



PANTHER PATTERN

A weekly newsletter of St. Paul's Lutheran School (September 12, 2019)

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Last week I encouraged families to dig into the Old Testament. This week I encourage you to get to know the New Testament better. The New Testament includes details about the life of Jesus, Son of God, Savior. People learn about their Savior only through the Word of God – either by reading Scripture or when someone shares the Gospel with them. The heavens indeed “proclaim the work of his hands” (Psalm 19:1), declaring that there is a Creator God, but nature itself does not point a person to Jesus. His disciples must do that! Paul asks the Romans, “And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?” Take some time this week to get to know the New Testament better. Then share what you have learned with your family, friends, co-workers, and any others as God provides you the opportunity. There are many around us each and every day who need to be strengthened in their faith or need to know about the only place to find real, lasting hope. Share it with them, brothers and sisters, that they may have peace with God.

Principal, Ben Bain



VISITORS' PASSES

We ask that whenever you are in the building to help in a classroom, work in the library, etc., please first stop in the office to sign in and pick up a visitor's pass.

When you leave the building, please return your pass to the office and sign out. For the safety and welfare of our students we thank you for following this procedure.

LATE WORK NOTICES

There are times when children in grades 4-8 do not complete their homework on time or do not have it at school. Late notices will also be sent home with them to notify their parents that their homework was incomplete or missing. Late notices are to be signed and returned the next day with the completed assignment. Details about consequences are listed on the late slip.

SCHOOL PICTURES

If you are unsatisfied with your child's picture or your child was absent on the original picture day, **picture retakes will be Thursday, October 10.** A **BIG** thank you to the volunteers that helped out on picture day. With your help we were able to have over 200 students and 20 plus faculty photographed in 4 hours.

BAND NEWS

Regular weekly band lessons will be held on Tuesdays. First semester payments are now due. Please make your check out to Luther High School, and either submit it to Lori or Katy in the school office or mail it to Luther High School, 1501 Wilson St., Onalaska, WI 54650.

Lancer/Saber Band rehearsals start this week. Rehearsals will be held at Luther each Friday in September. Lancer (students with at least one year of experience in band) practices will be from 3:00-3:50 pm and Sabre (student in their first year of band) practices from 4:00-4:50 pm. Lancer students will be released at 2:45 pm. The first rehearsal is tomorrow, September 13! Please see Parent Square messages about carpooling.



Calendar: (2 weeks)

Thursday, September 12

- 4:15 pm GET Cross Country meet at Ettrick Golf Course

Friday, September 13

- 5:30-10:30 pm Knight for a Night (Grade 7) at Luther High School

Saturday, September 14

- 9:00 am Flag Football @Luther High School
- 9:00 am Volleyball Match @ Luther High School

Sunday, September 15

- Junior Choir sings at both the 8:00 & 10:30 am services

Tuesday, September 17

- 9:00 am KIDS Praise
- 12:30 pm Field trip Grade 2 to the USFWS on Brice Prairie
- 6:00 pm Panther Parents' Potluck (bring food at 5:45pm)

Wednesday, September 18

- 8:00 am Chapel Service

Sunday, September 22

- Grades 3 & 4 sing in 10:30 service

Monday, September 23

- WELSSA visit (Pre-school)

Tuesday, September 24

- 9:00 am Kids Praise

Wednesday, September 25

- 8:00 am Chapel Service
- 4:00 pm LALSAC Cross Country Meet - Maple Grove Venues

ONALASKA FOOD PANTRY

As in the past, we want to encourage our students to consider helping those in the area who are less fortunate than they. One way of doing that is by bringing some non-perishable food items to school each week for the Onalaska Food Basket. We will place the food items in the baskets on our way into chapel services on Wednesdays. Wouldn't it be great if we could fill the basket to overflowing every week?

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Just a reminder that on **September 27**, Luther will be running a special schedule (2-hour late start) as they will be having faculty in-service in the morning. **Busses will run 2 hours later on that Friday so if your child rides the Luther bus, please note to make other arrangements for that morning.** All PM routes will run as normal.

SCIENCE AND FINE ARTS FAIR

Entries for vocals, arts & crafts, or band for the fall fair should be given to the teachers no later than Thursday, October 10. Students will be selected by their teachers for the Math, Chess, and Spelling portions of the fair. When we have specific times for the day's events, we will get them out. Please keep Saturday, November 2, open on your calendar. It is always an enjoyable day. For additional information regarding guidelines and events go to the La Crosse Area Lutheran Schools website (www.lalschools.org). Under resources select "Science and Arts Fair." Then select "Fall Fair!"

PANTHER PARENT QUARTERLY MEETING AND POTLUCK

The first Panther Parent Quarterly meeting will be on Tuesday, September 17th. The meeting will be a potluck. Potluck will begin at 5:45 with the meeting starting at 6:00 pm. **ALL parents of St. Paul's students are automatically a member of the Panther Parent organization.** We encourage all parents to join us. We will be discussing what the year will look like for the Panther Parents.

HOLMEN BUSING

Only Holmen residents will be allowed to ride the Holmen bus. If you need to transport a non-Holmen resident, the bus company requests you please make other arrangements for transportation.

"KNIGHT FOR A NIGHT"

Students in seventh grade are invited to attend "Knight for a Night" Friday, September 13, from 5:30-10:30 pm, at Luther High School. It may be cold outside for the football game and the bonfire, please bring appropriate outdoor clothing.

REMINDER

The office needs to have all vaccinations and Birth Certificate Verification forms on file. If you have not submitted either of those to the office, please get them in to Lori or Katy in the office as soon as possible.

PARENT SQUARE

Parent Square is a tool that the school use to communicate with all parents. If you have questions about signing up with Parent Square or are not receiving notification, please see Lori or Katy in the school office.