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

EAGLE BANNER

January 10, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. January 10

- -Chapel Services
- -Creamy Chicken & Rice Soup
- Basketball Practice A-Boys, 4 – 6:00 p.m.

Thurs. January 11

- -Hamburger
- -\$2 Pajama Day
- -Cheer Practice, 4 6 p.m.

Fri. January 12

- -NO SCHOOL
- -Visitation for Mr. Bellin's Passing (9-11) & Funeral (11)

Mon. January 15

- -NO SCHOOL/Records
 Day
- Basketball Practice B-Boys, 4 – 6:00 p.m.

Tues. January 16

- -Hot Dog Tuesday
- -T-Shirt Tuesday
- -Basketball Games
- Home vs Trinity
- 5 p.m. B-Girls
- 6 p.m. B-Boys
- 7 p.m. A-Boys

2024-25 Registration

Monday, January 15, 2024 for returning families.

Open House

Sunday, January 21, 2024 Noon – 2 P.M.

PTL Meeting/Art Fair Tues. Feb. 5th

NO SCHOOL - FRIDAY, JAN. 12TH IN OBSERVANCE OF MR. BELLIN

Concordia was immensely blessed by the dedication, service, and love for Jesus shared by Mr. Bellin during his time as principal and teacher here (1993 – 2004). He also tirelessly served as treasurer for the school following his retirement. Mr. Bellin was a beacon for Christ! While saddened that he is no longer with us here, we rejoice in the peace and joy he has in heaven and look forward to being reunited with him again. His visitation will be held Friday, January 12^{th} at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 3350 Lathrop Ave, Racine, WI from 9-11 a.m. with the funeral service to follow.

REGISTRATION FOR 2024-2025 WILL OPEN MONDAY!

Concordia's online registration for next year will begin on **Monday, January 15 on RENWEB/FACTS**. Families currently enrolled in the school will have two weeks lead time to register their children before registration is opened to new families. We cannot "save" seats for students. It is necessary for all families to complete this online process promptly. More details on how to complete this process are coming home today in your child's folder (K4-8 today. Preschool will follow tomorrow.)

JOIN THE CHALLENGE TO SUPPORT HEALTHY HEARTS, PLEASE!

EVENT DATE: Thursday, January 25, 2024. Students and staff will use their healthy bodies to raise funds to stomp out heart disease and stroke. <u>Please help support this effort by considering who might sponsor your child's participation this year</u>. You can jump online to get more information and to register your child's account by going to: http://www2.heart.org/goto/ConcordiaLutheranSchoolSturtevantWl

LSW EVENTS 1/21 – 1/26

SPREAD THE WORD!

Watch for a flyer coming next week withConcordia will host an **Open House** for SPIRIT DAYS and EVENTS taking place prospective families on **Sunday, January 21st** during National Lutheran Schools Week.**from 12 – 2 p.m.** Please share this Don't miss Concordia Sunday, Open Houseinformation with others! New families are (Sun.), Kringle with the Kids (Wed.), and allalso welcome to set up a tour during the the fun dress up days and activities planned.school day by contacting the school office Check your school calendar! (262-884-0991).

SECOND QUARTER ENDING THIS WEEK!

The second quarter will end on **Thursday**, **January 11**th. It is vital that students that have been absent submit all the missed work and are current on their assignments prior to this date. **REPORT CARDS will be issued on Weds**, **Jan. 17th** to students (Grades K-8th) whose financial accounts are current – this includes payments due for childcare and other incidentals.

LUTHERAN HIGH PERMISSION SLIP

Students in grades 4-8 are bringing home a permission slip today to attend the National Lutheran Schools Week chapel and assembly coming up! Please sign and return this by the due date noted on the form.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND...

Ben Tracy is a leading expert on helping parents and students with online safety. He will be sharing extremely helpful guidance for you at Racine Lutheran High School in his presentation, *Navigating Life in the Digital Age*, on Monday, Jan. 22 at 7 p.m. Check out the flyer with today's newsletter and please attend. You'll be glad you did! (Students will receive some helpful information on Tuesday at the LHS assembly.)

DECEMBER STARS AWARD RECIPIENTS

The following students have demonstrated outstanding Christian character and were recognized as such during chapel today.

Evelyn Fletcher, Khamanii Cottingham, Jenina Lindsey, Eli Sprangers, Carson Hutchinson, Kamila Robinson, Alianna Lang, Charlotte Petersen, Ariana Seymour, Hannah Naatz, Ramina Fliess, Avi Gill, Grace Silich, Yuvraj Gill, Livia Bissett, Cameron Kincade, Kade Saldana, Emilie Barnett, and Gabriel Eberhardt.

Thanks for being a shining example to all for Jesus!

GOING ABOVE & BEYOND

The area of academic emphasis for the month of December was **Music**. The following students, thus far, are to be commended for going above and beyond: Colton Foulk, Ava Fitch, Taylor Stout, Amirah Fliess-Geraghty, Lilih Ludwigson, Penelope Kleimola, Parker Oritz, Austin Berg, Kamarion Driver, Eliot Madlock, Jaxon Kovach, Lilly Janis, and Ramina Fliess. Congratulations!

January's challenge is to go "above & beyond" in **Written Expression**. The classroom teacher has provided information on how your child can do this. Encourage them to go for it!

CONCORDIA SUNDAY COMING SOON!

We hope your family will join us for the kick-off to National Lutheran Schools Week on Jan. 21st by attending the Concordia Sunday at Holy Cross. Worship begins at 10:00 a.m. Please return the colored invitation with your response for attendance promptly. Thank you!

PLEASE NOTE: OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING RESCHEDULED

The open school board meeting that was previously scheduled for Monday, January 8th has been rescheduled for Monday, February 12th. A link to join the meeting will be emailed prior to that date.

PTL FAMLY NIGHT AT GEORGIE PORGIE'S

Tuesday, January 30th from **4 – 8 p.m.** Take a night off from cooking and join us at Georgie Porgie's Treefort, 5502 Washington Ave. Tell your friends, family, coworkers, neighbors, and come for dinner or just dessert. **We receive at least 7.5% back from ALL sales**. Help support our school/PTL. The money earned is used to purchase special items and support events for your child!

TAX DEDUCTIONS

Did you know that you can deduct up to \$4,000 per K-8th grade student? Or are you looking to deduct childcare from your 2023 taxes? Please let the office know if you need a letter stating the amount you paid for either or both of the above categories.

KEEPING OUR FAMILIES IN PRAYER

As part of our family, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We will be including you in our prayers throughout the year, here in school and at our churches. Please join us in lifting up the following families and their children, along with members of our staff, in your prayers: Kramer (Madelyn), Krenzke (Lux, Rielynn), Lancaster (Landon), Lang (Ali, Lily), and LaRose (Brayden).

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 via the local news. For up-to-date information on closings, tune to Channel 4, Fox 6, or Channel 12. Typically, notifications are released before 6:00 a.m. Please keep in mind that if RUSD is closed or goes to a 2-hour delay, Concordia will be closed. Also 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.

THIS WE BELIEVE...

We continue to share our Christian beliefs as found in the Bible and Luther's Small Catechism. Our last newsletter covered The Eighth Commandment. We'll continue with two others which pertain to love for our neighbor. Let's look at The Ninth and Tenth Commandments and what they mean to us and God's will for us in our lives. (Both of these commandments address coveting.)

The Ninth Commandment — You shall not covet your neighbor's house. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

The Tenth Commandment — You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do

not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

God created us to be content with the gifts by which He sustains our life. Coveting is the sinful desire to acquire for ourselves *anything* that belongs to our neighbor. Contentment with our own belongings results in a life of giving thanks for the blessings God provides for us and our neighbor. We should not plot to acquire our neighbor's possessions or try to lure away our neighbor's friends, spouse, or employees (or turn them against him). Instead, we should be satisfied with what he provides us, thankful to him, and help our neighbor to faithfully retain all he has been given.

WORSHIP WITH US!

Come, celebrate Epiphany with us, and join friends and family from school at one of these worship services.

Saturday, 01/13 @ Faith – 4 p.m. Saturday, 01/13 @ Pentecost – 5 p.m. Sunday, 01/14 @ Pentecost – 8:30 a.m. Sunday, 01/14 @ Faith – 9:00 a.m. Sunday, 01/14 @ Holy Cross – 10:00 a.m.

CHAPEL SERVICES AND OFFERINGS

January and February offerings will be directed to the South Wisconsin District's Hearts for Jesus project: A Place of Refuge. Deaconess Rao, from A Place of Refuge, visited today and told us how important the dollars are that we provide. Today we raised \$21.00 bringing our total to \$45.00. A goal of \$600.00 has been set to help this ministry.

TODAY'S VERSE TO REMEMBER

But as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy.

~ 1 Peter 1:15-16

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Finding happiness is the real key to success; if you enjoy what you do, success will follow.

~ Albert Schweitzer

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CLS ATHLETICS NEWS & NOTES

Boys' Basketball practice:

Monday, B-Squad 4 – 6 p.m. Wednesday, A-Squad 4 – 6 p.m.

Girls' Basketball Practice:

Week of January 10th – 17th No Practice

Cheerleading practice:

Thursday 4-6 p.m.

Up-coming Basketball Games:

January 16th

Home vs. Trinity B Girls 5 p.m. B Boys 6 p.m. A Boys 7 p.m.

January 30th

Home vs. Christian Life B Girls 5 p.m. B Boys 6 p.m. A Boys 7 p.m.

RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH NEWS FOR YOU!

