



# St. John Lutheran School Tiger Pause

Mrs. Shellie Kosmerchok, Principal  
September 12, 2018

## Principal News

Greetings Families of St. John,

It is unbelievable that we are on the third week of school. The Homework Club is underway and many students are taking the opportunity to get homework done at school before they go home. The Crescent News did an article on the club and the participation by the teachers to make it happen. The article is attached. We are here to help your child be successful.

Last night was the first PTL meeting. It was wonderful to see all the parents attend as well as the teachers. They funded the dog tags for the students again which is wonderful, and gave funds toward the 5th & 6th grade Outdoor Education experience the end of September. Tomorrow begins their big fundraiser, Sechler's Pickles. Our goal is to get every child to sell 1 jar in our preschool through 8th grade classrooms. The money raised helps fund projects for the school.

The students will be singing at the 9:30 a.m. service this Sunday. The teachers will be selling baked goods again for the LEA conference next fall. I look forward to seeing all of the families on Sunday.

Blessings,  
Mrs. K

### Upcoming Events

- ❖ 9/13 - Chapel w/ Mr. McGhee, 8:55 am
- ❖ 9/13 - 5&6 OE Meeting 6pm
- ❖ 9/13 - 5th Grade Band Meeting @ DES, 7pm
- ❖ 9/16 - K - 8 Sing, 9:30 am - Teacher Bake Sale
- ❖ 9/18 - Volleyball Game Home vs. St. Patrick's, 4:30 pm

### Birthdays

- 9/12 - Levi Cereghin
- 9/14 - Emerson Gillengerten
- 9/15 - Damon Strohpaul
- 9/16 - MaKayla Laker-Sierra
- 9/17 - Trae Bowers
- 9/17 - Ashley Houshoulder



## K-8 Singing

Please join our K - 8 Students on this Sunday at the 9:30 am Church Service where they will be singing. Our staff will also be having a bake sale to help with the costs of their LEA Conference next fall.

## PTL Pickles Sales

Look for information coming home today regarding pickles sales that is starting tomorrow. All money is due with orders on September 28.

## Cross Training

Wednesday Night Cross Training classes for our 1st - 5th grade classes will start tonight. Mrs. Adams will be teaching this year along with Mrs. Maggie McGhee. During the first 10 weeks the kids will be learning more about the 10 commandments.

## Chapel News

Please join your student Thursday morning for Chapel. This week will be led by Mr. McGhee at 8:55am. We will be collecting for Cherry Street Mission Ministries for the 1st quarter, so far we have collected \$37.12. Please help us by sending in your child's offering each week. We look forward to you joining us!

Thanks to everyone's offerings, our 4th quarter offering last year, we were able to collect \$312.18 for the Dravet Syndrome Foundation.

## PA System

We are working on replacing our current PA system, due to the lightning on August 6th, but would like to upgrade it so that we have a battery pack and an emergency system on the device. This would allow us to use it during a crisis. Also, we would have our bell system as part of the PA system. The additional cost is \$3574. We were able to raise a portion of this expense through the Clothes Closet and another donation, but would like your help. If you are able to help us improve our system, please consider making a donation. Please place it in an envelope marked 'school PA system.' Thank you for this consideration. Mrs. K

## Outdoor Ed Meeting

5th & 6th grade parents, please remember to mark your calendars! This Thursday, September 13 at 6pm there will be a meeting upstairs in the classroom to discuss the upcoming 3 day overnight trip to Camp Palmer. Mrs. Perchickoff is looking for adult volunteers to stay out at camp with her and the students. If interested, please contact her via FastDirect.

## Homework Club

Homework Club for our 3rd - 8th graders started yesterday after school. It will be Monday through Thursday right after school from 3:30pm - 4:30pm. If you have not signed your student up and would like to, please contact the school office or their teacher.

## Aunt Millie's School Spirit

St. John Lutheran School has enrolled in Aunt Millie's School Spirit Program. Aunt Millie's believes that education is vitally important to our children and our communities. That's why they've created the School Spirit Program - a program that will help us earn money when parents do something you already do anyway: Buying bread!

It's easy! All you have to do is clip out and save the UPC codes on the bottom of the bread bags. When we collect and turn them in, Aunt Millie's will pay us a nickel for every UPC. Those nickels add up fast, and we can use the money for any school-oriented program.

