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REMINDERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder to all of our families: ALL FEES are due before report cards and diplomas are released to students. If you have not done so already, please contact our school board treasurer to make final payment arrangements. Thank you.

The tickets for our **St. Paul's Family Brewers Outing on Tuesday, May 29th** are here! We have a group of 70 that will be attending. These tickets will be ready to go home on Friday ~ please stop and check in with Mr. Lindemann! THANKS!

G-Squared Watertown Area Summer Basketball League (for Grades 3-8) AND G-Squared Youth Basketball Summer Camp(for Grades PreK – 2): Please look for the 2 handouts re: these summer programs available to our young athletes. The goal is to teach young athletes (the PreK – 2)the game by building a foundation of skills and to provide opportunities for the athletes in Graedes 3-8 to practice the game and build their skills all while using their God-given abilities to their fullest as they give Him glory in all that they do. The camps will be held at St. John's Lutheran in Watertown. The details for each group is on the informational flyers. Deadlines are coming up quickly so be sure you watch for those! For more information and to register online go to www.theg2glife.org or contact Mr. Tim Mueller at tmueller@theg2glife.org with any questions.

Boon for Wisconsin families ~ The ***Wisconsin Child Tax Rebate and August Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday*** is now law. It gives anyone who is a resident of the State of Wisconsin and a citizen of the United States is eligible to receive \$100 for every dependent child under the age of 18 living at home as of December 31, 2017. Beginning May 15, 2018, through July 2, 2018, eligible citizens can claim their \$100-per-child tax rebate at childtaxrebate.wi.gov. Receive the money before school starts this fall via a check in the mail or direct deposit.

Church Picnic Day Worship Service: Mark your calendars for this year's ***Church Picnic which will take place on Sunday, June 3rd.*** The worship service will take place ***in our school gym at 9:00am that morning*** ~ ALL K- 8 students WILL be singing that morning. There will be a call meeting immediately following our worship service that morning. The school board will be providing sandwiches for the meal ~ we ask that our families bring a dish to pass: your favorite salads, desserts and the like are always a hit! Report cards will be handed out to the students after church that day as well.

Important Dates for the 2018/2019 School Year:

- Opening Service ~ Sunday, August 26th
- First Day of School ~ Monday, August 27th
- Last Day of School ~ Wednesday, May 29th
- Graduation & Closing Service ~ Wednesday, May 29th evening



Sign up today & join the fun!



The **Second Annual Gopher Gallop 5K** will be held on **Saturday, June 2nd at St Paul's Lutheran**. This is a fundraising effort for St Paul's Evangelical Lutheran School located in Ixonia WI. We are excited to have our community out for a morning of Physical Wellness and Spiritual Fellowship. \$50 Prize for top male and female finishers. **Register by May 23rd to guarantee your T-shirt**. Registration open until the day of the race, but T-shirt availability not guaranteed.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/WI/Ixonia/GopherGallop5KandKidsMile> **Registration: \$25 for the 5K, \$15 for the Kids Mile**

- Start Time: The Kids Mile will begin at 7:30 AM. The 5K race will start at 8:00 AM.
- Kids Mile Course: Start at the School and go east to on Gopher Hill. This is an out and back.
- 5K Course: The course will be different from last year. This year it will be on roads and on gravel.
- Post-Race Food: Complimentary fruits, water, and Gatorade will be available for participants.
- How can I contact the organizer with any questions? Email Adam Small at apple.duke.bigg@gmail.com
- What's the refund policy? No refunds. All moneys are donations to St Paul's.
- Sponsorship: Sponsorship opportunities are greatly appreciated from business owners (and are tax deductible!) However, after Miracle Sunday it is understood that many are tapped out. Come and join us for the fellowship of it!

LOOKING AHEAD TO VBS. . . VBS Craft Donations Needed

Summer will be here before we know it, and with it comes our "Splash Canyon" VBS program! Our leaders are looking for donations of the following craft items:

- cotton fabric scraps (to be cut into 4" squares)
- palm-sized rocks (about 50)
- multi-colored pony beads
- adhesive craft gems
- washable markers
- glue sticks
- kid-sized scissors
- blue yarn

Please look through your 'stash' of extra craft supplies and see what you may have that you are willing to part with. Questions? Please contact Mrs. Elizabeth Schwalenberg at easchwalenberg@gmail.com or (443) 591-8697. Thank you for your consideration of our request!



IMPORTANT NOTES FROM OUR CLASSROOMS!

From Kindergarten: Thank you all to our many grandparents and parents that visited on the Grandparents' Day. Our kindergartners also wanted to give a big thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Schwalenberg for donating our snack that day. Our kindergartners have been very excited the past few weeks with our Old Testament stories of Jonah and Daniel. They say, "Jesus is the best!" This week has been busy with wrapping up our Z week and learning the long vowels. We are working on the silent E in our reading. For science we are working on our arthropod unit and identifying different types and their life cycles. In social studies we are wrapping up our economics unit. We have been studying about goods and services. They said, "We are thankful that our parents go to work so that we can have houses." Thank you parents for all the care that you give your students! We played Catan Jr and learned how some items are more expensive than others because of more people wanting that item. Thank you for the wonderful support this year! Our kindergartners earned one final reward. Friday will be costume day in the Kindergarten classroom. If you have any questions, please feel free to call, email or text me. Please remember to send the field trip shirt and a bag lunch on Tuesday for our field trip. Have a great Memorial Day weekend!

From Grades 1/2 ~ Mrs. Kionka: Where will your "summertime shoes" take you this summer? Stop by our hall and see where our 1st and 2nd graders would like to go, and what they would like to do, in their summertime shoes. Wishing everyone a wonderful summer, filled with blessings and fun.

From Grades 3/4 ~ Miss Donaldson: Parents please have your child bring large bags on Wednesday and Thursday next week, so they can start to bring their belongings home. Thanks for the great year!

From Grades 5/6 ~ Mr. Springer: I'd love to have the chance to talk to everyone in person about the events in our classroom. If you're curious, please come in and visit - our door is always open to visitors.

From Grades 7/8 ~ Mr. Lindemann:



Despite the rain, a fun time was had by all on our Chicago trip on Monday, May 21st!!

Congratulations to Emma Lemke!! Her fire poster made it all the way to the State Level and won First place! Look for her poster and those from years past hanging in our hallway here at school!



A look back at some Grandparents Day moments from Friday, May 11th. . .



From Athletic Director Justin Gregorius @ Luther Prep:

Attention Parents: The deadline for registering for all the summer boys/girls basketball camps and volleyball camps at Luther Prep School have been extended! **The deadline is now June 1st.**

*If you have questions or problems registering your child please email Carolynn Bertolus at cbertolus@lps.wels.net.

*If you have questions about the camps, please contact the following:

*Boys basketball camps email Coach Nate Kieslehorst: nkieselh@lps.wels.net.

*Girls basketball camps email Mark Schroeder: schroemj@lps.wels.net.

*Volleyball camps email Erin Nottling: nottliej@lps.wels.net

