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REMINDERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Band Notes: The St. Paul's Band will be playing **Preservice Music** on **Wednesday night December 20th from 6:15 - 6:25** in the church balcony. Band Members should meet in the church basement for tuning and warm-up at 6:00pm.

Christmas clan activity will be on **December 15**. A note was sent home by your child's clan leader explaining what needed to be sent. Please have the requested items or money here by the date. Thank you for your help.

NO BUSSING for St. Paul's students on **Friday, December 22nd**. An email had gone out earlier this week and the unanimous response to all who responded was that nobody was really in need of bussing services that day. Please make sure to note this on your calendars so as not to forget. Thanks!

Christmas Luminaries: Please consider helping us beautify our Christmas Eve Service with a luminary in memory or to honor a loved one. The luminaries will line the school sidewalk (weather permitting) at our Christmas Eve service on December 24th. Please fill out the luminary form, enclose \$3 per luminary, and place in either the box in the back of church or **return to the school office between December 1st and December 15th**. You've got a week left to turn in your order! Checks can be made payable to **St. Paul's PTO**. Let's light up our entrance in honor or memory of someone special. **Extra forms are available in school office.**

Chamber Gift Certificates for Faculty/Staff: Parents - please look for a green 'letter' that should have come home with your children last week. As in years past, this is an opportunity to keep gift giving well within your budget but still give 'something'. The total amount collected for each member of the faculty/staff will be used to purchase Chamber gift certificates that can be used at the merchant of their choosing! Any questions, please stop in and speak with Mrs. Krogmann! All sheets/donations should be returned to the office by **Monday, December 12th**. THANKS!

Attention all Basketball Players, Parent and Fans: Here's a chance to lend a helping hand!

TONIGHT, Friday December 8, 2017 Lebanon Lutheran School and St. Paul's Lutheran School will open up the 2017-18 BLAC basketball season with a cross town rivalry. We would like to invite all of you to help out with a special event. As we know, basketball is a great way to get people together for competition and fellowship. However, we also know there is more to life than sports. On this night, both schools would like to do something extremely important for a family in need. We would like to raise monies for the Joel Kamrath family. Joel has been an official at both of our schools over the past several years. In October, Joel's family experiences a house fire and lost everything. All the monies raised at the front door free will offering, will be donated to Joel and his family. Along with this, students from Lebanon will be coming around throughout the course of the night collecting additional donations for the family. We believe that through this genuine gesture of caring, the true Christian spirit of helping those in need, (**not winning or losing**), will come shining through! Please come out and support all the players and the Kamrath family. We look forward to seeing you there!

Christmas Party Donations: Please look for the sign up sheet that came home today looking for donations and volunteers for our Christmas Party following Christmas Eve practice on Friday morning, December 22nd. If you are willing and able to donate something or help out that day, please mark it on the sheet and **return it to school by next Friday, December 15th**. Thanks!

Yearbook Order Forms: Order forms were sent home today. Anyone wishing to order a yearbook, should fill out the form and return it (WITH payment) to the school office **on or before January 8, 2018**. Extra forms available in the school office.



IMPORTANT NOTES FROM OUR CLASSROOMS!

From Kindergarten ~ Mrs. Springer: Happy Friday! We are continuing our study of Moses in Kindergarten. We heard this week how God used miraculous signs to convince Pharaoh to let the Israelites free. He also showed that it would be in God's time and not Moses' time. Our newest Superkid book came home on Thursday. We are counting the days to the next Superkids.

This week in science we are starting our unit on resources on earth. We had studied rocks and tried identifying different gems. In Social Studies this week we continued our exploration of Christmas in other cultures. We learned about Germany and St. Nicholas' day. The Kindergarteners were surprised to hear that people receive presents in their shoes and not stockings.

From Grades 1/2 ~ Mrs. Kionka: "Get ready!" We say that often in our classroom...get ready for recess, get ready for music...Now we have a special "Get ready!" time. We are getting ready to celebrate the birth of our Savior! That means lots of practicing for the Christmas Eve service, some extra art classes, and our Advent Wreath. Each week we are adding one more candle until, finally, we will put on the Christ Candle. We are getting our hearts ready to worship our Savior and King!

From Grades 3/4 ~ Miss Donaldson: The children drew names for their Christmas gift exchange. A note was sent home during the week with the guidelines. This year we will be having a Christmas pajama party. The children can bring a pair of pajamas to change into after practice.

From Grades 7/8 ~ Mr. Lindemann: Class trip to Pabst Theater and WELS Offices went very well. The behavior of our students continues to be commendable. Sorry we were late coming home; our wait at the Pabst Theater was longer than we thought. 7/8 graders are going caroling on December 20th & we need drivers to get us there. Look for more information to come home on Monday!