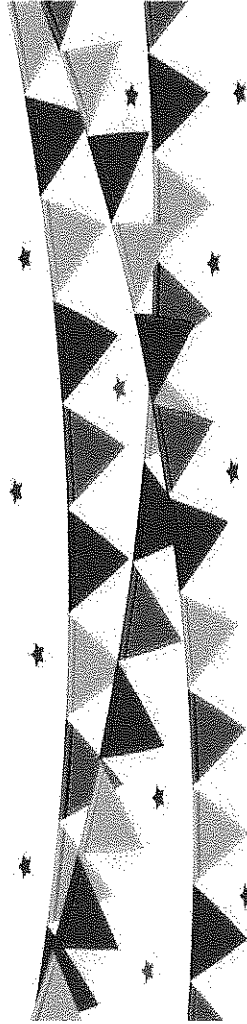


## Verse of the Week

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again, Rejoice! - Philippians 4:4

# KidVenture

Children's Ministry Hour Kick-Off



# CARNIVAL

When: September 30th

Time: 9:30 –10:30am

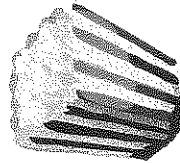
Where: Gym

Who: Kids Kindergarten -5th grade

Registration for Kidventure Hour is on the reverse side. Please bring with you.

See Jan McGhee or Angie Morris

with any questions.



# KidVenture

Children's Ministry

Sundays 9:30-10:30 am  
Room 19 (next to church entry)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Other important info you would like us to know about your child: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Person dropping child off for Kidventure Hour: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Where will this person be? \_\_\_\_\_

There is a suggested registration fee of \$3 per child to help cover costs of the teaching curriculum and craft activities.

# A little extra time to help students

## St. John Lutheran School providing Homework Club

By TIM McDONOUGH

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In today's busy society, children often find themselves pressed for time to do homework because they're involved in so many after-school activities.

In an effort to help alleviate some of the stress from both students and parents, St. John Lutheran School in Defiance is offering Homework Club for its students in grades 3-8. Homework Club takes place Monday-Thursday from 3:30-4:30 p.m., with a teacher in attendance to tutor or help if/when needed. Because Homework Club takes place after school, parents or guardians are responsible for picking up their child at 4:30 p.m.

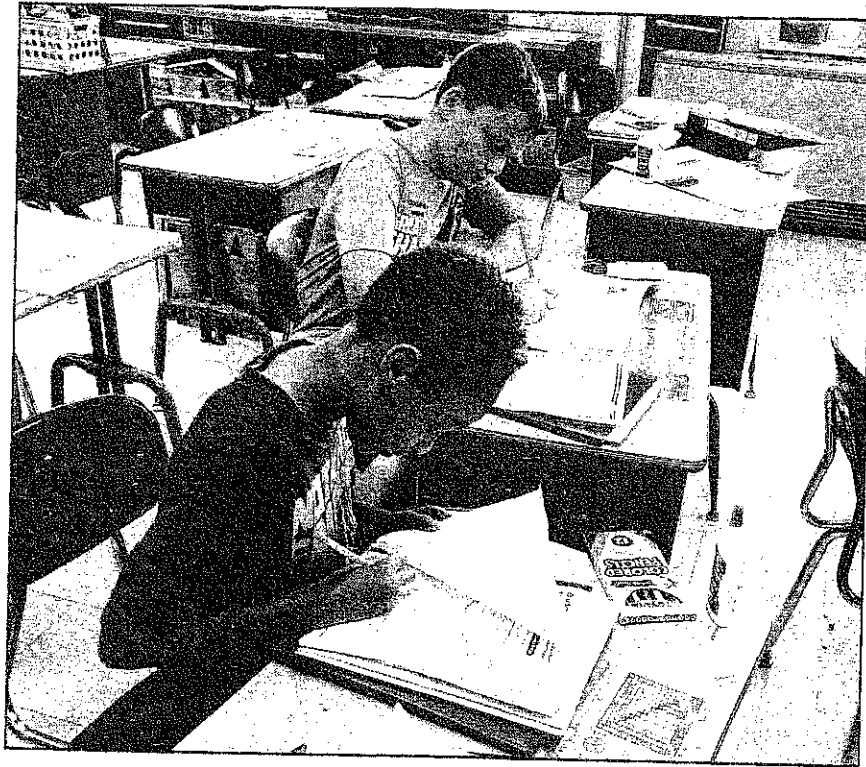
"What's great about Homework Club is that even if kids have activities two nights a week, they can stay the other two nights. It really is a great option for kids to get the help they need," said St. John Lutheran principal Shellie Kosmerchok. "When I mentioned to the teachers about doing Homework Club, I wasn't sure if they would be on board with it. I knew that some of the teachers were already tutoring after school, so I thought, why not make it more formal?"

