

Christ Lutheran School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Friends of Christ Lutheran School,

I am happy to report that our school year is off to an excellent start. We now have more than a month of school under our belts (26 days to be exact) and things are going well. Students are settling into the daily routine of school as they learn and develop.

What can parents do to help? I want to remind you that your role in your child's education is essential. I have listed a number of ways you can help your child succeed.

1. Set and maintain a basic educational time table. This includes a consistent pattern for dinner, homework or studying and bed time. Children need a routine and they need to be well rested.
2. Have a consistent, quiet place for your child to do school work. Don't allow him/her to have a television on or music playing.
3. Work comes before play. Children should do their school work before they get on the computer, watch television, play outside, etc.
4. Be involved in your child's school work. Check his/her planner so that you know what assignments are due and which tests are coming. Check their work and help them study for tests, but don't do the work for them.
5. Make sure your child is at school on time and well prepared. A student that runs in late starts off behind and that can last the entire day.
6. Model the qualities you want your child to develop. Children watch and listen to the actions and words of their parents. Don't say one thing and do another. If you want your child to be responsible, organized, and determined, demonstrate those traits yourself.
7. Don't make excuses for his mistakes. Let him suffer the consequences. We all experience consequences when we make mistakes, so don't teach your child that he won't experience those consequences. If he leaves his homework or PE clothes at home, allow him to suffer those consequences. He will never become more responsible if you continually make up for his mistakes.
8. Be supportive of your child's teacher. Let your child know that the teacher and you are on the same team. If you have questions, always treat your child's teacher in a polite and respectful manner.

The teachers and I look forward to working with you and your child throughout the year. We pray the Lord's blessings on your child as we work together.

God's Blessings,
Terry Mooney





CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Fri, Oct 8 **No School** Volleyball Tournament begins
 Mon, Oct 11 **No School** / Columbus Day
 Wed, Oct 13 **Fundraiser delivered**
Mon, Oct 25 No School
 Tue, Oct 26 **CLS Night at McDonald's**
 Fri, Oct 29 **End of 1st Grading Period**
 Fri. Oct. 29 **CLS Carnival**

Please note that Monday, October 25th was not listed as a "no school day" on the original school calendar at the beginning of the year. It has been added as a teacher in-service day. We will also dismiss at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, November 19th.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY will be celebrated on Sunday, November 21st. It is the one Sunday of the year when we ask all of our students (K-8) to participate in the 8:00 a.m. service at Christ Lutheran Church. Please join us as we give praise to God and thanks to our congregation for our school. Feel free to invite friends and relatives



CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL NIGHT AT McDONALD'S(on Western Avenue in Peoria) will be on Tuesday, October 26th from 4:30-

7:30 pm. 20% of all sales will go to Christ Lutheran. There will be contests and lots of food, fun and fellowship. Why not take the night off from cooking and plan on joining us!

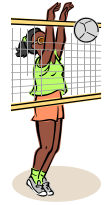
PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES will be held on Thursday and Friday, November 4th & 5th.. Your child will bring home a note asking you to choose a time for your conference. The conferences will be held in conjunction with the issuance of our first report cards of this school year. The conferences provide a great opportunity for you to talk with your child's teacher and work together for the best education of your child.

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Our 21st annual tournament begins on Friday, October 8th and runs through Sunday the 10th. There are 25 teams from 21 schools and it promises to be a great weekend of competition and fellowship. If you can help with tickets, concessions, clean-up or any of the many other jobs that need doing, please call the school office. We are also in need of men to help provide security in our parking lots. Thanks for your help! Go Lady Comets!!!



OUR ANNUAL PTL CARNIVAL is Friday, October 29th from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. Tickets are 25¢ each with games costing 1 or 2 tickets. Anyone interested in helping with the carnival or donating baked items for the cakewalk should call Deb Brown (682-5917). Plan to join us for lots of fun, games, prizes and some tasty food.



AUCTION HELP IS

NEEDED CLS will host an auction and dinner on Saturday, November 20th at the Holiday Inn, City Centre. There are several ways you could help:

- Join the auction committee.
- Donate or help us secure a donation that can be auctioned (vacations, hotel stays, automotive services, Bradley game tickets, paintings, restaurant gift cards, etc.).
- Make a cash donation.
- Sponsor a table at the event.
- Attend the dinner and auction.
- Share the names of businesses that might be willing to support the event.

Tickets and donation procurement letters are available in the school office.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES We are in need of help in several areas:

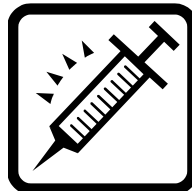
1. We need parking lot supervision at dismissal from 2:00 to 2:15 p.m. on Mondays and from 3:00 to 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday through Friday. The safety patrol will take over at 2nd dismissal. This would count toward your volunteer hours. You could do all five days or split the days with someone else.
2. We need parents to help make phone calls and/or deliver auction letters to businesses. We are seeking donations and sponsorships. Can you help?

YOUR TUITION PAYMENTS can be cut in half or even more. We have an ongoing program that will allow you to buy gift certificates from the school in which you receive 50% of the profit and the school gets 50%. You can apply your share toward tuition, lunch, band or registration fees. We have certificates from Kroger, Cub, several restaurants, department stores, gas stations and much more. For more information call Mary Ryan at 697-4374 or Cindy Martin at 637-1512.

OFFICE DEPOT donates 5% of any sale to our school when you mention our ID number at the time of the sale. Our number is 70034099. GFS will also make a donation to the school. Our number is 2172322. If you have a credit card with Target you can designate the school to receive a rebate.

