Concordia Lutheran School

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"Bringing Christ and excellence in academics to our children for life and forever."

EAGLE BANNER

January 8, 2020

IMPORTANT DATES

Weds. Jan. 8 -Culver's Night, 5 – 10 p.m.

Thurs. Jan. 9 -Trinity Warrior B Squad Basketball Tournaments -Map Testing Begins

Fri. Jan. 10 – Sun Jan. 12 Trinity Warrior B Squad Basketball tournaments

Mon. Jan.13 -MAP testing begins (Gr. 1-8) -Open School Board Meeting, 6 p.m.

Tues. Jan. 14 -Hot Dog Day -PTL Meeting, 6:30 p.m. w/Cookie & Cocoa Social

Weds. Jan. 15 - Gr. 4-8 Chapel, 9:00 a.m. PS – Gr. 3 Chapel, 9:45 a.m.

LOOKING AHEAD

Open School Board Meeting Mon. Jan 13, 6:00 p.m.

PTL Meeting w/Cookie & Cocoa Social Tues. Jan. 14, 6:30 p **NEW YEAR PLEA** – With the new year upon us, we would respectfully request that you resolve to have your child to school by 8:40 a.m. daily. Students must be unpacked and settled in their seats to begin the day with prayers and pledges promptly at 8:50 a.m. School BEGINS at 8:50 a.m. Thus, arrival must be prior to that time to avoid interruption and loss of instructional time. Parents of students with excessive tardiness will be required to meet with Mrs. Klein to resolve this concern.

CONCORDIA CARING CONTINUES

Thank you for your support of our school's food pantry. At this time, our shelves are full. What a blessing! Please hold off on donations until further notice. Thank you!

CULVER'S NIGHT

Use those Culver's gift cards you received for Christmas to join us for a night of dining out or dessert **this evening**! Relax and let them do the cooking for you. Stop by between **5 and 10 p.m.** and let them know you are supporting your school!

CAN COLLECITON WEEK

Are you ready to clear out some of those cans you collected over the holidays? We are ready to receive them NOW. Please take them to the lower level of the northwest exit this week.

VOLUNTEER HOURS ALERT

Kindly record and submit any volunteer hours served thus far on your volunteer hour sheet. It is time to log these into our system for the first semester. We thank you for supporting the school in this way. If you are looking for opportunities, please let us know!

TAX DEDUCTION

Did you know that you can deduct up to \$4,000 per K-8th grade student? Or are you looking to deduct child care from your 2019 taxes? Please let the office know if you are in need of a letter stating the amount you paid for either or both of the above categories.

KIDS' HEART CHALLENGE COMING UP!

Please mark your calendars now for **our annual Kids' Heart Challenge event** to be held on <u>Friday, January 31, 2020</u>. This is the 26th year that Concordia students and staff will use their healthy bodies to raise dollars to stomp out heart disease and stroke. <u>Please help us support this effort by joining us and considering now who</u> <u>might sponsor your child's jumping this year</u>. Thanks to all who have jumped online to get a start at **heart.org/kidsheartchallenge**.

A CHALLENGE - Please assist us in rising to the challenge of raising \$11,500 as a school in our Kids Heart Challenge. Last year we raised \$10,031 and we want to top that to help fight heart disease and stroke. Check out the flyer coming home today with school-wide incentives. There are THREE NEW INCENTIVES to add:

- Any student raising \$1,000 or more will be offered the opportunity to Sumo wrestle with Mrs. Klein! Can you picture it...? We can't wait to see who will participate.
- 2. When a school-wide total of \$10, 500 is raised, Ms. Luchterhand will DYE HER HAIR BLUE (or red, green, or one of the other colors of the rainbow!!).
- 3. When our GOAL of \$11,500 is met, Mr. Gonzales and Mrs. Klein will have a Sumo wrestling contest! Who will win? Help us find out by working toward our goal.

PTL MEETING NEX WEEK

We hope you will have an opportunity to attend the meeting scheduled for Tues. January 14th at 6:30 p.m. A Cookie & Cocoa Social is planned, and your input is appreciated as the PTL makes plans for several events coming up and for the remainder of the year. Childcare will be available – please bring your child to the gym for drop off.

ONLINE REGISTRAITON FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR - Online registration for next year will begin on **Wednesday, January 15**. Families who are currently enrolled in the school will have two weeks lead time to register their children before registration is opened to new families. All families are encouraged to complete this online process promptly. More details on how to complete this process will come home on January 15, 2020.

IS YOUR CHILD READY FOR RECESS? Please

be sure your child is dressed for outdoor recess daily. Unless the windchill factor is below zero, students will be outdoors. This means they must come prepared! Please be certain your child comes with a WINTER coat, hat, gloves/mittens, and boots. If you are in need of winter weather clothing, please let us know and we can help!

BOX TOP WINNER

Our top submission came from Adeline in 2nd grade! She won a \$10 Culver's gift card. We raised just over \$60. Thank you to everyone who submitted box tops last year. These funds are valuable to our PTL and given back to the classrooms. Remember to download the Box Top app to your phone and scan your receipts to earn money for our school. You can still clip actual box tops too when you see them.