"I wasn't sure if the teachers would be willing to do it, but they were very excited about it because they knew it would help the kids," added Kosmerchok.

Teachers Tiffany Scheurich (third grade), Carli Rossow (fourth grade), Angela Perchikoff (fifth/sixth grade) and Pat Marshall (seventh/eighth grade) each take a day during the week to tutor and help students. The teachers feel that offering Homework Club to their students will be beneficial in a number of ways.

"We had several kids taking advantage of optional tutoring after school in the past, so we thought, why not open it up to all students in grades 3-8," said Scheurich. "Giving students an opportunity to be successful by getting homework done and turned in gives them a sense of accomplishment. They can then go home, relax and be kids for a little while, which is very important."

Said Marshall: "Providing a way



Tim McDonough/C-N Photo

Sixth-graders Evan Becher (top) and Damon Strohpaal work on homework during Homework Club which is offered after school for students in grades 3-8 at St. John Lutheran School in Defiance.

for the kids to get their homework done, and get help they need, helps everyone. When their homework gets done during Homework Club, we don't have to ask them, 'Where is your homework?' It takes stress off the kids, the parents and the teachers. The kids who were coming after school in the past loved it, it really made an impact on them."

Rossow shared that helping students, especially with math, also makes a big difference.

"A lot of times, especially with the older kids when it comes to math, many of the parents either don't remember how to do it, or don't know the way it's done now," said Rossow. "We know helping the kids understand math, and helping them get it done, means a lot. Providing this time after school helps foster better relationships between students and teachers, and when a kid is struggling, this helps build a bridge that can help them be more successful."

Said Perchikoff: "We are hoping to see an increase in our students' confidence in their work, and because we have an opportunity to have more one-on-one time with students during Homework Club, we hope to see an improvement in our students' repetitive skills. As our students grow more confident in their skills through the extra time after school, we will be able to spend more time in the classroom on content."

For Kosmerchok, Homework Club is a win-win for everyone involved.

"I'm hoping that by having their kids attend Homework Club, it will take some of the pressure off the parents," Kosmerchok said. "We hope also that by showing the parents our teachers are willing to give their time to do this, it will help build better relationships with the parents as well. Homework Club is a great way to show our parents that we are willing to do what it takes to help make their kids be more successful."

# SCHOOL SPIRIT

## Eligible Products



Aunt Millie's Homestyle Honey  
Whole Grain White  
24 oz.  
71314-00380



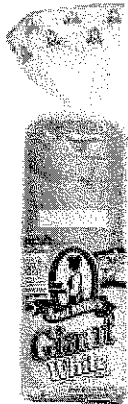
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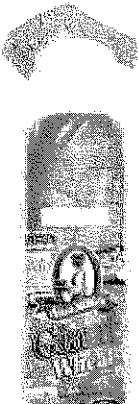
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Cracked Wheat with Whole  
Grain 24 oz.  
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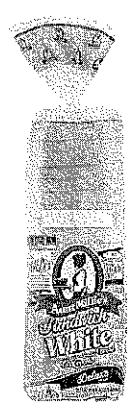
Aunt Millie's Homestyle 100%  
Whole Wheat Bread  
24 oz.  
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Aunt Millie's Deluxe White  
Bread 24 oz.  
71314-10300



