



St. John Lutheran School Tiger Pause

Mrs. Shellie Kosmerchock, Principal

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Principal News

Greetings Families,

Have you ever wonder why? Why the weather is cold one day and warm the next? Why do people say things that hurt? Why do bad things happen to good people? Why do we choose the jobs we do? I often ponder these questions. Over the past few weeks, Joe and I decided to list our house due to the market. Well, it sold within 10 days and we close on Monday. Now, we have moved into a small 2 bedroom apartment and the majority of our stuff is in storage. My why now, is why do we have the stuff we do? Do we need it? Is it important? I am not so sure. When I was a senior in college in 1987 my parents had a house fire and the main area affected was my bedroom with all my treasures, including my Hope Chest. After that, I didn't collect or save anything. Now, 32 years later I realized I do save and collect stuff. Why? Is stuff important? I am not so sure!

When we leave this world, we do not take it with us. As I sat in the apartment last night I looked around and our new home is so small and different, but I realized that that is okay. It is still our home - Joe, Emmy and myself. I truly don't know why our house sold so quickly, (Ok, it was beautiful) only that I told the Lord He was in control and He knew the plans He had for us and it would sell if He planned it and it did! Sometimes it is hard to accept His plan, but I truly believe that through it all He is in control. (Even when the tenant above us has their alarm going off at 2 a.m.) We just have to believe! I know that we will adjust and we will create a home that is just ours and Emmy will survive no fenced in yard.

So, if you wonder why, take a moment and talk with God. He will reassure you that He is in control and that you need to follow the plan as it unfolds. I am amazed at the changes happening in our life, I pray that as you ask why you find peace that passes all understanding!

Have a wonderful week rejoicing in Christ!
Mrs. Kosmerchock

Upcoming Events

- ❖ 12/12- Boys BB vs. Tinora (Home)- 5:00PM
- ❖ 12/12- BCDS Meeting 7:00PM
- ❖ 12/15-Christmas Programs
 - Preschool 2:00PM
 - K-8 3:30PM
- ❖ 12/16-Boys BB vs. Holy Cross (Away)- 5:00PM
- ❖ 12/17- Boys BB vs. St. John Freedom (Home)- 5:00PM
- ❖ 12/18- Advent Service 1:00PM
- ❖ 12/18- Spelling Bee at 2:30PM
- ❖ 12/19- Boys BB vs. Trinity (Home)- 5:00PM

December Fun Facts

- Birthstone: Turquoise
- Flower: Paper White Narcissus, Holly or Poinsettia

December Birthdays

- 12/2 - Mrs. Jen Zachrich
- 12/7 - Alyssa Elston
- 12/7 - Keegan Florence
- 12/8 - Liliana Miles
- 12/9 - Gabe Richer
- 12/10 - Brayden Kerr
- 12/13 - Leana Peck
- 12/13 - Melody Ziegler
- 12/14 - Emmett Alford
- 12/14 - Amijah Watson
- 12/16 - Nathan Trinh
- 12/17 - Olivia Rensi



Early Dismissal

December 20th we will be dismissing at 2:20 pm, due to Defiance Public School having an early dismissal. Tigers Den will be available if you are needing child care.

Cookie Walk

There is a cookie walk Sunday, December 15th from 1:30-3:30PM. The cookies are \$10.00/box.

SCRIP News

Now until December 23, SCRIP is offering \$5 and \$10 gift cards for many retailers. These will make the perfect stocking stuffer and/or small gift for friends, teachers, coaches, mail carriers, and more. Only available while supplies last. Do you prefer to shop local? For a limited time only we will be carrying Little Slice of Heaven \$30.00 gift cards, with a rebate of 15%! Who needs new school spirit shirts for the basketball season? Custom Tees & Apparel are offering \$10.00 gift cards with a rebate of 10%! Both of these would make great Christmas gifts.

The last day to place an order for Christmas is December 17. Orders will be available for pick up on Thursday, December 19. There will be no scrip ordered between December 23- January 3.

All School K-8 Field Trip

The K-8 students will be going to Kingsbury Place by bus on December 20th to sing Christmas Carols to the residents. Please return the permission slip by December 17th. If you need another copy of the permission slip, please let us know.

