



WEDNESDAY NOTE

November 7th, 2018



Join me in a post-election prayer...

Almighty and eternal God, graciously direct those local, state and national leaders who have been elected or re-elected into positions of authority so that people everywhere may enjoy peace, justice, freedom, and a share in the goodness of your creation. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

God's blessings on your families! Mr. Fitzsimmons

Upcoming Events

Oct. 31	Wed.	Reformation Day!
Nov. 1	Thurs.	No School 3K – 8 th Grade - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Nov. 2	Fri.	No School 3K – 8 th Grade – Teacher Meeting & Work Day
Nov. 3	Sat.	Grades 7 & 8 Forensic Festival @ WLHS – 9:00am
Nov. 8	Thurs.	Chapel 8:15am Star Tip Off Tournament – Girls' BB – 7:20pm
Nov. 9	Fri.	Theme Day – Patriotic Day 1 st Quarter Recognition @ 2:15pm – Trinity Gym Star Tip Off Tournament – Boys' BB – 6:30pm
Nov. 10	Sat.	Star Tip Off Tournament – Times TBD
Nov. 11	Sun.	Junior Choir Sings – 9:15am
Nov. 14	Wed.	School Picture Retake Day
Nov. 18	Sun.	PreK Sings – 10:45am
Nov. 19	Mon.	All PreK & Kindergarten Thanksgiving Rehearsal – 8:15 to 11:00am
Nov. 21	Wed.	All PreK & Kindergarten Thanksgiving Program – 9:30am (C) No PreK or Kindergarten PM Classes Thanksgiving Worship Service – 7:00pm
Nov. 22	Thurs.	Thanksgiving Day – No School Thanksgiving Worship Service – 9:15am
Nov. 23	Fri.	No School

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

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Live Generously Through Missions - Mission money is collected each Friday. 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. Each quarter we will feature a different mission.



Book-It - Remember to bring your Book-It Reading Logs to school every Tuesday.

First Quarter Recognition – Will be held in the Trinity Gym this Friday, November 9th at 2:15 p.m.

Theme Day – Our next theme day is Patriotic Day this Friday, November 9th.

Cheer - Any girls 4th through 8th interested cheer, Practices will start next Tuesday, November 12th. Practices are once a week on Tuesdays 4:30 to 6:00, in the centennial gym. Please pick up signup form and cheer spirit wear order form from the office. The spirit wear form should be filled out and turned in at the first practice. Any questions please contact Debi Foley at 414-422-0422 or debifoley@wi.rr.com

We need your smiles and laughter! - Come join our team! St. Paul's Child Care Center is looking for a Part Time Teacher's Aide in our adorable and playful 1-year old classroom. Care needed year-round every Monday and Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. If interested, please contact Kim Neubauer-Child Care Director.

7th and 8th Grade Forensics – 7th and 8th Grade Forensic Festival was held at Wisconsin Lutheran High School last Saturday, November 3rd. Congratulations to all the students who participated. Thank you for all your hard work! The following students participated: Serious Declamation – Amber Larson (blue ribbon), Selective Storytelling – Anna Bonack (Bronze Medal), Interpretive Poetry – Katie Meyer (Gold), Playgroup – Abby Esmeier, Sophia Kennedy, Abigail Prosser, Isabelle Steidl and Serenity Witzlsteiner (Bronze Medal).

Report Cards - If you haven't already done so, please remember to send your signed report card envelope back to your child's teacher.

Picture Retake Day – Is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14th from 8:15 –10:00 am. If you are having your picture retaken, please bring your picture envelope back on retake day and turn it in to the photographer at that time. If you missed having your picture taken the first day, please bring a completed picture form in or order online at www.mylifetouch.com. Picture order forms are available in the office.

Friends of Jesus Toy Drive – St. Paul's School is participating in a toy drive for needy children. Each student can bring a new (\$15 value or more) toy or game to school by Friday, December 7th. A flyer including the labels and instructions is attached and may be found in the office. Please wrap these gifts and put the label on indicating the appropriate age/sex of the recipient as well as a brief description of the toy. These presents will be given to families in our area who are suffering through hardships, as well as needy families in the inner city of Milwaukee.

Backpacks for Homeless Veterans – Two Ways to Help - In a thanksgiving response for all God's goodness to his people here at St. Paul's, Amanda Frelka-Bruch is organizing a drive for the VA Medical Center which serves homeless veterans. Our goal is to provide veterans who fought for our freedom a small gift of gratitude. We hope to assemble 72 backpacks filled with life essentials to gift to homeless veterans. You can help out in two ways. 1) Donate new or gently used backpacks. Drop them off in the church library or the school/church office by Wednesday, November 7. 2) Volunteer a couple hours to pack the backpacks before sending them to the VA for distribution. If you would like more information or to volunteer, please contact Amanda Frelka-Bruch via email at Fbruchaj@gmail.com. Perhaps this is the RAWKs Fund (Random Acts of Worship Kindness) opportunity your family or small group is looking for.