Aunt Millie's Deluxe Wheat  
Bread 24 oz.  
71314-00359



Aunt Millie's Deluxe White  
Sandwich Bread 22 oz.  
71314-00050



Aunt Millie's Deluxe Wheat  
Sandwich Bread 22 oz.  
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Aunt Millie's Deluxe Texas  
Toast Bread 22 oz.  
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Aunt Millie's Family Style  
Seeded Italian Bread 24 oz.  
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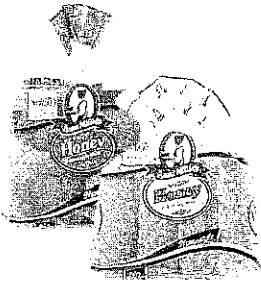


Aunt Millie's Family Style  
Butter Top Wheat 22 oz.  
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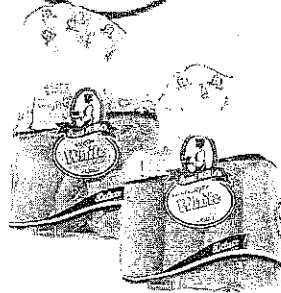


Aunt Millie's Family Style  
Butter Top White 22 oz.  
71314-00047

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Aunt Millie's Homestyle Honey  
Hamburger Buns 8 ct.  
71314-00342  
Aunt Millie's Homestyle Honey  
Hot Dog Buns 8 ct.  
71314-00341



Aunt Millie's Deluxe White  
Hamburger Buns 8 ct.  
71314-02872  
Aunt Millie's Deluxe White Hot  
Dog Buns 8 ct.  
71314-02878



Aunt Millie's Family-Style  
White Hamburger Buns 8 ct.  
71314-08741  
Aunt Millie's Family-Style  
White Hot Dog Buns 8 ct.  
71314-00538



Holsum  
King Bread 24 oz.  
70821-00057



Soft N Good  
Giant White Bread 24 oz.  
71314-00131



Perfection Soft N Good 100%  
Whole Wheat Bread 16 oz.  
71314-00087



Perfection Soft N Good  
Family White Bread 24oz.  
71314-00088



Sunbeam Whole Grain  
White Bread  
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Sunbeam Giant White Bread  
24 oz.  
71301-04737



Sunbeam 100% Whole  
Wheat Bread 16 oz.  
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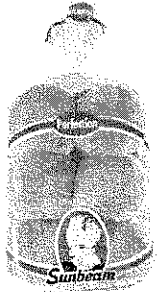
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White Bread 24 oz.  
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Sunbeam Split Top 100%  
Whole Wheat Bread  
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Hamburger Buns 12 ct.  
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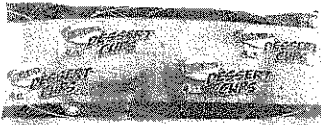
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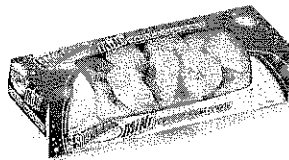
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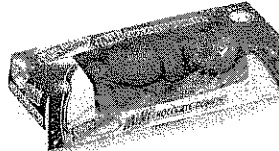
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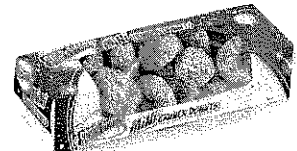
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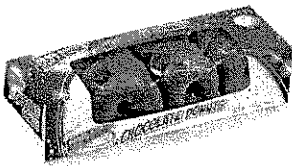
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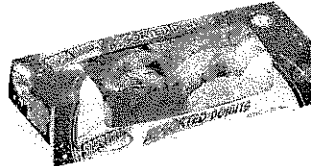
Snack Planet Chocolate  
Mini Boxed Donuts  
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Snack Planet Crunch  
Mini Boxed Donuts  
71314-08456



Snack Planet  
Chocolate Donuts 12 ct.  
71314-07469



Snack Planet  
Assorted Donuts  
71314-07459



Snack Planet  
Chocolate Mini Donuts  
71314-07453



Snack Planet  
Crunch Mini Donuts  
71314-07452



Snack Planet  
Devil's Food Rocket  
71314-07441



Snack Planet  
Raspberry Rocket  
71314-07444



Snack Planet  
Texas Cinnamon Roll  
71314-07449



Snack Planet  
Iced Honey Bun  
71314-07448



Snack Planet  
Devils Food Rockets 2 ct.  
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Snack Planet  
Raspberry Rockets 2 ct.  
71314-07544



Snack Planet  
Golden Rockets 2 ct.  
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Sample Label