

## Concordia Lutheran School

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

# EAGLE BANNER

January 6, 2021

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Thurs. Jan. 7**

-PTL \$2 Pajama Day

**Fri. Jan. 8**

-School Colors Day

**Mon Jan. 11**

-Virtual Open School Board Meeting  
6 pm

**Wed. Jan. 13**

-Chapel services

**Thurs. Jan. 14**

-PTL \$2 Pajama Day

**Fri. Jan. 15**

-2021-22 Registration open  
(current families)  
-End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

**Mon. Jan 18**

-No School (Records Day)

**Tues. Jan. 19**

-PTL Zoom Meeting, 6 pm

## LOOKING AHEAD

**Virtual Open School Board Meeting**

Mon. Jan 11, 6:00 p.m.

**Virtual PTL Meeting**

Tues. Jan. 19, 6:00 p.m.

## ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

Online registration for next year will begin on **Friday, 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, 2021.

## CARE PACKAGES

**Please let us know if you would benefit from a nonperishable care package.** A true outpouring of love has been shown during the food drive. Please do not hesitate to let us know if we can share these blessings with you. Simply send a note, Dojo message, or email to the office, Mrs. Klein, or teacher asap. 😊

## CAN WINNERS

Congratulations are extended to our Fifth Grade Class for being the GRAND PRIZE winners in the Cans for Classroom collection for December. A FREE Fab Food item will be coming their way to use in January.

## 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 call the office at (262) 884-0991 and someone will bring them into the school for you.

## NO EARBUDS PLEASE

There are occasions when our students utilize listening devices such as earphones or headphones with the Chromebooks at school. We do ask that students not bring cordless earbuds from home for this purpose, however. Thank you!

## TAX DEDUCTION

Did you know that you can deduct up to \$4,000 per K-8<sup>th</sup> grade student? Or are you looking to deduct child care from your 2021 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 Friday, January 29, 2021. This socially distant event will be held by grade level and contain all the fun of the previous year! Students and staff will use their healthy bodies to raise dollars to stomp out heart disease. Please help us support this effort by considering now who might sponsor your child's participation this year. You can jump online to get more information and to register your child's account by going to <http://www2.heart.org/goto/ConcordiaSturtevant>.

## ZOOM PTL MEETING – SAVE THE DATE

Mark **Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021** on your calendar! Please come and participate in the planning of our second semester activities. We hope to see many families in attendance at this Zoom meeting! An email invite will be sent at the end of the week prior.

## PLAYGROUND FUND PROGRESS 🙏

We have been blessed to see a number of donations coming in for our accessible playground project with a request to be matched using Kraft Foundation funding. The most recent was an anonymous donation provided in the amount of **\$25,000!** PRAISE THE LORD for the generosity and hearts of our supporters. This brings our total thus far, to be matched at \$31,213. (\$62,426 more going into the fund.) These dollars bring our grand total for the playground at \$134,479!!! Our initial quote was for \$154,000. While this cost is likely to increase with time passed, we are nearing the finish line. Your donations are appreciated and make a difference. Thank you!!

## PTL PJ FUNDRAISING DAYS RETURN

**Every Thursday in January**, students will be allowed to wear pajamas to school for \$2. Please remember that the pajamas must meet the other dress code requirements (shorts must be appropriate length, no holes, no inappropriate slogans or advertising, etc.). Slippers are not allowed, but you may wear footed pajamas as long as you bring shoes to wear whenever outdoors. A flyer is coming home in your child's folder today.

## 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!

## MARRIAGE AND FAMILY/SEX EDUCATION WEEK LETTER

During the weeks of January 11<sup>th</sup> and January 19<sup>th</sup>, the faculty will be teaching a unit on "A Christian's View of Sex" to students in grades K-8. A letter will be emailed with more details later this week.

## ORIGINAL WORKS FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone that participated in the Original Works fundraiser by ordering gifts featuring your child's artwork. The school received a check in the \$420.65!

## WINTER ATHLETICS

As much as we would like to provide winter athletics opportunities for our students, due to COVID limitations (gym use, community spread, etc.) we are unable to do so this year. Our prayer is that spring will allow us a track season to enjoy closing the year with. If you have an interest in assisting with this sport, please let Mrs. Klein know!

## NEW SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

Please be advised that in the event of inclement weather that requires school to close, **Concordia will provide notification to parents/guardians by email, Dojo and local news. For up-to-date information on closings, tune to Channel 4, Fox 6, or Channel 12 or their corresponding radio broadcast.** Typically, notification is released by 6:00 am. In the past, we followed RUSD's closures. However, with their physical classes not in session, we will provide our own notification to you. Please note, the Before/After School Programs will NOT operate on days school is closed. 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 15<sup>th</sup>. 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. 20<sup>th</sup> 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 Epiphany. The season has a varied length because it ends when Lent begins, and this depends on the day 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!

## **SERVICE SPOTLIGHT**

We would like to extend our thanks to the family of Robert Gorsiski Sr. for their recent donation of water bottles and various cleaning supplies to the school. Thank you for supporting our mission!

## **CHAPEL SERVICES AND OFFERINGS**

During the months of January and February, our chapel offerings will support the Hearts for Jesus/Madison Deaf Mission. Today we collected **\$62.53** for this outreach project. Thanks for supporting others with your gifts!

## **A VERSE TO REMEMBER**

“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me”.

~ Psalm 51:10 (NIV)

## **THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

“Although our New Year’s resolutions may quickly crumble, God’s plans never fail.”

~ Charles Stanley