



Bear Facts

The Weekly Newsletter of
Bethany Lutheran School
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



I don't know about you, but I can't believe this is the last newsletter of the school year. Seems like I was just sitting down to write column number 1, and here I am at column number 38! Wow.

What an incredible year we've had! THANK YOU for your support of our ministry here, and your love for all our kids. THANK YOU for pitching in and volunteering your time for all our activities. THANK YOU for holding our school in prayer.

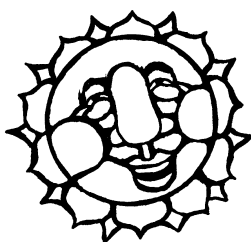
A huge THANK YOU, too, to our incredible faculty and staff. It is a privilege to serve alongside you in our part of His vineyard.

THANK YOU, also, to our Bethany students. You always bring a smile to my face...you're the best!

Finally, a huge THANK YOU to Karl, Ryan and Jacob, the best cheering section a wife and mom could ask for.

Have a blessed summer, Bethany family.

*Serving Him with you,
Dr. Fink*



Class Lists

We have been blessed, these past few years, to be able to post class lists by the third week of June. We won't be able to do that this year, however, due to staffing and enrollment decisions that are yet to be made. We know this is a real paradigm shift for Bethany parents, so we thank you in advance for your understanding. ☺

It will be easier on the school office if you would avoid calling to see if the lists have been posted. Instead, please check the Bethany school website. We will put a notice there when the lists have been posted. Thanks!

Summer Office Hours

The school office will be open from 9-3 in the summer. Scrip is sold all summer so you can continue to build up your tuition rebate. The office will be closed on July 3.

Arrowhead Summer Camp

The Pacific Southwest District (LCMS) Outdoor Ministry team invites you to enjoy an incredible week of adventure in the mountains for one week only-: August 2nd-7th at Arrowhead Lutheran Camp. Hurry, space is limited! Campers from 5 to 17 years old are welcome. