

# St. James Lutheran School Newsletter Janua

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Equipping and Empowering Families and Students Through Christ

ENDURE (Hebrews 12:1-3) National Lutheran Schools Week is nearing! January 26-31.



<u>Sunday Jan. 26 Grades K-8 sing at</u> <u>the 10:30 service to begin National</u> <u>Lutheran Schools Week</u> Dress codes for the week are:

<u>Monday:</u> PJ day <u>Tuesday:</u> Backward, inside out day <u>Wednesday</u>: Class colors- 8<sup>th</sup> purple, 7<sup>th</sup> pink, 6<sup>th</sup> blue, 5<sup>th</sup> green, 4<sup>th</sup> neon, 3<sup>rd</sup> white, 2<sup>nd</sup> yellow, 1<sup>st</sup> black, K red, Preschool tie-dye. <u>Thursday</u>: Fake an injury Friday: Crazy hair

<u>Chapel offerings:</u> Our second quarter total is \$275.87. The challenge for second quarter had been to collect \$600.00.

January Scrip orders will be due on Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>. These cards can be used by you personally as you shop or eat out, or given as gifts. Valentine Day is actually just around the corner if you're looking for a gift for a special someone.

<u>We received</u> a check recently from the Boxtops for Education program for \$76.30. Thanks to all who turn in the boxtops, and thanks to those who bundle and mail in the boxtops.

## Thank you!

The entire staff wants to express their thanks for the kind and thoughtful Christmas gifts we received from our students



through the PTL. It is a blessing to be a part of this St. James family and to share the love of Christ with all of you. May this new year be filled with the joy of the certainty of our salvation won by Christ, and the peace of knowing that our lives are safely in God's hands.



Sunday, January 12 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worshi Choir: 8:00 a.m. Grades

Worship Services Grades 5-8 Choir

Chapel Service: Wednesday, January 15 8:20 a.m. Pastor Loder

**In Our Prayers:** This upcoming week please add these prayer requests to your daily prayer time:



 + For all those in leadership positions to make wise decisions.
+ For those who are ill consolid. Mrs.

 For those who are ill especially Mrs. Kotila's niece, Mrs. Olsen's father,
Kayden's grandfather, and Pastor Loeslie.

+ For those who are impacted by the wildfires, snowstorms, and earthquakes.

+ Thanks for the religious freedom we have in the U.S. to be able to preach and teach God's Word in our churches and Lutheran schools.

- **+** For all pastors, missionaries, and Christian teachers to faithfully proclaim the Gospel.
- + For safety in traveling during winter weather.
- + For the homeless to be sheltered, especially during the cold winter months.



**Penny harvest:** To kick off the New Year, our Student Council is holding a Penny Harvest during the month of January. It began on the 6th and will end on the last day of National Lutheran Schools week,

Jan 31. All the proceeds will go to The Howard Lake Police Department to use for new equipment. There is a bucket in the upstairs hallway into which the kids can put their donations. As of this morning there were <u>27 pounds</u> of pennies in that bucket! There will also be a bucket in church for donations as well. Our goal for the end of the month is 600 lbs.! This is about \$1,200! If you have any loose coins laying around, have your student bring them to school to help raise money for our local police.

If we reach our goal, there will be an assembly on the 31st, where several of our teachers have volunteered to get a pie to the face! Weekly updates on progress will be sent out to keep you all up to date on our progress.

### Upcoming at St. James School:

<u>Wed., Jan. 15</u> 8:20 a.m. Chapel

Thurs., Jan. 16 Library

<u>Fri., Jan. 17</u> End of Second Quarter Scrip orders due

Mon., Jan. 20NO SCHOOL7:00 p.m.Board of Ed meeting

<u>Wed., Jan 22</u> 8:20 a.m. Chapel

Thurs., Jan. 23 Library

<u>Sun., Jan. 26</u> 10:30 a.m. K-8 Choir

#### At the Reception Desk:

- ✓ <u>Menus</u>
- ✓ <u>Newsletters</u>
- ✓ <u>Scrip orders</u>



**Remember** to have your child(ren) ready with winter gear for playing outside. Fresh air and free play are a great benefit to kids. Someday, we may even get snow to play in again! That winter gear is also

essential if a bus or car has difficulty getting to or from school.

#### With the colds and flu season in full swing remember the policy in our handbook in regards to illnesses.

Please do not send your student to school with:

• Rashes: If the student has a rash of unknown origin, it needs to be evaluated by a health care provider. Students should not come to school with rashes that are spreading, itching, or open/draining.

• Vomiting/Diarrhea: Students need to remain home until 24 hours after the last episode.

• Fever of or greater than 100 degrees F: Students should stay home until 24 hours after the temperature returns to normal without the use of fever reducing medication.

<u>The fifth and sixth graders</u> had a friendly STEAM competition on their first day back from break. The goal was to build the tallest free-standing tower of gumdrops and toothpicks in only 12 minutes! Fischer, Owen, Tanner, and Bryce's, design won with a tower height of 19.5 inches."

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**<u>Runners up were:</u>** Micah, Josh, Raylan, and Hunter.



The 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders will again be designing a mini-golf course for part of the fun of National Lutheran Schools Week. If you have large sheets of cardboard, long paper towel tubes such as for paper towels or wrapping paper, duct tape, pool noodles, Solo cups, or glue sticks for hot glue guns (the small size) that you would be willing to donate we would GREATLY appreciate it. Items may be dropped off at the school office prior to Jan. 21. Thank you!

