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WEDNESDAY NOTE
September 13, 2017

For the rest of the school year, I will be sharing one short section per week from the book Foundations – a parent's introduction to Christian education. God's number one goal for us as individuals and as parents is to grow closer to Christ here on earth until we see Him face to face in heaven. These short readings are just full of wisdom based on God's Word to help you do that. Foundations is written specifically for parents, and I pray that the words I share with you from this book will be a blessing to your Christian parenting and your personal walk with Christ. Be looking for this starting next week! God's blessings to you and your family! – Mr. Fitzsimmons

Seth Fitzsimmons
 Principal

Upcoming Events

Sept. 13	Wed.	CC Star of Bethlehem Meet @ Malone Park New Berlin
Sept. 15	Fri.	Soccer Game vs. Star 4:00pm B, A VB Games vs. Trinity – 5:30pm C, A2 VB Games vs. CTL – 4:30pm
Sept. 17	Sun.	Grades 2-3 Sing - 10:45am Teacher Installation 10:45am & Welcome Lunch (following the service)
Sept. 19	Tues.	A, B VB Games @ Tosa – 4:00 & 5:00pm
Sept. 20	Wed.	CC Mukwonago Meet @ St. John's Mukwonago
Sept. 21	Thurs.	B, A, A2 VB Games @ St. Marcus – 4:30 & 5:30pm
Sept. 22	Fri.	Chapel Presented by 7 th Grade 8:15am Scholastic Book Fair – 8:00am to 4:00pm/6:00 to 8:00pm Soccer Game vs. St. Jacobi – 4:00pm A2 VB vs. Star – 3:30pm/St. Jacobi – 4:30pm UNITY Fall Festival – 5:30pm
Sept. 24	Sun.	Junior Choir Sings – 9:15am
Sept. 25	Mon.	Cousins Sub Orders Due! Nepal & Pakistan Misson Presentation
Sept. 26	Tues.	A, B VB Games @ St. Lucas – 4:00 & 5:00pm
Sept. 27	Wed.	CC Mt. Calvary Meet @ Sussex Park
Sept. 28	Thurs.	Cousins Sub Day! Soccer Game @ Garden Homes – 4:15pm A, B, C VB Games @ Star – 4:00, 5:00 & 6:00pm
Sept. 29	Fri.	No School – Teacher Inservice Day A VB @ Hales Corners Tournament

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Sept. 30 Sat. Grade School Spelling Bee (Grades 5 – 8) – 8:30am @ WLHS
A VB @ Hales Corners Tournament

*** CC – Cross Country, VB – Volleyball, WLHS – Wisconsin Lutheran High School

Missions - Mission money is collected each Friday. Envelopes for mission money are given out to each child every Wednesday. Our first quarter featured mission is supporting our synod's mission work in Nepal. Each quarter we will feature a different mission. The money donated throughout the year will be equally distributed to all four missions. The total we have collected so far this quarter is \$452.63.

Cousins Day – Sept. 28! – We will be offering Cousins subs for lunch on Sept. 28th. There will be no hot lunch available that day. Please note that milk is NOT included with the cost. Milk can be ordered separately. Orders are due Sept. 25th by 9:00 am. Late orders cannot be accepted. Please use 1 order form per person. Additional forms are available in the school office or at stpmuskego.org and click on Current Parent Page. Payment for Cousins will be billed to your Hot Lunch Account.



Fall Fest/3rd Annual Pumpkin Bowl - UNITY would like to invite everyone to the annual Fall Fest on Friday, September 22. It will be held in the Trinity Café and on the school campus. Enjoy an evening of food, games, a pitching booth, flag football games, hayrides and the school book fair. **NEW this year: An Inflatable Obstacle Course (all ages) and Candy Hunt (Pre-k thru 4th Grade).** The activities kick-off at 5:30 p.m. and last until 8:00 p.m. Purchase a wristband for \$5.00 for unlimited access to the obstacle course and pitching booth. A full schedule of events is attached. NOTE: All students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to attend the festival AND to ride on the hayride. **HAYRIDE UPDATE: Last hayride for Prek – 7th grade will be around 7:10 pm.** Many volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Be on the lookout for an email from My St. Paul's with a list of volunteer opportunities. **PUMPKIN BOWL INFO:** The Pumpkin Bowl is a friendly **flag** football competition between the upper grades. Games are played at 5:30 p.m. (6th grade plays 8th grade), 6:00 p.m. (5th grade plays 7th grade) and the championship game is set to kick-off at 6:30 p.m. **Players should arrive 15 minutes before their schedule games.** Any questions about the Pumpkin Bowl can be directed to Jenny Haag (jnhaag@wi.rr.com).

