

**St. Paul's Lutheran School  
Newsletter**

**JANUARY**



**2019**

**From the Pastor's Desk**

In their book, *A History of Christian Education*, authors James E. Reed and Ronnie Provost highlight several educational principles essential to a child's education as put forth by church father St. Augustine. Here at St. Paul's we strive to uphold these principles in our daily walk with the students, ever challenging them to reach for their highest potential. Of those principles, three stand out this day:

- The teacher should help the student experience God;
- The teacher should take into account the unique characteristics of each student and relate to the students as unique individuals;
- Teachers must recognize the image of God in persons as their rational nature, thus it is to be used as a tool to relate them to God.

In line with these principles of education, "central to the purpose of Lutheran education is a mission to help each individual to find his or her vocation or calling" in accordance with God's holy will. (Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola) As such, our administration and faculty strive to live out the Gospel message of reconciliation, grace, and love in a divided and torn world. We strive to provide a learning environment full of joy and grace to better promote the educational experience of our students. We work to provide a place of constancy in God's holy Word amidst a world of chaos and unrest.

As we enter into the second semester of the 2018-2019 school year, know that as parents, you along with your students are a vital part of St. Paul's family. As we seek to develop your children both academically and spiritually, know that we are here for you as well. The education of your children is a partnership with St. Paul's faculty and staff, as well as the church at large.

May God bless and keep you this school year,  
Pastor David H. Reber, Jr.

**Note from the Principal**

**May we truly be thankful**

**"A prayer for our students and families"**

Heavenly Father, as we look around us, you have once again shown us all your blessings. We know that you have provided much more than just our daily needs. We thank you for so generously giving us your Son, our Lord. Through him you have showered us with the blessings of forgiveness, a purpose in life, and eternal life in Heaven—For all these blessings, may we truly be thankful, dear Lord. Amen.

I found this prayer and felt like it was perfect for starting a New Year. I am thankful for God's 2018 blessings and am looking forward to 2019 at St. Paul's Lutheran School. I would like to thank each and every parent for choosing St. Paul's Lutheran School. We truly are committed to our mission, SERVE GOD! PRAISE GOD! LOVE GOD! CHERISH GOD! And SHARE GOD! We continue to work on academic progress and I am proud to say that our students are some of the brightest!

We, as a staff, are very thankful to everyone for the Christmas gifts off of our Christmas tree for each of the classrooms. I have been overwhelmed with the generosity of our parents! THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH!

January will be a very busy month here at St. Paul's. We celebrate National Lutheran Schools' Week during the week of January 27-February 2, 2019. Our students will be singing at the 10:30 church service on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> for "Celebration of Christian Education" Sunday. We will have "Donuts with Mom" on January 23<sup>rd</sup> and "Donuts with Dad" on January 24<sup>th</sup>. We would love for you to shop with your children those two mornings at our Book Fair which runs January 18-January 28. We love our families and enjoy sharing these special events with them. Thank you for sharing your children with us. My wish is that each and every one of you has a blessed NEW YEAR!

With God's Help, Carolyn LaBrue



**CALLING ALL ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL ALUMNI!!**

We are starting a St. Paul's Lutheran School Alumni Association and will have our first annual alumni dinner on January 26, 2019. Please share this exciting news with former St. Paul's Lutheran School students. What fun to reconnect with old classmates!



Our last day before Christmas Break is Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. This is pajama day. Students may wear slippers with their appropriate pajamas; however, they need to bring tennis shoes for outside recess. We will dismiss at 12:30 on that day, so be certain to plan now to pick up your children at that time.



If your child will be absent, parents please call the school office by 9AM. Thank you for your help with this.



Be sure to check your child's backpack every night for notes!

★ December Star Students ★

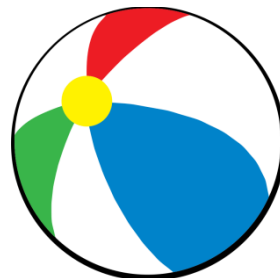
Pre-K	Madison Vasquez
Kindergarten	Colton Walker
First	Kyrstin Harbron
Second	Clara Schlichting



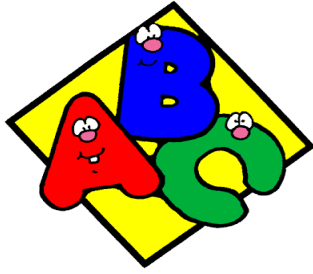
January Birthdays!  
Addison Marlatt - January 8<sup>th</sup>  
Emily Hall - January 11<sup>th</sup>  
Alex Cuthbertson - January 18<sup>th</sup>



Our Second Quarter Awards Chapel is set for Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 AM. We would love for you to join us!



Our BEACH DAY is scheduled for January 18th. You will be receiving details very soon. We are planning a great day!



## PreK News

Chicka ABC's and 123's, the ocean, and the season of winter. Hello again from the Pre-K class! December was so fun! We were so excited about Jesus' Birthday; we could hardly wait!

