

Thursday, November 20, 2008

Dear Parents,

Notes will be sent home on **Tuesday, November 24!**

November dates:

Friday, November 21 – 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter mid-term

Sunday, November 23 – the Junior Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. service

Wednesday, November 26 – mid-term reports will go home with students in grades 1-8; the chapel choir will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade; EARLY DISMISSAL for Kindergarten – Grade 8 at **1:30 p.m.** Preschool/Extended Care and After School Care will run their regular schedule

Thursday, November 27 – the Junior Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Service

**Thursday, Nov. 27 & Friday, Nov. 28 – NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Holiday**

### **Acolyte Schedule**

If you are unable to acolyte please try to find someone to fill your time.

Saturday, November 22 at 6:30 p.m. David Downey and Miranda Mueller

Sunday, November 23 at 7:45 a.m. Nick Rinehart and Katie Fricke

Sunday, November 23 at 10:00 a.m. Katelyn Rader and Mallory Westerman

### **Booster Club News and Sports Schedule**

## **Pecans**

The pecans have arrived! The pecans are located in the school office (826-4345), the church office (826-3545) and Barb's Beauty Shop (826-2929) at 610 Solomon Street. The cost is \$7.50 for a 1 pound bag.

### **COLLINSVILLE TOURNAMENT NEWS**

The boys' A-team, accompanied by the cheerleaders, will take their undefeated season to the 16-team All-Lutheran Basketball Tournament in Collinsville this weekend. We ask for your prayers for safe traveling and that they play their best.

It would be great to see many of our St. John vehicles in the parking lots with Hornet spirit stuff. If you are interested in a license plate frame, Hornet window decal, flag, or seat cushion, please call Jill Arbeiter at 826-2578. These items, as well as tattoos, Hornet beanies, and a few shirts are available at the home games. If you bought a flag this fall and it broke, we will replace it. They are supposed to be durable for highway driving.

**Go Hornets!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

### **Games:**

Friday, Nov. 21 -23 – Collinsville Boys Basketball Tournament

Monday, Nov. 24 – Girls Basketball vs Immanuel Murphysboro away 6:00 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 24 – Boys Basketball vs St. Mark's at home 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 25 – Girls Basketball vs St. Mark's at home 6:00 p.m.

## **CHAPEL OFFERING FOR NOVEMBER**

The chapel offering for the month of November has been designated for the "Make A Wish Foundation" designated by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade.

## **SCRIP ORDERS**

Did you know that you can buy Scrip gift cards every Friday morning before school? Take a few moments to come downstairs and see what cards we have on hand. Would you be willing to help on Friday mornings in December? If you can help work the table from 7:30 – 8:00 on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, or 19<sup>th</sup> give Becky Hohgreffe a call 618-615-3186.

## **PTL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

The bazaar is fast approaching! There are a few notes attached and announcements on this note concerning the bazaar. Remember to have your orders for Advent calendars, Ornaments, Christmas cards, etc. to the school office by **Friday, November 21**. The cheeseball order forms need to be returned by **Wednesday, November 26**.

### **Just a reminder.....**

As you are shopping this weekend, please be on the lookout for holiday crafts. The PTL is asking each family to donate two craft items for the Bazaar. All crafts should be brought to school no later than Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

## **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR LUNCHEON NEWS**

The response for donations for the luncheon has been wonderful. We only need 1 turkey and a dozen ice cream buckets.

We need volunteers to bake angel food cakes for the luncheon. The mix will be provided for you, courtesy of Gilster Mary-Lee.

Workers are needed in many areas. At 1:00 p.m. on 12/3 & 12/4, we will debone the meat for the soups and turkey salad. This usually takes an hour or two. On Friday morning, 12/5, we start cooking at 7:00 a.m. If you can't get off work, maybe a grandma or grandpa would be available. The more people we have at this time, the sooner we are out of the kitchen for the coffee cake ladies.

The morning of the Bazaar, we start at 7:00 a.m. If you weren't up late, please join us. You can work a couple of hours, go home, and be back when the doors open. Every time slot is available for the serving line, kitchen, and clean up from 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Most are in 2 hour assignments. Moms, dads, grandparents, older siblings: all are welcome to join in this fellowship activity. Call Jill Arbeiter at 826-2578 to help out.

## **NEW FACILITY FUND UPDATE**

As of Monday, the New Facility Fund contains \$167,675.94. With Thanksgiving right around the corner, consider a gift to this fund. Maybe you are thankful for a new baby in the family, or for the freedom to worship in our great country. You can make a one-time, tax-deductible gift or pledge to donate several times a year. Matching funds are available through Thrivent. Contact the church office for these forms.

Have a great weekend!

Christopher Urquhart