Family of the Week

Our family of the week is McGhee Family . Learn more about them on the **3rd page** of this newsletter or visit the Family of the Week Bulletin Board in the hallway outside the school office.

The next family of the week is : **Lydianna Hyre & Family**

Spelling Bee News

The school spelling bee for the 5th-8th grade students is December 18th at 2:30 p.m, before Christmas break. Practices will be held 12/5, 12/10 and 12/12. Mrs. Lorna Smith will be the practice coach for the students during the lunch period. On December 17th, the students will be conducting practice spelling bee. Everyone is welcome to watch the spelling bee. ALL students are able to participate!

Chapel News

During the season of Advent the teachers and students will be attending the Advent service at 1 p.m. on Wednesdays. Chapel will continue after Christmas break.

Simply Give Program by Meijer

St. John Lutheran Food Pantry will be featured at Meijer from Sunday, November 10- Saturday, January 4, 2020. There will be two DOUBLE MATCH DAYS. On Tuesday, December 3 and Friday, December 13 the donations will be doubled in gift cards to us at the end of the promotion. You can pick up a donation card in the church office or pick one up at the Defiance Meijer. The cards are \$10.00 each and will be applied to your grocery order. Last year, we received \$6,610.00 in Meijer food gift cards. Thank you to everyone that helps keep our food pantry supplied!

Verse of the Week

"I spread out my hands to you; my soul thirsts for you like a parched land." - Psalm 143:6

Annual Fund Event “An Evening with Friends”

The school is busy planning this special event. The funds raised help provide CARE Grant Scholarships to our students, market the school and purchase new technology for the teachers. Please mark your calendar for March 7th, 2020! More details after Christmas break!

Come Celebrate with Us

Join us to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior at one of our services this holiday season.

- Saturday, December 21- Senior Choir Cantata- 6:30PM
- Tuesday, December 24- Christmas Eve Services at 3:30PM, 5:00PM, 6:30PM & 10:30PM (Senior Choir Cantata)
- Wednesday, December 25- Christmas Day Service at 10:00AM
- Tuesday, December 31- New Years’ Eve Service at 6:30PM

SJL Family of the Week for the week

McGhee Family

The McGhee’s are a family of four who love to have fun. We enjoy traveling and many other outdoor activities like camping and family bike rides. We have two very loving cats who entertain each other and all of us. They are both at our door to great Davis and Jaleen everyday when we arrive home. One family tradition we have kept going is spending Jaleen’s birthday in a different city each year. It has become fun for all four of us and started completely unplanned for the first several years. We look forward to several years of education and spiritual growth at St. John.

Favorite Scripture Verse

Psalm 107:1- “Give thanks to the Lord for he is good: for his mercy endures forever.”

Favorite Saying

“You get what you get, and you don’t throw a fit!”

Favorite Meal

Spaghetti, corn or green beans and Garlic Bread

Favorite Movie

Any movie we watch as a family

Favorite Vacation

Great Wolf Lodge in Colorado

Favorite Song

“I can only Imagine”

Funniest Moment

“We were swimming in a river on a camping trip and Jaleen slapped the water and said, “The river gives big high-fives!”

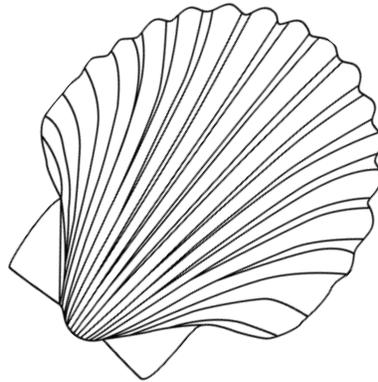
“Under the Sea”

Princess Ball

Saturday, January 25th, 2020 6:00pm – 9:00pm in the school gym

St. John Lutheran Christian Day School PTL cordially invites all young ladies to come enjoy a night of fun and dancing with their Dad/Stepfather/Grandpa/etc.

\$10/couple or family.



Light snacks and beverages will be provided. Music provided by D.J. Dave Heller.

Special guests will be Ariel!!!

Laurel's
PRINCESS PARTIES

Questions?? Email theduerks@aol.com

Yes! We will attend! ***PLEASE RSVP BY 1/15/2020***

Young Lady/Ladies _____

Escort _____