



WEDNESDAY NOTE

January 9th, 2019

Pray with Gratitude for Family

“We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers.” **1**

[Thessalonians 1:2](#)

Lord, help us to be thankful for one another. Help my children to be thankful for each other, for our family to be grateful for each member and to pray for one another continually. Our gratitude for one another will bind us together as a family, and our prayers for each other will further unify us in gratitude and love. In Jesus name, Amen.

(taken from www.Crosswalk.com)

Upcoming Events

Jan. 10	Thurs.	Chapel – 8:15am B1 Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Trinity Lutheran Racine B1 Boys' Basketball Tournament @ Mt. Calvary
Jan. 11	Fri.	Theme Day – Pajama Day Basketball Games @ Garden Homes C Boys' 4pm/B1 Girls' 5pm/B1 Boys' 6pm/A Girls' 7pm/A Boys' 8pm
Jan. 12	Sat.	B1 Boys' Basketball Tournament @ Mt. Calvary B2 Boys' Basketball Tournament @ St. Paul's Grafton B1 Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Trinity Lutheran Racine
Jan. 13	Sun.	Grades 2 & 8 Sing @ 9:15am Service B1 Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Trinity Lutheran Racine
Jan. 14	Mon.	Basketball Games @ St. Jacobi C Girls' 4pm/C Boys' 5pm/B2 Boys' 6pm
Jan. 16	Wed.	B2 Boys' Basketball Game @ St. John's Tosa – 5pm A Girls' Reserve Basketball Game @ St. John's Tosa – 6pm
Jan. 18	Fri	End of 2 nd Quarter B2 Girls' Basketball Game @ Christ St. Peter's – 4:30pm B2 Boys' Basketball Game @ Christ St. Peter's – 5:20pm Basketball Games @ St. Marcus C Boys' 4:30pm/C Girls' 4:30pm/B1 Boys' 5:30pm/B1 Girls' 5:30pm/A Girls' 6:30pm/A Boys' 6:30pm
Jan. 19	Sat.	B1 Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Trinity Caledonia C Girls' Triangular @ Trinity Waukesha – 9am/10am B2 Boys' Basketball Tournament @ Christ St. Peter's

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Jan. 20	Sun.	Grades K & 6 Sing @ 10:45am Service B1 Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Trinity Caledonia
Jan. 22	Tues.	Basketball Games vs. Atonement C Boys' 4:30pm(C)/A Girls' 4:30pm(T)/B1 Girls' 5:30pm(C)/A Boys' 5:30pm (T)/B1 Boys' 6:30pm (C) Cheerleading @ 6:30pm (C)
Jan. 25	Fri.	UNITY Parent & Grandparent Breakfast – 7:15 to 8:05am Chapel Presented by 7 th Grade – 8:15am 2 nd Quarter Recognition – 2:15pm (T) Basketball Games vs. Star of Bethlehem C Girls' 4pm (C)/B1 Boys' 4pm (T)/C Boys' 5pm (C)/B1 Boys' 5pm (T)/ B2 Boys' 6pm(C)/ A Girls' 6pm (C)/ A Boys' 7pm (T) Cheerleading @ 5pm (T)
Jan. 26	Sat.	C Boys' Basketball Tournament @ Trinity Waukesha
Jan. 27	Sun.	Children's Choir Sings @ 9:15am Service PreK – 8 th Grade Open House – 1pm to 3pm 5 th Grade Extravaganza @ WLHS – 5:30pm
Jan. 29	Tues.	B2 Girls' Basketball Game @ Christ Big Bend – 7pm
Jan. 30	Wed.	Basketball Games @ St. John's Tosa B1 Girls' 5pm/B1 Boys' 6pm/A Girls' 7pm/A Boys' 8pm
Jan. 31	Thurs.	No School – Staff Retreat
Feb. 1	Fri.	No School – Staff Retreat

*** WLHS – Wisconsin Lutheran High School ***(C) Centennial Gym ***(T) Trinity Gym

Live Generously Through Missions - Mission money is collected each time we have chapel. Our second quarter featured mission is to help support WELS Kingdom Workers as they establish reading gardens in rural Indonesia where schools have no books and limited education is offered. So far, our total offering this quarter is. \$379.35.

LES Theme Day – The next theme day is this Friday, January 11th – Pajama Day. Roll out of bed and come to school in your comfy pajamas and slippers!