Uniforms –Please turn in all soccer, volleyball, and cross-country uniforms to Mr. Lepke. Thank you!

Dress Code Reminder – Beginning November 1, shorts and sleeveless shirts are not acceptable attire for school.

Eligibility – Included in the Parent Handbook is a section explaining eligibility of students for extra-curricular activities. With the school year now in full swing, we wanted to reiterate this policy, which is as follows:

Students in grades 5-8 must maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) to participate in extra-curricular programs at St. Paul's Lutheran School. Extra-curricular programs include athletic teams, forensics, choir, math meet, Eaglebots, and spelling bee.

A student's GPA will be checked at the end of each quarter. A student who has a GPA less than 2.0 will be ineligible for the next quarter. If, however, an ineligible student has a GPA at 2.0 or higher at mid-term of the next quarter, the student will be eligible for the rest of the quarter. The mid-term dates for the 2018-2019 school year are: December 4, February 20, and April 30. The Athletic Director and Principal will handle special circumstances.

These are the content area grades used to determine GPA and the honor roll: Word of God, Math, Reading, Grammar and Writing, Social Studies or US History, Spelling, and Spanish. See pages 30-31 of the "Parent Handbook" on our school website under "Parent Information" for more details.

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!



St. Paul's Facebook Page - Especially to our new families here, if you are on Facebook and have not requested to join our school's Facebook page, please do so through this web address: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/531517423667601/>. Great photos and updates will start coming as the many blessings of our school year begin to happen each day!

Absent/Late Students – If your child will be absent or tardy, please call your child's teacher or the school office at 414-422-0320. It is very important that you notify us of your child's whereabouts. If your child will be later than 9:00 am, please let us know if they would like to order hot lunch.

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.

SCRIP Program – St. Paul's is excited to continue our SCRIP Tuition Program. You will have the option of applying 60% of the rebate generated by your purchases to a student who has a completed Scrip Tuition Account application on file. The other 40% goes to our LES Tuition Assistance Fund. You can also elect for the entire rebate to go to Tuition Assistance. Forms are available in the office or can be downloaded from our website (www.stpmuskego.org). SCRIP orders will be placed every Tuesday. An order form is attached. Please have your orders in by 9:00 am to the office. Remember, you can pay your Kohl's credit card with Kohl's SCRIP! Placed orders should be ready for pick up on the Friday following an order unless we are off of school. Any questions, contact Emily Meitner (emeitner@stpaulmuskego.org or 414-422-0320 ext. 110). Thanks for supporting St. Paul's by purchasing SCRIP gift cards.





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!

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES



Happy Birthday Jesus! - St. Paul's 2018 *Christmas for Kids* is Saturday, December 8, from 9:00 to 11:45 a.m. in the Trinity Café, Gym, and school. The morning will feature, singing, the Christmas story, crafts, games, and a special, surprise presentation. Register online at www.stpaulmuskego.org, complete the back of the Connection Card, or contact Dr. Nelson at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org.

Christmas for Kids is for children ages 3-12. Parents are welcome to stay and enjoy the morning.

Children are asked to bring a non-perishable food item as their "ticket" for the morning. Contact Dr. Nelson at (414)-422-0320, ext. 145 with questions.



Mommy & Me Special Saturday Session - Moms of children birth to age five (and the children) are invited to attend a special Saturday session of Mommy & Me this Saturday, November 10, 2018, from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Faith Room. Contact Samantha Lindner, Mommy & Me facilitator, with questions and to let her know you are coming (although walk-ins are fine, too). Email: sam.lindner2323@gmail.com or call/text (989) 284-2854.

WELS HAPPENINGS

WLHS Veterans Day Observance - Wisconsin Lutheran High School will hold its annual Veterans Day observance on Monday, November 12, 2018. Service men and women are invited to a complimentary plated breakfast that will be served in the WLHS cafeteria at 7:00 a.m. RSVP for the breakfast by Monday, November 5 <by either completing the form or> by registering online at www.wlhs.org/veterans. For additional questions, contact Heidi Witz, planner@wlhs.org or 414-453-4567 ext. 2004. Everyone is invited to the special Veterans Day presentation in the main gymnasium at 8:30 a.m. Nationally recognized Staff Sergeant John Wayne Walding will speak about his experiences fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan. The presentation will also be streamed live online the day of the event. For more information go to www.wlhs.org.

Hosts Needed During the Holidays - Are you interested in opening your home to an international student from WLHS over the Thanksgiving holiday or winter break? We are actively looking for caring families to serve this need. Families receive a stipend to support their efforts with the student. If you are interested in learning more, please contact the International Student Program Director, Mr. Eric Duwe, at eric.duwe@wlhs.org.

Used Legos? Donate them for WLHS students! - WLHS Art Department is looking for used legos to use for various projects and learning exercises. The legos do not need to be in a full set or the original box. Classic lego size is preferred. Contact art teacher Mr. Michael Wiechmann at michael.wiechmann@wlhs.org or 414-453-4567 ext. 1999 or drop them off at the WLHS Central Office.

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