

# Bluejay Bulletin

August 28, 2009

## Calendar Updates for Next Week

### August/ September Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 Education Committee 6:30 PM	2 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Soccer 5:00 @ St.Peter's, FDL	3 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Soccer 4:30 @ Randolph Christian	4 NO SCHOOL  Enjoy the Labor Day weekend!	5

### *From the Faculty's Desk*

*"For none of us lives to himself alone and none of us dies to himself alone. If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord." Romans 14:7,8*

### We Belong to the Lord

Our hearts are saddened by death, and of course our honor and respect is paid to those who have died - but the first concern is about the living. Rescue attempts are made for those who still have a chance to survive. Food and water are sent for those who are still fighting for life. Shelters are provided for those who will still wake up in the morning. Homes and cities will be rebuilt for those who can return to them.

But faith in the Lord Jesus gives us hope in life and in death. That's the very reason he died and returned to life. The Lord Jesus received the punishment of our sin and rescued us from the fear of our death. By faith, we belong to him. Heaven is ours. This great truth gives us the conviction to oppose the evil things that separate us, the compassion to support the sick and suffering, and the comfort to live life and to face death.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, not only do you give us life, but you have bought and paid for us by the blood of your Son that we may belong to you in death. Lead us to live today in such a way that says, "We belong to the Lord." Amen.

### **Are you interested in increasing your daily devotional life?**

You can do that quickly and easily by logging on to:

[www.wels.net](http://www.wels.net)

and scroll down to "daily devotions"!

That's where this devotion came from!

## School News

**Mission Offering: None collected during chapel this week. The offerings some children gave to their teachers will be counted in next week's offering.**

### Classroom News

#### **Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade News:**

We're off to a good start! Having a mixture of 4K's, 5K's, and Grade 1 rather than all 4K's has been very helpful. The older children are good models for the younger ones. (even if they don't know it!) We've also had several adult helpers already this week: Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Swanke & Michaela, and Mrs. Bargaquast. Thank you!

The original information you were given said the tentative days for Phy. Ed. were Tuesday and Thursday. This has been changed. **Phy. Ed. will be on Wednesdays and Fridays.** Mr. Bohl will take them on Wednesdays and Mrs. Kuenn will have Phy. Ed. with them on Fridays.

One thing overlooked in the classroom procedures note was that **it is helpful** for the children, especially 4K's, **to have a change of clothes here at school.** Milk can get spilled or other accidents can happen that make extra clothes a handy thing to have.

As Pastor mentioned in the Opening Service, **Chapel will be on Tuesdays this year.** The first Tuesday of the month we will have Chapel in church. The other Tuesdays we will have chapel in the school gymnasium. You will receive an offering envelope/Ziploc bag for your child's weekly offering.

**Milk Break** is definitely \$22.50 per semester. You are asked to pay for the entire semester at once.

Please continue to be aware of the food allergy in our room. Peanuts and other nuts are the biggest threat. If your child has peanut butter on his/her toast for breakfast, make sure hands and face are thoroughly washed before coming to school.

All grades study phonics—the study of letter sounds. We use something called Zoo Phonics. For those of you new to Zoo Phonics, each letter of the alphabet has an animal assigned to it whose name connects with the primary sound the letter makes. There is also an action to go with each letter. We work on the sounds of the letters first, letter names are incidental at the 4K level. We also use primarily lower case letters at the 4K level. It's a very active approach to learning phonics! If you have further questions, please contact Mrs. Kuenn.

#### **Show n' Tell-- FREE CHOICE NEXT WEEK!**

Each child will be assigned a day for Show n' Tell as follows.

**Monday**—Evan, Riley, Amber

**Tuesday**—Delaney, Anna, Jessy

**Wednesday**—Emily, Cael, Carson

**Thursday**—Connor, Kyle, Jenna

#### **Memory Treasure:**

**Wednesday:** 4K, 5K, 1—Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

### Notes from Grades 2-5 (Mrs. Krueger):

**Welcome back everyone!** It was good to see smiles on everyone's faces on the first day of school. Maybe reality will set in next week when the children realize this work isn't going to end for awhile – a long while. ☺

Several items are attached to this newsletter – general school news as well as classroom news. Please look everything over very carefully, and if you have any questions about anything, please give me a call (294-6432). If I don't know the answer, I'll find someone who does.