2019-2020 Re-Enrollment and Tuition – Re-enrollment for next school year will begin on Friday via an email link. Also, on Friday, a letter will be sent home to every Kindergarten through 7th grade family sharing more details about our tuition, costs, revenues, and our vision for tuition as we lead and effectively carry out the gospel ministry happening in our Lutheran school. A reminder that our school parents who are members at other area WELS churches should contact your church leaders about the level of support to your family next school year. In Christ, Mr. Fitzsimmons.

Student Illness – Just a reminder, if a student becomes ill at school, the teacher or office will attempt to contact the parents first and if they cannot be reached, emergency contacts will be called. Parents or emergency contacts must come to the office to pick up the sick child. If your child has a fever or has vomited do not bring them to school until **24 hours** after symptoms are gone.



Book-It - Remember K – 5th graders to bring your Book-It Reading Logs to school every Tuesday.

Classroom Cleaning – We are asking for ten parents who have children in Kindergarten to 8th grade to do a special cleaning of the PreK and Kindergarten rooms on Thursday, January 24th from 6:00 – 9:00 pm in preparation for the Open House on Sunday, January 27th. We will take the first ten that sign up. **This will satisfy your cleaning**

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obligation for the '19-'20 school year. Please call or email Emily Meitner ([414-422-0320](tel:414-422-0320), ext. 110, emeitner@stpaulmuskego.org) to sign up.

Recognition – Second Quarter recognition will take place on Friday, January 30th at 2:15pm in the Trinity Gym.

2019 Wrestling Season at St. Paul's – All boys in grades 2 through 8 are invited to join the 2019 - wrestling team at St. Paul's. Practices will begin Tuesday, February 12th at 5:00-6:30 pm in the Centennial Gym. During this first practice we will start with a brief, but mandatory parents meeting. Practices will be every Tuesday and Thursday through the end of March at the same time and location. All questions can be directed to Jeff Foley (414-422-0422 or jeffreylfoley@hotmail.com) or Mr. Lepke (jlepke@stpaulmuskego.org).

Tax Statements – Extended Care – Statements containing a summary of your 2018 Extended Care payments and St. Paul's Tax ID number will be emailed this week. If you have any questions, contact Emily Meitner (emeitner@stpaulmuskego.org or 414-422-0320 ext. 110).

2018 Private School State Tax Credit - Parents with a child in a private school will be able to receive a tax deduction for private school tuition. Under the program, parents statewide will be able to deduct up to \$4,000 per student in grades K-8, and up to \$10,000 per high school student. To access your tax credit information, please follow these steps:

1. Log in to your TADS account
2. On the top bar click Billing
3. Click on the Household Paid Tuition Tax Report link. You will find it located below the big blue box.
4. Enter the tax year 2018

St. Paul's identifying FEIN is 39-6045365. Additional information can also be found on the [Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools website \(www.wcris.org\)](http://www.wcris.org).

Pre-Kindergarten and Lutheran Elementary School Open House and Tours – Will take place on Sunday, January 27th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Registration information is available online at www.stpmuskego.org. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Drska regarding PreK (mdrska@stpaulmuskego.org or 414-422-0320, ext. 144) or Mr. Fitzsimmons regarding Kindergarten – Grade 8 (sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org or 414-422-0320, ext.118). Please share this information with neighbors and friends and invite them to come!

Weather-Related School Cancellation Info – It's the most wonderful time of the year, isn't it!?! St. Paul's will automatically close or delay if Muskego-Norway Public Schools (MNPS) close or delay. MNPS posts emergency weather closings on their websites and local news stations. St. Paul's will post cancellations on TV Channels 4, 6, 12, and 58 (along with their associated radio stations), on our Facebook page, and send a text / email / voicemail alert through our alert system.

Scrip Rebates - Scrip rebates were applied to your TADS account this week. Please note that this was applied AFTER you received your January invoice. Therefore, the amount that will be debited from your account will be less than stated on your invoice. You can see the actual amount that will be charged by logging in to your TADS account. Please feel free to contact Becky Wetzel bwetzel@stpaulmuskego.org or Emily Meitner emeitner@stpaulmuskego.org if you have any questions!

St. Paul's Website – Visit our school website at www.stpmuskego.org. Click on the current parent page link on the left to access the hot lunch menu, current events and calendar. You can also access links to teachers' pages and more!

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Wednesday Note by Email – If you would like to receive the Wednesday Note by email, please email Emily Meitner (emeitner@stpaulmuskego.org) from the address that you would like the Note emailed to and I will add you to the distribution list. You may not receive all the attachments, but a list of items that were attached will be included.



