnace

**Best:** October baseball  
**Worst:** Brewers no longer in October baseball

**Jeremiah 29:11** is my all-time favorite Bible passage.

If Fall was a mental illness, it would definitely be diagnosed as being bipolar. One day it's hot and humid, the next day it's a blustery 40 degrees. One week the trees are filled with indescribable beauty, the next week they are drab and bare. I identify most with Fall. I have my ups and downs. We all do. Our faculty and staff do. Our students do. How can we be so happy/excited/motivated/etc. one day, and sad/lethargic/etc. the next? Our sinful nature and chemical make-up do not allow us to remain at a steady level of happiness. It's who we are. How comforting to know that amidst all of these changes, the one constant remains constant: Jesus. Does that mean that everything will always be great? Nope (see: sinful nature). It does mean that we always have hope for better days. We always have hope for a better day and more importantly, for a future with Him. How comforting to know that amidst all of life's ups and downs, our God guards us and guides us according to His plan.

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**In Christ, the community of St. Paul's Lutheran School partners with families to equip children academically and prepare children and families spiritually to witness and serve.**

It's almost here! Our very first Color-Run will take place this Sunday, **October 13 at Martin Luther High School (see attached map)**. Students and parents have been doing a great job of getting sponsors and raising money! Remember, this fun event will help raise money for some long over-due security upgrades at both campuses (see below)



## SECURITY UPDATES

The safety of all students, staff, and visitors is something we take very seriously. We are constantly evaluating our building security and updating policies and procedures. As a result of that we are implementing the following changes:

- **Visitor Registration**-anyone that visits our campuses **MUST** come to the Office first and sign in. They will then be issued a bright yellow Visitor badge to be worn at all times while in the building. This holds true for every visit, from dropping off a lunch in someone's locker to visiting a classroom. Students will be taught to look for the bright yellow Visitor stickers and to report anyone not registered to their teacher.
- **Classroom and Office doors** will now be closed and locked during the day.
- Please know that there have been no incidents or problems here at SPWA. We are always analyzing our Emergency Response Plans with the WAPD, making updates where needed, and then using those plans to teach our children the appropriate responses.
- The money PTL raises from the **Color-Run** this year will all go towards more security upgrades. Our goal is to raise \$10,000.

## SECURITY COSTS

Listed below are some of our wish-list security items. Perhaps your place of work offers grants or has a matching gifts program that would allow you or your employer to purchase, or help purchase some of the items.

- Electronic locks on Office door (\$3000)
- Portable radios for all staff (\$3000 (15 X200))
- Shatterproof film on Office windows (\$700)
- Shatterproof film on ECC windows (\$8000)



## LAST DAY FOR SHORTS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> will be the last day to wear shorts until May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Come Join Us



**When:** Wednesday October 16th - 7:00 PM

**Where:** St. Paul's Lutheran School gymnasium

**Why?:** *Life of the Party: the Story of Mary & Martha*

St. Paul's Lutheran School students in grades 4-8th will present a musical sharing the good news of Jesus through the Bible story of Mary, Martha and Lazarus. You will enjoy hearing parables, learning about family squabbles

and forgiveness.

Optional: Come join us at 1:30 PM for dress rehearsal same location, same date!

### We Hope to See you Soon!!

# EXTENDED CARE

Dear St. Paul Families,

The childcare is planning for days off of school and we need your help. Please let us know if you will need care on the days your child will have off of school. While we absolutely love the opportunity to care for your child, there is a \$10 drop in rate if children are not registered. St. Paul's also reserves the right to refuse care when notification has not been given to the childcare. This is due to staffing for the childcare. **Care for all children will take place at the Grant location on days when there is no school!!**

Please fill this form out if your child will need care and return it to Amy Puechner by Friday, October 18.

Thank you for your help.

Amy Puechner  
Child Care Director



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My child \_\_\_\_\_, grade \_\_\_\_\_ will need care on:  
\_\_\_\_ Friday, October 25, 2019 from \_\_\_\_\_ (please enter the time you will need care).  
\_\_\_\_ Thursday, October 31, 2019 from \_\_\_\_\_ (please enter the time you will need care).  
\_\_\_\_ Friday, November 1, 2019 from \_\_\_\_\_ (please enter the time you will need care).