The attached **reading calendar** keeps track of your child's at-home oral reading. Oral reading is so beneficial for your child. It improves their reading skills because they hear their mistakes and correct them, or someone else hears it and corrects it for them. It is also known for improving their comprehension skills. The children are asked to read 15 minutes each day to someone at home (or in the car, etc.). This can be a school assignment and/or books for enjoyment. Whoever listens to the child read should sign his name to the date box on the calendar. See the calendar, too, for the incentives that are included with this year-long project. The calendar gets handed in at the beginning of the next month to redeem the awarded treasure chest points.

Treasure chest points are accumulated during the school year. At the end of each quarter the children are allowed to "purchase" items from the treasure chest with their points. Points are awarded for various work, such as the reading calendar, doing well or improving on memory work, having a clean desk, spelling bees, math contests, and so on.

The first set of **Scholastic Book Club order forms** went home today. If you are interested in purchasing something from any of the clubs, please look the items over carefully, because sometimes the books and/or materials are inappropriate for our children. When purchasing an item, be sure to put your child's name on the order form and return it to school with the money. Checks are to be written out to Terry Krueger. The book club company will only take one check so I write out that check for all of the orders. Book club forms are usually due the Friday after you receive the order forms.

The children have asked me for a daily schedule. I have one typed out but I'm using it next week to see if it really works. Hopefully it will work and then you'll also get a copy with the next newsletter. A **student list** was attached to this newsletter.

The memory treasures are in the Christ-Light books. We mark the date for the memory treasures your child needs to learn. If your child struggles with memory work, sometimes it helps to start learning the work on the weekend. I'll try to remind the children to take their books home on Fridays.

#### **Christ-Light Memory Treasures:**

Wednesday – Book A: John 3:16 – Romans 3:23 – Romans 6:23

Thursday – Book B: Romans 6:23 – I John 3:15

Friday – Book B: The Second Article of the Apostles' Creed

### Notes from Grades 6-8

Welcome Back!! It has been awhile since school has been in session. It is good to see everyone again. We have **a new student** in our classroom this year. Kaitlyn Rost is our new 7<sup>th</sup> grader this year. She is very excited to be the only girl in 7<sup>th</sup> grade! Luckily she has other girls in the classroom to ignore the boys with.

This first week was spent mostly getting back into the routine of school- getting the daily schedule tweaked, reviewing in the majority of our classes, and being in a classroom most of the day. Next week we will start digging deeper into classes.

Starting next week the students will be bringing home take-home folders with daily assignment sheets. Please look these over and sign them (only if the work is completed though.)

There are a few differences this year with the way the school day is run. Instead of having art with Mrs. Krueger and junior choir, there will be no junior choir (instead we will just be singing as a classroom) and Mr. Bohl will be teaching art. Mrs. Kuenn will still be teaching music though on Wednesdays while Mr. Bohl has Phy. Ed with Mrs. Kuenn's class.

Also as Pastor mentioned in the Opening Service, **Chapel will be on Tuesdays this year.** The first Tuesday of the month we will have Chapel in church. The other Tuesdays we will have chapel in the school gymnasium. Any parent who would like to attend is more than welcome.

**September's book orders are due Saturday August 29<sup>th</sup>.** Just a reminder you may send them back to school with cash or a check (written out to Adam Bohl) or you may put your order in on-line. In case you lost the sheet that says the website is:

[www.scholastic.com/clubsordering](http://www.scholastic.com/clubsordering)

The class name is: MrBohlsClass and the password is: nutmeg.

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If you ever have any questions about anything please feel free to contact me. My cell phone number is 951-837-0442. The best email address to get a hold of me is [mr.bohl@yahoo.com](mailto:mr.bohl@yahoo.com).

#### **Memory Work for Mr. Bohl**

**Wednesday:** 2 Timothy 3:15-17

**Friday:** Hymn 152:1,7