SEEKING HELP WITH GRADING PAPERS

The school is looking for an individual or two that might be willing to do some light paper correcting for the teachers. Please email or call the office if you can help with this task. This will help to satisfy your annual volunteer hours for the school year.

DECEMBER EAGLE AWARDS

Please join us in recognizing the following students who were acknowledged at school for their outstanding Christian character. **December recipients**: Phoenix Wolfe, Isabelle Molinaro, Ramina Fliess, Markie Hart, Karlie Holbus, Yuvraj Gill, Sophia Rodriguez, Corvin Biesanz, Audrey Foulk, Zayden Jackson, Lenox Barron, Gianna Grana, Rachel Polenski, Isabella Lisowski, Sarah Myers, Audrina Castaneda, Asher Schmidt, Olivia, Barrios, Braelynn Stephens, Landon Sprasky, and Emma Zvolensky. Thanks for letting the light of Jesus shine through you in what you say and what you do!

CHAPEL & ASSEMBLY AT RLHS 1/27

Students in grades 1 - 8 students are bringing home a permission slip for the off campus Lutheran Schools Week outing at Racine Lutheran High School on January 27^{th.} Please check your child's take home folder and return this form, along with \$4 cash, by January 22nd.

ALL SCHOOL CHAPEL AGAIN ON 1/29

On January 29th, as part of our festivities for National Lutheran Schools Week, you are invited to **come early** (8:15 a.m.) for kringle and coffee and stay for worship with your child or grandchild. Chapel will begin at 9 a.m.– please stay after kringle or just come!

GOING ABOVE & BEYOND

The area of academic emphasis for the month of **January** is **Written Expression**. Please check your child's classroom newsletter to discover how your child can grow in this area. Go above and beyond! The following students went above and beyond during the month of December: Wyatt Highman, Journey McNeal, Gabriella Sprangers, Deacon Jacob, Jameson Adrian, Arielle Vasey, Avinaaz Gill, Gracelyn Silich, Lorenzo Grana, Annabelle Andersen, Eli Gonzales, Dallas DeLeon, Yuvraj Gill, Weston Sadowski, Iana Myers, Dylan Sadowski, Quinten Lisowski, Elina Cihler, Isaac Cruz, Asia Krekling, Isabella Lisowski, Alyvia Oppenheimer, Kylie Kramer, Ava Driver, Sage Golon, Grant Usher, Jesse Kelley, Caden Weatherspoon, Ellie Lopez, Maria Lancaster, Madilyn Meltzer, Sophia Guida, Yanelli Moyett, Madelyn Sadowski, Matthew Welch, Silas Stockmon, Kellen Lewandowski, Michael McCray, Cullen Lisowski, and Genevieve Voss.

BIG SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

We would like to extend a huge SHOUT OUT to all of those parents who have donated volunteer time to the school as PTL officers, Booster Club members, field trip chaperones, Hot Dog Day volunteers, Scout leaders, supply donors to the food pantry or our Concordia Cash program, donors to our playground and third source funding, as well as those who correct papers for us at home and do other odd-jobs or at home projects. We couldn't possibly cover all the tasks you do/did to make 2019 a successful year for us! Please know we appreciate YOU!

INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDER Please be advised that if the Racine Unified Schools close because of inclement weather, or go to a 2-hour delayed start, Concordia will be closed for the day. The Before/After School Programs will NOT operate on days school is closed. If RUSD dismisses early, we will also close early. For up-to-date information on closings, tune in to Channel 4, Fox 6, or Channel 12 or their corresponding radio broadcast. Typically, notifications are released by 6:00 am. If we are in school and conditions warrant early dismissal, you will be notified by phone or email.

SECOND QUARTER will end on Friday, January 17th. It is vital that students that have been absent submit all missed work and are current on their assignments prior to this date. REPORT CARDS will be issued on Weds, Jan. 22nd to students whose financial accounts are current – this includes Child Care and other incidentals.

CELEBRATE EPIPHANY! January 6, which is 12 days after Christmas, marks not only the end of the Christmas holidays but also the start of the season of Epiphany. The season has a varied length because it ends when Lent begins, and this depends on the date of Easter.

Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth". It commemorates the first two occasions on which Jesus' divinity was manifested: when the three kings (also known as wise men or Magi) visited young Jesus in Bethlehem, and later when John the Baptist baptized him in the River Jordan. We see and acknowledge Jesus as the only begotten Son of God who came into the world for us, to make complete payment for our sins. Now that is something to celebrate!

CHAPEL SERVICES AND OFFERINGS

During the months of January and February, our chapel offerings will support the Hearts for Jesus Milwaukee, Place of Refuge. Today we collected **\$72.70** for this outreach project. Thanks for supporting others with your gifts!

A VERSE TO REMEMBER

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."

~Ephesians 2:10

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go."

~ Abraham Lincoln

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ATHLETIC INFORMATION

<u>Jan. 9th – 12th</u> Trinity Warriors B BOYS & GIRLS TOURNAMENT

<u>Jan. 11th</u>

@ Friedens10 a.m. A Squad Girls11 a.m. A Squad Boys

RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH NEWS FOR YOU!

Racine Lutheran High School's winter Open House for prospective students is Monday, Jan. 27, 5-7 p.m. Call 637-6538 for more information.