



Principal's Pen

I was just rereading the front page in our handbook this morning. These are certainly some powerful words. Here is the mission statement on the page: "Bethlehem is a Christ-centered family with a heart for worship, a hunger for spiritual maturity, and noticeable love for people." I was struck by the last part – a noticeable love for people. As Valentine's Day approaches, it is easy to show love with cards, gifts, and actions. But if we think of the rest of the days, I wonder if our love is always **noticeable**. I know that I'm encouraged here at Bethlehem with the many acts of kindness I see. It makes the Christian character trait of **Compassion** come alive. The other day a young child was crying on the playground. Another student put her arms around him and said loudly: "Let's give him another chance." Clearly, she did what Ephesians 4:32 says: "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgives you." So as Valentine's Day ends, let's all be encouraged to show acts of love and kindness all of the time.

We are pleased to be able to have two student teachers with us beginning March 8th. This is a great opportunity for Bethlehem to help give a great start for new teachers. The student teachers will be in Mrs. Kasper and Mrs. Todd's classes. We are looking for a host family(s) for the months of March and April. Bethlehem is a great place for the student teachers. Please read the article about being a host and call the office if you are interested.

Have a great day in Jesus!
God Bless!
Jeanette Teske
Principal

School Worship Services



Join us Wed., Feb. 17 as Bethlehem's pastoral staff will lead us in Ash Wednesday Services at 8:30 a.m. We encourage parents, congregational members and all others to join the children and staff as we call upon the name of our Lord and begin this Lenten season. Ashes will be distributed during this service.

2nd Semester Band Fees Past Due

Several band students still owe 2nd semester fees. Please contact Marilyn Havekost at ext. 134 ASAP.



Prayer and Praise

The 6th grade class is encouraged to submit their prayer thoughts to Prayer & Praise by Wed., Feb. 17 (box is located in the school office).

Thank You Men's Ministry

Bethlehem's Men's Ministry sponsored a Golf Tournament this past summer in which Thrivent was matching this fun activity. Thank you Rob Hempelman, Brett Jordan and Bill Emmerich for all your hard work! Our Spanish program will be able to utilize the money matched by Thrivent (over \$1000)!

Lenten Services Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Sponsored Lenten Supper at 5:45 p.m.

Feb. 17	Lasagna (Lifelight)
Feb. 24	BBQ Beef (LWML/Mary Martha)
Mar. 3	Mexican Nite (Choir)
Mar. 10	Pizza (School VIT/PTL)
Mar. 17	Hot Dogs/Burgers (Men's Bible)
Mar. 24	Bratwurst (Thrivent)

Childwatch Open Mon., Feb. 15

Sign up forms may be found on the school web page under the paw print newsletter section entitled "President'sDay2010."

We want to apologize for the premature announcement to close Childwatch on MLK Day due to low registration. We inadvertently printed the wrong date to make the decision and consequently, announced the closure before we said we would. We are sorry for any inconvenience this caused you and your family.

Childwatch will be open all days the school is closed in March. We have lots of creative activities and fun planned, so plan to join us!



Chapel for February is “Helping Haiti”

Lutheran World Relief in cooperation with LCMS is sponsoring “Haiti Earthquake Relief.” Our Chapel offerings for the month of February will go toward helping Haitians who have lost loved ones and homes. We ask you to please pray for those in harm’s way, who have lost loved ones, homes, and livelihoods in Haiti and provide hope and mercy to God’s people.

Donations can also be made thru Thrivent Financial. For every \$2 donated, Thrivent will add \$1 in donations. Questions and/or contributions thru Thrivent may be made by calling 800-236-3736 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 pm. When prompted, please say “directory” and enter ext. 83003.

School Calendar

Feb. 12	Field Trip	
Feb. 12	Rah Rah Pep Rally	1:00 pm
Feb. 15	NO SCHOOL President’s Day	
Feb. 16-19	Spirit Week	
Feb. 18	Mid-terms grades Available on Teacherease.com	
Feb. 18	Incredible Edible Kick Off	
Feb. 19	Pep Rally	11:00 am
Feb. 22	Moms-in-Touch	8:30-9:30
Feb. 22-26	ITBS Testing Grades 2-8	
Mar. 1	Spelling Bee @Peace with Christ	

Lost and Found Gone Tomorrow

There are a lot of items left in the “Lost and Found.” Please take a moment and help your student claim their items. Those left after Friday, February 12 will be donated to a local charity.

Spirit Week Next Week

Show your school spirit by observing the following dress days (NO SCHOOL Monday, February 15):

- Tuesday – Hats, Flip Flops and Jeans
- Wednesday – Black and White Dress
- Thursday – Dr. Seuss and Pajamas
- Friday – School Colors



MOPS Meeting February 24

Our next meeting will be a panel discussion with mentoring moms. Please plan to join us on Wednesday, February 24!

ITBS Reminder

Remember we have ITBS testing Feb. 22-26 for students in grades 2-8. Adequate rest and a nutritious breakfast are a winning combination for success. Results are **usually** sent home with 3rd quarter report cards.

Lunch Menu

2-12-2010 Pizza Roll-up Salad Fruit Ice Cream Cookie Milk	2-15-2010 NO SCHOOL President’s Day
2-16-2010 SPIRIT WEEK Hat Day Top Hat Chicken Stocking Cap Potatoes Cowboy Hat Fruit Fedora Roll Baseball Cap Cookie Beanie Milk	2-17-2010 Black & White Day Polka Dot Quesadilla Negra Nachos White Fruit Skunk Cake Ebony & Ivory Milk
2-18-2010 Dr. Seuss and Pajama Day Top of the Morning Cakes Breakfast Meat Sunrise Patty Wake me up Fruit Alarm Clock Milk	2-19-2010 Red/White Spirit Day Bobcat Manicotti Spirit Bread Rah Rah Salad Red & White Fruit Champion Sundae Got Milk?

Lunch menus are available on Teacherease.com.



Looking for Host Families

One of the strengths student teachers can obtain is leaving campus and becoming familiar with life in the teaching ministry. As a host family, you can minister to individuals during this period of time and play a significant role in making the student teaching program a success. Bethlehem will have two student teachers; one with Mrs. Kasper (2nd grade), and one with Mrs. Todd (5th grade). The school is looking for families to “host” two young women. Your role would include a quiet study area, single bed, laundry facilities, morning and evening meals, showing them places of interest in the community, etc. As a “host family” you will, also, receive compensation of \$1,600. Please call the school office if you are able to minister to one or both of these two women from March 6 thru April 30.

Baby Shower for Mrs. Matyas

The 4th grade classes are sponsoring a baby shower for Mrs. Matyas on Friday, February 12 at 1:45 in the classroom. Mrs. Matyas is registered at Babys R Us. If you would like to donate to a gift card, please give money to Mrs. Hock. Otherwise, diapers, clothes, and baby accessories would be fun for the kids to watch her open during their Valentine Party. If you



have questions, please contact Renee Fry at 303-233-2067 or lizizrenee@comcast.net.

School Vision Implementation Members

The School Vision Implementation Team (VIT) is the governing body of Bethlehem Lutheran School. Listed below are the names and contact information for each VIT member for better communication.

Jean Wendelin, Chair	303-988-9437
Nathan Schomer	303-918-8243
Laura Prinzi	303-988-1765
John Dreier	303-431-0065
Kimberly Wenger	303-975-9819
Mike Siffring	303-579-6826

Email blsvit@bethluth.net to reach all VIT members.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Next Thursday, Feb. 18th is the cookie dough kick-off. Order forms will go home with students that day. Be sure to look at all the great prizes! Prizes include individual, top sellers, top classroom and a school goal of \$17,000. Mrs. Teske will dye her hair Bobcat Red if we meet the goal, please plan on being a part of this fundraiser. Proceeds will go towards the school technology program.

Super School News

Yesterday, Wednesday, Feb. 10th, Bethlehem's Super School News Team of Samantha Einspahr, Julia Culver-Ferguson, Abby Menard, Emily Kobayashi-Woods, Katie White, Elly Wenger, Samantha Inks, and Alicia Pankratz went to Rocky Mtn. PBS, Channel 6, to tape their two minute SSN news broadcast about the "goings on" at Bethlehem. The team chose to report on the library make-over and Science club after school activity. The news broadcast is available to view at PBS website and over the air. To access on the web, go to www.rmpbs.org/ssn and click on the “Watch School News” link. Click on our school’s name and you will be prompted to enter the following username and password to view the video:

Username: superschoolnews
Password: superKIDS1 (case sensitive)

See below for approximate times for viewing on TV.

Sun., Feb. 21	10:25 am
Mon., Feb. 22	4:55 pm
Tues., Feb. 23	2:55 pm
Wed., Feb. 24	10:55 am
Thurs., Feb. 25	10:25 am
Fri., Feb. 26	4:55 pm
Sat., Feb. 27	2:55 pm

Mr. Shoaf wishes to thank all of the parents for their support and help in this excellent production by the 5th and 6th graders of BLS. Your help was tremendous and very appreciated.



Scrip Cards

Gift cards are available for purchase thru the school. You may find the form online under the paw print newsletter section titled "Scrip020210." The school receives a percentage back for your purchases. You may use these funds to offset your next tuition or childcare payment, or contribute your discount to the Tuition Assistance Fund. Orders are due to the school office by **Wednesday, February 24.**

Basketball Schedules

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Feb. 19-20	SOTH Tournament	
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Feb. 12-13	Immanuel Tournament	
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LFS Looking for Foster Families

Lutheran Family Services is in desperate need in our community for foster parents who are able to provide a safe and nurturing home for children and youth. This past year 49 foster children were adopted by their foster families which have become their "forever families." If you are able to open your hearts and a safe, nurturing home, please contact Judy Lounsberry at judy.lounsberry@lfsco.org or call 303-217-5841.

Girl Scout Cookies Anyone

Girl Scout Troop #3767 (kindergarten - 3rd grade) are selling awesome cookies the following days:

- Feb. 16 & 17 3:30-4:40
- Feb. 22 & 23 3:30-4:30

If you don't want to buy cookies for yourself, donated cookies can be purchase and sent to Mean Street Ministry and/or Troops in Iraq.

"Yes, One Person Can Make a Difference"

Hub Article submitted by Laura Prinzi

Elly Wenger, a 5th grader at Bethlehem Lutheran School in Lakewood, wanted to do something to help the people of Haiti after the massive earthquake that struck in January. A few conversations later an exciting project was underway! Posters and flyers were made and the word was out - students and staff was invited to bring their loose change to school. Just 8 days later \$1,038.69 had been collected and that amount will be matched by High Rock Foundation! Awesome!!! Yes, one person can do huge things in partnership with others! What a great way for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the people of Haiti.