One day we made Gingerbread men. We mixed them, rolled them, and put them on the pan. But, they ran away when we put them oven! We looked everywhere in the whole school but we couldn't find them! But just like that, they were back in our classroom so we snatched them up quick and ate them. They were yummy good!

Happy New Year! We have a lot of learning to do in the New Year to get us ready to go to Kindergarten. Our January themes will be Chicka Chicka ABC's and 123's, the ocean, and the season of winter.

A special thanks to everyone for your Christmas gifts to the Pre-K classroom.

Penny Stover



## PE News

Please remember to send PE shoes if your child wears boots or open toed shoes to school. We want everyone to be able to safely participate. We will be getting ready for The American Heart Association - Jump Rope for Heart campaign very soon!



## Music News

Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth grades all did a beautiful job of presenting our Advent Service, *What Child Is This?* We are so fortunate to be at a Christian school where we celebrate the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of Jesus!

In January we celebrate Lutheran Schools Week! To be a part of St. Paul's Lutheran School is a joy we celebrate with our congregation on **Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.** All students in Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth grades are singing two beautiful pieces! We will be looking forward to seeing all our St. Paul's school family there.



**Scholastic Book Fair**  
**DINO-MITE BOOK FAIR**  
**"Stomp, Chomp, and READ"**

Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep up with changing tastes and reading skills.
- **Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.**

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Sincerely,

Carolyn LaBrue

**Scholastic Book Fair Shopping Dates/Time**

Friday, January 18, 2019

**Student Wish List**

**During School Day**

Sunday, January 20, 2019

**Church Shopping**

Time: 7:30- 11:00 A.M.

Monday, January 21, 2019

**Student Wish List - During School Day**

**Open Shopping**

Time: 3:30-4:15 P.M.

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

**Open Shopping**

Time: 7:30- 8:15 A.M.

Time: 3:30-4:15 P.M.

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

**DONUTS WITH MOM**

Time: 7:00- 8:15 A.M.

**Open Shopping**

Time: 3:30-4:15 P.M.

Thursday, January 24, 2019

**DONUTS WITH DAD**

Time: 7:00- 8:15 A.M.

**Open Shopping**

Time: 3:30-4:15 P.M.

Friday, January 25, 2019

**Open Shopping**

Time: 7:30- 8:15 A.M.

Time: 3:30-4:15 P.M.

Sunday, January 27, 2019

**Church Shopping**

Time: 7:30- 11:00 A.M.

Monday, January 28, 2019

**Book Fair Over**

Packing Fair to be picked up  
by Scholastic



## PTL NEWS

### Raffle Tickets

Raffle ticket winners were drawn **December 7<sup>th</sup>**!

Raffle Ticket Winners!

Parking - Leigh Kirby & Becky Eggers

Left Side Pew - Isaac Kennedy Family

Right Side Pew - Daniel Breitenkamp Family

All students who participated in selling tickets were able to go to a punch and cookie party on December 14. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered with this event.



We were able to raise \$290.00 at our Advent dinner on December 5! Thank you everyone who donated. A special thank you to our teachers helping work the event. We love our teachers!



Remember to check your child's bag on Thursday night for pop & popcorn order forms!

### Kid's Night Out!

We had so much fun with the kids, and raised \$250.00 for our school. Thanks again for all your support.



Please continue to collect Box Tops & Best Choice UPC codes. We use this money for our specials such as Physical Education, Music & Library. I almost have enough to send in the best choice labels so if you have any, send them in. There are no deadlines or parties associated with the Best Choice UPC codes. The deadline for Box Tops for the 2018-2019 school year is February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

-Crystal Heim, Box Top Coordinator



### Volunteer Opportunities

We need people to sign up to help with our Valentine Fundraiser. Please contact Hattie or the office if you are able to, or would like more information.



### DINE OUT

Our next Dine out will be at McAlister's on Jan. 8. Details will come later!



We are eager to increase our membership and hope to see new faces at our next meeting on Monday, **January 7**, at 7:00 p.m. It is definitely never too late to join.

## Church News



### Welcome!

We invite you and your family to join us for services every Sunday morning in January.

We offer an 8:00 a.m. service and a 10:30 a.m. service, as well as Sunday school at 9:15 a.m. Our Nursery is open during the 10:30 a.m. service for children 4 and under.

There is a Children's Sermon during each service as well! You are welcome in this house.

#### Special Services:

We are having a midweek advent service at 6:30 p.m. on December 19. There will be a meal of turkey & noodles, green beans, hot rolls & desserts served by the LWML at 5:00 p.m.

We also are having a family Sunday School Program at 6:30 p.m. on December 24, followed by a Candlelight Service/Communion Worship at 8:00 p.m.

On Christmas Day, we have a communion Worship at 10:00 a.m.

On New Year's Eve, December 31, we will have communion worship at 6:30 p.m.

We would love for you to join us for any or all of these services! You are welcome in this house.



School will resume on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. We are excited to welcome in the New Year!

# Happy New Year!



# 2019

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