Box Tops for Education - St. Paul's participates in the General Mills Box Tops for Education program. Simply cut the coupons out of the product packaging (NEATLY on the dotted line, please) and turn them in to your classroom's collection box. Each coupon is worth 10 cents, and all money raised helps support the activities sponsored by UNITY, our parent/teacher organization. Parents can log-on to

boxtops4education.com and register to support St. Paul's – Muskego. They can earn box tops for our school just by watching videos and entering special drawings. Start clipping!

SCRIP Program – Your SCRIP purchases are paying off! Almost \$4,000 was earned in SCRIP rebates this semester with 40 percent going towards St. Paul's Tuition Assistance Fund. The other 60 percent was distributed as tuition credit to families participating in the program. Letters will be sent home to families that participated in the SCRIP program and earned credit. Credits were issued in a lump sum, so if you are a SCRIP user on the monthly payment plan only January's invoice is affected – your remaining payments will be the same as usual. Orders will be placed every Tuesday by 9:00 am and will be available for pick-up in the office on Friday. Any questions, contact Emily Meitner (414-422-0320 or emeitner@stpaulmuskego.org).

WELS HAPPENINGS

5th Grade Extravaganza - On Sunday, January 27, WLHS will welcome hundreds of 5th graders and their families to the 5th Grade Extravaganza. The evening will include food, fun, and entertainment. Students and parents have a chance to learn about our caring, Christian environment, superior academics, award-winning co-curriculars, generous tuition assistance, and the amazing opportunities that WLHS offers. Students will tour the building in the form of a scavenger hunt. To register for this exciting event, visit wlhs.org/5thgrade.

Winter Cheer Clinic - Attention grade school cheerleaders! Come learn jumps, dances, cheers, and stunts with us on Friday, February 2, in the main gym at WLHS, starting at 9:00 a.m. Special parents showcase will be held at 1:00 p.m. Pre-registration cost is \$25, or walk-in cost the day of is \$30. Lunch will be included. Please register by Thursday, January 31, at wlhs.org/jrvikings, under "Cheer Clinic."

Wisconsin Lutheran High School Boys' Baseball Camp - The 2019 WLHS boys' baseball camp is set to take place at Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Main Gym on Sunday, January 27th, February 3rd, and February 10th. There will be two sessions each day (Grades 2-4) from 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm and (Grades 5-8) from 1:30 pm-3:00 pm. The camp will focus on proper throwing mechanics, defensive skills, and developing the hitter's swing. Registration information is located on the Wisconsin Lutheran Junior Vikings Website (wlhs.org/jrvikings). Camp fee is \$40 - the deadline to register is January 13th, 2019.

Chefs Wanted - Taher Inc., the exclusive food service management company for Wisconsin Lutheran High School, is looking for two creative, friendly, and reliable chefs who want to use their creative cooking skills to serve food and beverages to students, faculty, and friends of the high school. Duties include cooking breakfast and lunch M-F 6:00 a.m.- 2:00p.m. or working with our international department serving dinners from 1:30-7:30 p.m. and can include cooking for summer camps and occasional brunches on the weekend. Flexibility of starting full time in summer or during this school year. You do not need to be a professional chef but should possess good cooking skills.

For more information and to apply, please contact Food Services Director Sarah Derouin at chef@wlhs.org.

Job Opening--Wisconsin Lutheran High School is looking for a Gift Services and Tuition Specialist. This position is responsible for recording gifts to WLHS and the Foundation in Raiser's Edge, managing tuition payments in Smart Tuition, preparing congregational reports and assisting with events as needed. Experience with making entries into financial software is preferred. A good working knowledge of Microsoft Office is required. Candidates must be a member in good standing in a WELS congregation. Applicants should submit a resume to hr@wlhs.org.

WLHS Installation Service—A special installation celebration service for new WLHS staff will be held on Sunday, January 13, at 3:00 p.m. at Pilgrim Ev. Lutheran Church (W156 N5436 Bette Drive, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051). Academic Dean Mr. Jim Brandt and Mission Advancement Chief Development Officer Mr. John Sebald will be installed. Everyone is invited to attend.

Community Happenings

Muskego Warriors – Back by popular demand! 1st & 2nd Grade Baseball Clinics. Sessions will take place Sunday, Jan. 13th, 27th, Feb. 10th, 17th, March 3rd and March 10th from 12:30 to 2:00pm. Each session is \$20 and includes a free t-shirt. Please email Heather Rintelman for more information (hrintelman@yahoo.com) or register online at www.muskegowarriors.org.



*For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm, you,
plans to give you hope and a future.
Jeremiah 29: 11*

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