## **PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE**

Please click on the link below to go to the website for signing up for the conference with your child's teacher.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4ea5ae23ab9-parent>

## **CHOICE MEETINGS**

As most of you know, St. Paul's participates in the Wisconsin Parent Choice Program and the Milwaukee Parent Choice Program. One of the stipulations of the Choice Program is to hold two meetings per school year to meet with all families to answer any questions about the Choice Program, get any information about the Choice Program, and learn about the Choice Program. Our first meeting this school year is Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. School Board members will be available to answer any of your questions. This meeting is for all of our families, not only families who are in the Choice Program this year or may be in the Choice Program in future years. The second meeting is set for February 20<sup>th</sup>. Please come to our meetings if you would like to learn more about the two Choice Programs in which St. Paul's participates.

**Church at St. Paul's: Saturday - 5:00pm; Sunday - 8:00am and 10:30am; Sunday School/Adult Bible Class - 9:15am**

### **Acolyte Schedule:**

**Saturday, October 12**

**5:00pm – Melia Allen**

**Sunday, October 13**

**8:00am – Aubrey Kadolph**

**10:30am – Eric Brofka**

## **JR. HIGH YOUTH SCHEDULE FALL 2019**

- ✓ Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> – Schuett Corn Maze in Mukwonago 6:30pm (meet at church)
- ✓ Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dinner & a Movie@ St. Paul's 6:30pm
- ✓ Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> – Swim n Lights Country Christmas (meet at St. Paul's 2:00pm)
- ✓ Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> – Serve Advent Dinner 4:30pm (meet in kitchen)

## **JR. HIGH YOUTH**

Attention Jr. High Youth! We are planning a trip to Schuett's Corn Maze in Mukwonago on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 5:00pm worship service.

Permission slips are needed and available from Pastor Noah. We also need adults to help chaperone and drive for this event. We will meet at church and depart as a group about 6:30pm. Return time approximately 9-9:15pm. Please contact Pastor Noah if you can help out. Cost is \$8, but only \$7 if we get more than 10 youth attending.

Sound fun? Please join us!

## **FROM THE PASTOR**

To the families of St. Paul's,

It is good to be with all of you and we are glad you and your kids are in our St. Paul's community. I enjoy greeting you and your kids in the morning with hand waves and kind words. I hope that the school year has been going well for your family.

I am thankful for the staff that is here at St. Paul's because of their examples that they set each day. And when you think about it, setting an example is one of the most important lessons our staff demonstrates to students daily. Yes, math, science, reading, and art are all important for individual development, but students will see and remember good and bad examples set by their leaders in ways that homework will not accomplish. This is true for a life of discipleship following Jesus. One of the ways in which we grow closer to our Savior, is by seeing examples of faith and conduct in other people. Paul, in his letter to the Philippians, as he is imprisoned, writes this:

*"Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us."* Philippians 3:17

Paul desires other Christians who are new in the faith to join in imitating him. Not because Paul is the greatest ever and has a puffed-up ego, but because Paul has encountered the Risen Jesus Christ himself and has experienced a total life transformation that has allowed him to experience joy and hope in trials. A life of following Jesus means conforming to what Jesus Christ wants for us and our staff at St. Paul's strives to set that example for your kids. So today and this week, we at St. Paul's, like the Apostle Paul, invite you to join us in setting a Godly, servant example.

*Pastor Noah*

## **COMMUNITY CLOTHING DRIVE UPDATE**

Although we appreciate the enthusiasm and support of St. Paul's Clothing Drive, because of space and resources, we are unable to accept clothing at this time.

Please look for drop off dates to begin after January 2020. Thank you for your understanding and your continued support.

# PRACTICE SCHEDULES

- **Handbells – Wednesday 7:15am**
- **Cross Country – Monday Grades 7 & 8 3:15-4:30pm**  
**Thursday Grades 3-6 3:15-4:30pm**  
**Friday Grades 3-8 3:15-4:30pm**
- **JV Girls Volleyball – Monday & Wednesday 3:15-5:00pm**
- **Varsity Girls Volleyball – Tuesday 6-7:30pm**  
**Thursday 3:15-5:00pm**

# SINGING SCHEDULE

October 13	4K Choir 10:30am
October 16	Grades 4-8 Musical 7:00pm
November 10	6-8 Choir & 4-8 Handbells 8:00am
November 16	4-5 Choir 5:00pm
November 24	2-3 Choir 8:00am



# SPORTS SCHEDULE

October 17 & 19	JV Volleball Tournament at Immanuel Brookfield
October 18-19	Varsity VBall Tournament at Immanuel Brookfield
October 19	Cross Country Meet at Lake Country Lutheran Grades 5-8



October 13	Color Run
October 16	Fall Musical
October 18	Chapel Family Activity 1:30pm
October 24	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
October 25	Records Day – NO SCHOOL
October 30	Parent Teacher Conferences after school
October 31	Parent Teacher Conferences during the day – NO SCHOOL
November 1	Teacher In-Service – NO SCHOOL