BERGNER'S COMMUNITY DAYS coupon books are available in the office for \$5.00 each. Each booklet contains one \$10.00 off coupon as well as 8 merchandise coupons that offer savings of 20%. Our school gets to keep the \$5.00 cost of the books. Community Day starts at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 13th at all local Bergner's stores.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP OR WONDERING ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S RELIGION CLASSES AT SCHOOL? For more information about classes for adults, call Pastor Eckhoff at the church office 637-5309.



IMMUNIZATIONS, PHYSICALS AND DENTAL EXAMS are due by October 15th.

Children entering kindergarten and 6th grade are required to have physical exams

and children entering kindergarten need to have a vision exam. If you have not sent yours in yet, do so as soon as possible. Please call the school office if you have any questions. Children in Kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grades need to have a dental exam turned in by the end of the school year.

PEORIA CHIEFS CONCESSIONS We thank those who helped at the Chiefs games this past summer. In all, the school earned \$8072.04!

OUR FALL FUNDRAISER The products will be delivered on Wednesday, October 13th. Please make every effort to distribute your items and turn the money into the school office as soon as possible. The deadline is Monday, October 22nd.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE will participate in the Life Chain on Sunday, October 3rd at 2:30 p.m. This is an annual observance that happens simultaneously in cities across the United States. Participants will gather at Redeemer Lutheran Church and form a chain stretching from the abortion clinic on North University to Northmoor to Allen Road and Esther House and stand quietly holding signs provided by Central Illinois Right to Life. If you have any questions, please call Judy Honig at 688-04321 or Ron Reising at 263-0761.



BASKETBALL SEASON

COMING Practices begin soon and our first home game will be here before you know it (Tues. Nov. 16th). If you haven't signed up to volunteer, stop in the office or call us at 637-1512. It's a fun way to get involved in your child's activities. We look forward to seeing you at a game!



“SAVABLES” FOR CLS Please save and ask your family, friends and co-workers to save the following items:

- ❖ General Mills “Box Tops for Education”
- ❖ Campbell’s & Campbell’s cousin labels & proofs of purchase
- ❖ Computer printer ink and toner cartridges
- ❖ Old cell phones



ICE CREAM BUCKETS

Once again Mrs. Schneider is asking for empty 1 gallon ice cream buckets. Please send only those that are plain with no pictures or writing on the sides of the bucket.

CLS UNIFORM STORE Have you checked out our large assortment of gently used pants and long-sleeved shirts, sweaters and sweatshirts for fall and winter? Uniforms are available all year long and are reasonably priced at \$3.00 for “winter wear” and \$2.00 for “summer wear” (shorts, short-sleeved shirts, etc.) Please check in the office or call Christel VandeVoorde at 309-999-1234 if you have any questions.

BELTS, SHOES AND SHIRTS

Please remind your children (especially boys) to dress according to the dress code. Belts are required,

shirts are to be tucked in and tennis shoes are not to be worn in the classroom. We appreciate your help.



DO YOU SHOP GARAGE SALES? We need your help. The school needs spoons and forks for our kitchen and boys’ belts for the uniform store. We could also use some high chairs or booster seats for small children to use when we have special events or dinners.

CHRIST LUTHERAN RUNNER

Derek Heerman, 8th Grade, has been entering various races around the area and doing quite well. He was 5th overall



(1st in his age group) in the Pekin Marigold Race, 1st in the 2 Mile Fun Run at the Morton Pumpkin Festival and 1st in the 5K Bradley DPT Race.

THE CLS PARENT VOLUNTEER

PROGRAM Is in its third year. Each school family’s parents are required to volunteer a certain number of hours each semester. These hours will be tracked and logged by the specific PTL member in charge of each event. The number of volunteer hours is determined by calculating the total number of hours needed for each event each semester. Volunteer forms were handed out at registration. If you have not yet filled yours out please do so and return it to school. Additional forms are available in the school office. Please remember that a \$250.00 fee will be assessed if you choose not to participate.

****LEGAL STUFF****

ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION THE LAW REQUIRES THAT EACH YEAR I NOTIFY PARENTS AND EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE PRESENCE OF ASBESTOS IN OUR SCHOOL BUILDING. THE OLD PORTION OF OUR SCHOOL BUILDING WAS INSPECTED IN MAY OF 1989 AND SAMPLES FROM SOME AREAS WERE FOUND TO CONTAIN ASBESTOS. OTHER AREAS OF THE BUILDING (I.E. THE FLOOR TILES) WERE NOT TESTED BUT ARE ASSUMED TO CONTAIN ASBESTOS. NONE OF THE ACTUAL OR ASSUMED MATERIALS ARE FRIABLE (LOOSE OR CRUMBLY) AND THEREFORE DO NOT PRESENT ANY DANGER. WE HAVE A SET OF MANAGEMENT PLANS, AS REQUIRED BY LAW, IN THE OFFICE AND YOU ARE WELCOME TO REVIEW THEM.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL ADMITS STUDENTS OF ANY RACE, COLOR, OR NATIONAL OR ETHNIC ORIGIN TO ALL THE RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, PROGRAMS, AND ACTIVITIES GENERALLY ACCORDED TO OR MADE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS AT THE SCHOOL. IT DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, OR NATIONAL OR ETHNIC ORIGIN IN ADMINISTRATION OF ITS EDUCATIONAL POLICIES, ADMISSIONS POLICIES, SCHOLARSHIP AND LOAN PROGRAMS, AND ATHLETIC AND OTHER SCHOOL-ADMINISTERED PROGRAMS.