

# St. John's Lutheran School NEWSLETTER

## September Newsletter: Volume 2

### Junior Choir!

Calling all singers for all in grades 4 – 12! Rehearsals are on Wednesdays starting August 31<sup>st</sup>, a light supper at 5:30 in the cafeteria (this first time is pizza) And sing from 6:00 – 7:00 in the choir room!

- Sing one Sunday a month in church at the very end of The Well (9:15ish AM) and at the beginning of the Traditional Service (10:30AM).

- Plus, the Christmas Eve early service and Easter, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

- The music is drawn from all styles: Spirituals, Rap, Jazz, 50's Rock and Roll

### Come worship with us!

We have Chapel each Wednesday in the sanctuary from 8:30-9:00am. Please join us for songs, devotions, and prayer. There is nothing quite like hearing children singing songs of praise and worship. It is truly something special. The Holy Spirit is surely moving on Wednesday mornings.

### Book Fair Coming Soon...

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be September 19-23. Please contact Nicole Shannon to help with the Book Fair. There will be a sign-up genius coming out shortly.

### Camp Linn Haven:

Camp Linn Haven is coming up September 23-25<sup>th</sup>. It is going to be a blast to be in the mountains, with cool air, time outdoors, and wonderful people. Each family will have their own cabin with their own bathroom! (This is my kind of camping!) \$75 for adults and \$55 for kids. This includes meals for the weekend. I hope to see you there!

### St. John's Spirit Nights!

Our First Spirit Night will be on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-8:00pm at Bobo's Deli and Grill at 3478 Robinhood Rd, Winston-Salem, NC 27106. The proceeds from this event benefit the school. Come out, have some dinner, meet some of our amazing families, and SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

### Dates To Save...

**Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>** - No School

**Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>** - SPIRIT NIGHT at Bobo's Deli & Grill 5PM-8PM

**Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
- **Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>** - Camp Linn Haven

**(Sign-up forms can be found in church office)**

**Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**  
- **Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** - Parent Teacher Conferences

**Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>** - **Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>** -

**No School; FALL BREAK**

**REMINDER: ALL LUNCH MENUS SHOULD BE TURNED IN BY THE DUE DATE, POSTED ON TOP OF EACH MENU!**



**CHURCH SERVICES:**

Contemporary Service 8:30AM  
Traditional Service: 10:30AM  
Sunday School: 9:45AM



Happy September! I am looking forward to fall (It is my favorite season.). I love when the weather gets cooler, and the leaves start to change color.

Our theme for this school year is Matthew 5:16 "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven." As the sunset comes a little earlier and the seasons begin to change, remember to let your light shine. In chapel last week, we talked about how "our light" is Jesus shining through us. When we help someone, say something kind, tell someone about Jesus, or just give someone a smile, that is God's light shining through us. This week in chapel, Pastor talked about how Jesus is that light! There is a lot of Jesus' light shining in this school! Students are kind and loving, teachers show care and compassion, parents have smiling faces and encouraging words. We are so blessed to get to come to a place where God's love is shining so bright each day.

During the first week of school, each of the students colored their own firefly (to go along with our theme for the year) and these fireflies were glued to popsicle sticks and set in the back of the church where church members could take the fireflies home and pray for that student this school year. We have also been praying for each class and individual students each day during the morning announcements.

This year has been great. We started our specials classes this week. Mrs. Patterson started Art classes and Mr. B started Computer and Music and Ms. Cheryl started library time. We are still looking for a PE teacher, but Mrs. Banks is going to do PE in the meantime.

The teachers are working so hard to create engaging and active lessons. They have been doing some centers, games, and tons of activities. Preschool has been learning about the letter 'G', Transitional Kindergarten has been reading and learning about different emotions, Kindergarten has been learning about the weather and graphs, 1st Grade had a great discussion on a time when they were brave and courageous, 2nd grade made a birthday bar graph, 3rd grade learned about the flood and asked great questions, 4th grade has spent some time reading in tents they made with their desks, 5th grade finished their first book of the year and made Character Windows to go along with it.

It is only the first full month of school and already, these students have learned so much!

Dear Lord, Thank you for this place and for your presence in it. You make each day new and bright and good. Please let all the people here at St. John's continue to both see and show Your bright light. Forgive us when we dim the light that You are trying to show through us. Thank you for these children.

In your name,  
Amen

Tiffany Banks  
Principal

## Welcoming to St. John's...



Emily Beck



Gloria Rochester



Sulma Carrillo Garcia

## Summer? Or School?

We asked our K-5 students which do they prefer... Summer or School?

Here are the results!