Book Fair – St. Paul's Annual Book Fair is coming September 21-22 in the Trinity Gym. Students will have an opportunity to preview or purchase books during assigned times on Thursday, September 21 and Friday, September 22. The fair will remain open after school on Friday and during the Unity Fall Festival. Parents are invited to shop the Fair during school hours on Thursday, 12:00 – 3:30 and Friday, 8:00am – 8:00pm in the Trinity Gym. Proceeds from the book fair will help support your school library. Volunteers are needed to set up the fair Wednesday night at 6:30pm, staff the fair, and pack up Friday night. If you could volunteer a few hours, please contact Sharon Faherty 262-679-0820 or sherryfaherty@gmail.com).

Book Guessing Contest - The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school next week! To commemorate this event, the school library will hold a "Guess how many books are in the Library Contest". All students in Kindergarten through 8th grade are welcome to participate. Write your name, your grade, and number of books on a slip paper and place in the box located in the library. Prizes will be awarded after the fair! Good Luck!

Extended Care - Friday, September 29, there is no school due to an in-service date for our teachers. If you plan to use Extended Care for this day you **must** complete the form attached to the Wednesday note and return it to your child's teacher, Extended Care staff, or the office. Please be specific as to the time you will be dropping off and picking up your child. We will not be allowing children who are not registered in writing to be in Extended Care on these "No School Days".

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Extended Care Part-Time Aide Position Open - Our extended care ministry serves 3K-8th grade students from 3pm-6pm. The hours needed for this open position are approximately 3pm-4:30pm, Monday through Thursday. High school students are encouraged to apply. Day hours are possible too. Anyone interested in joining our team in Extended Care should contact Mr. Fitzsimmons at sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org or at (414) 422-0320 x118, or Crystal Bourdo at cbourdo@stpaulmuskego.org or (414)422-0320 x146.

Spirit-Wear – Show your school spirit with a St. Paul's t-shirt, jacket, or more! An order form is attached and is available in the office. Make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Unity. Orders are due September 15th. Any questions contact Debi Foley (debifoley@wi.rr.com).

Honor Roll and GPA - Students in grades 6-8 are eligible for the Honor Roll, which acknowledges students for their academic achievement each quarter. The core subjects (and weights) used to determine the Honor Roll include: Word of God (1.0), math (1.0), reading (1.0), grammar and writing (1.0), science (1.0), social studies (1.0), Spanish (0.4), and spelling (0.2). B-Honor Roll is achieved with a GPA of 2.85-3.49 and A-Honor Roll is achieved with a GPA of 3.5 – 4.0.

Hot Lunch and Extended Care – Please note the billing procedure. All payments will be made through direct withdrawal from a checking or savings account or a credit card. Credit card transactions will incur a one-time flat fee of \$75 per year. Tuition Express Forms and a billing schedule are available in the office. Families without a Tuition Express Form on file will not be able to use these services.

Updated Insurance Forms – If you did not provide updated auto insurance forms at registration, please send them to the office. This needs to be on file before you drive for school activities.

School Pictures – Picture day will be Tuesday, October 10. Picture packets will be sent home the week prior.



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.

Immunizations – All kindergarteners and 6th graders are required to submit an immunization record including the newly required doses of varicella (chicken pox) and Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis). Please drop off your forms in the office as soon as possible. If your child has not received the updated immunization requirements, please contact Waukesha Public Health Center (262-896-8430) for dates and times of community immunizations clinics or contact your family healthcare provider.

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.

Music Lessons/Piano Lessons – If you are planning on music lessons for your child, please return your registration form to the school office or Pastor Bonack as soon as possible. If you are interested in piano lessons, contact Michele Eiche (414-202-7522 or meiche4@wi.rr.com).

Teacher Installation and recognition with potluck – The following called workers will be installed on Sunday, September 17th, at the 10:45 am worship service:

Miss Candy Stack - 2nd Grade
Mrs. Samantha Loescher - 3rd Grade
Mrs. Taryn Volbrecht - Kindergarten
Mrs. Kristen Miller - Spanish Teacher
Mr. Randy Fink – Church Administrator

Miss Linda Martens will also be recognized for her 40 years in the teaching ministry. Miss Martens currently serves as our morning first grade teacher and Extended Learning Coordinator. A luncheon will follow at noon in the Centennial Gym. A Needs List is available through My St. Paul's for those who would like to help that day by serving or bringing a dish to pass. A card box will be available for any notes of appreciation or gifts at the luncheon. Please contact Wendy Hendrix at (414) 688-1472 or wendylauber@yahoo.com with any questions.