SCHOOL 'WISH LIST' ITEMS

- easel with bins for Kindergarten room (see Mrs. Springer or Mrs. Krogmann)
 - bean bag chairs for Kindergarten room (2 - 3 of them)
- 'Sing & Make Music - Level 4: Complete Set' for grades 5 - 8 music class (approx. cost \$325.00)

(any questions re: this teaching tool, please speak with Mrs. Springer)**

DON'T FORGET! Lakeside Lutheran 'Passports' are available! LLHS has provided us with a stack of stampable 'Passports' to be made available to all St. Paul's students interested in having one. This 'passport' is the student's admission to ALL Lakeside **regular season home events** for the 2017-2018 and for opportunities to win prizes that are

given out and different drawings that they can be entered into depending on how often they attend. Basketball games is underway ~ be sure to stop by the office and pick up your pass to get in!

Audio Equipment Operators: Mr. Leon Jaeger has confirmed that Mr. Brian Genz has volunteered to learn how to setup, tear down and properly store the new sound system and its components. With the many events in place to use this equipment we need at least 2 more people to volunteer. Please contact Mr. Jaeger directly at [920-261-7811](tel:920-261-7811).

KEEP COLLECTING THOSE BOX TOPS, CAMPBELL'S LABELS and MILK CAPS ~ We're rapidly approaching the deadline for the first submission for some of these items for the current school year. If you have a collection in your kitchen, please consider sending it in NO LATER than 12/22/2017 so we can get them tallied and sent in by the 1/2/2018 submission deadline. This will be the last time to submit our labels as the program is being discontinued. THANK YOU for your support of the simple fundraising program!

LOST 'n FOUND COLLECTION: Please continue to stop by and check out the lost 'n found table at school on a regular basis. There are often (especially as the winter arrives) several items that seem to get left behind. We would like to return them all to their rightful owners before the collection grows out of control!

SCRIP is available through St. Paul's Lutheran Church. If you are interested in ordering Scrip, please look for Sarah Kopas on Sunday mornings between services at church. If you didn't have a chance to complete your order at church on Sunday, you may turn it in to the school office as well; Mrs. Krogmann will make arrangements to get the order/payment to Sarah to fill the order. Extra order forms are available at church AND in the school hallway. Any questions re: the Scrip program or how it works, please contact Sarah at (920) 261-4281. Check it out ~ it's a great way to help generate funds for our church by doing things that you already do: grocery shop, gas for your car, etc. . . *****Deadline for all orders that need to be here for Christmas is THIS Sunday, December 10th.**



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December 10, 2017 - December 16, 2017

Weekly Planner

<p><i>Sunday</i> 12/10</p>	<p>Choir Christmas Concert 7:45/10:15</p>
<p><i>Monday</i> 12/11</p>	<p>Girls Ateam pract 3-4:30 pm; Boys Bteam pract 4:30-6pm</p>
<p><i>Tuesday</i> 12/12</p>	<p>6:30-8:00pm Pioneer Activity Night</p> <p>Boys Ateam pract 3-4:40pm; Girls Bteam pract 4:30-6pm</p>
<p><i>Wednesday</i> 12/13</p>	<p>8:15am Pastor Chartrand -Chapel speaker/LPS presentation</p> <p>Advent Worship Service @ 6:30pm</p> <p>Girls A&b pract 3-4:30pm; Boys Bteam pract 4-5:30pm</p>
<p><i>Thursday</i> 12/14</p>	<p><i>*band</i></p> <p><i>*Wttn 7th gr. BB (Winkelmans) using gym 6-7:30pm</i></p> <p>Boys Ateam pract 3-4:40pm</p>
<p><i>Friday</i> 12/15</p>	<p>BB ~ HOME vs. St. Mark's, Wttn</p>
<p><i>Saturday</i> 12/16</p>	

8th Annual St. Paul's Ixonia B Team Tournament

Tournament schedule –

Girls Tournament

Game 1 - 9:00 St. Paul's, Ixonia vs Trinity/St. Luke's Watertown

Game 2 - 10:00 Lebanon Lutheran vs St. Paul's, Fort Atkinson

Boys Tournament

Game 3 - 11:00 St. Paul's, Ixonia vs Trinity/St. Luke's, Watertown

Game 4 - 12:00 Lebanon Lutheran vs St. Paul's, Fort Atkinson

Girls Tournament

3rd place game - 1:00 losers of game 1 and game 2

Championship game - 2:00 winners of game 1 and game 2

Boys Tournament

3rd place game - 3:00 losers of game 3 and game 4

Championship game - 4:00 winners of game 3 and game 4