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

Sunday Morning Youth Ministry Hits New Record! - Last Sunday was the “kick off” for St. Paul's Kids Club (3K-6th Grade) and Boost (7-8th Grade) ministries. 117 youth attended in what is now the new record, besting last year's 90 (see picture). We still have plenty of room, and our staff of 29 is eager to use the Sunday morning hour (9:15-10:15 a.m.) to help kids see Jesus more clearly, love him more dearly, and follow him more nearly. If you and your child are interested in joining the faith-building fun, simply come to the Trinity Café and follow the signs to your child's grade-specific classroom to register. Parents Club begins this Sunday (September 17) in the school as well. Follow the signs. There are 46 St. Paul's Lutheran School students in Kids Club/Boost.

Tug Laser Tag Was A “Blast” In More Ways Than One! - Last Sunday found 21 teens and 6 adults at “Laser Tag Adventure” in Waukesha (see picture). The evening event planned by teen, Elizabeth Eilertson (St. Paul's Class of 2017), with the help of teen, Kyle Aggen (2017), was a real success. This event was the first under our new TUG format of 2nd Sunday of the month fun or service activity planned by teens, and 4th Sunday of the month being the

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“TUG-Talk” small group discussion. The next TUG is Sunday, September 24, at which we will continue our discussion on teen suicide, using the Netflix series, “Thirteen Reasons Why” as the catalyst for conversation. TUG is held in the Trinity Café, 6:30-8:00 p.m. It is open to all St. Paul’s teens in high school and their friends.

Spectacular Sunday Bible Study Options for Parents/Adults - For parents, there will be two, excellent Bible study/discussion options during the Kids Club/Boost hour, Sundays 9:15-10:15 a.m.: PARENTS CLUB and THE GRACE ROOM. **PARENTS CLUB** will present sessions on parenting and family topics in school classroom 9. The first 6-week session is titled, “PARENTING: The Early Years--10 Biblical Traits Your Kids Will Remember You For”. This excellent, video-based course is being facilitated by Chris and Anne Meyer. The Meyers have three adult children. Chris has served in various leadership and coaching roles at St. Paul’s over the years. Anne is one of St. Paul’s preschool teachers. PARENTS CLUB is 9:15-10:15 in school classroom 9, beginning September 17. (PLEASE NOTE: Parents Club begins on the 17th to allow parents to participate in Kids Club’s Kick Off Sunday is on September 10). **THE GRACE ROOM** offers sessions on Bible books, doctrinal topics, and Christian life issues. The first session is titled, “Genesis 1-3: Let’s Get to Know God and Ourselves a Little Better”. This 5-week class, presented by retired Martin Luther College Professor, Daniel Deutschlander, will explore St. Augustine's assertion that all of theology is presented either explicitly or implicitly in the first three chapters of Genesis. Sessions are held in the church Grace Room 9:15-10:15 a.m. Professor Deutschlander’s series begins September 10.

Church Library - Please check your homes for books that belong to the church library. We have many overdue books! Thank you!

WELS HAPPENINGS

Jr. Vikings 4th Grade Boys Basketball Tryouts - Jr. Vikings boys basketball is offering an opportunity for 4th grade boys interested in attending Wisconsin Lutheran High School to increase their basketball fundamental skills, compete at a higher level, and develop relationships with future classmates at the high school. The Jr. Vikings basketball team is a select group of players chosen by the Jr. Vikings coaching staff. Register to tryout by Friday, September 15, at www.wlhs.org/JrVikings. For questions, E-mail Coach Ryan Walz at ryan.walz@wlhs.org.

Jr. Vikings Girls’ Basketball Tryouts – Jr. Vikings girls’ basketball is offering an opportunity for 5th through 8th grade girls interested in attending Wisconsin Lutheran High School to increase their basketball skills, compete at a higher level, and develop relationships with future classmates at the high school. The Jr. Vikings basketball team is a select group of players chosen by the Jr. Vikings coaching staff. Tryouts will take place Saturday, September 16th at 8am and Sunday, September 17th at 5pm in the main gym at WLHS. The cost to tryout is \$25. Any questions, please email Jr. Vikings coordinator Jessica Rice at jessicaarice1@gmail.com or Wisconsin Lutheran Head Girls Varsity basketball coach Joshua Metzger at joshua.metzger@wlhs.org.



Show me our ways, O Lord, teach me your paths; guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.

Psalm 25: 4-5

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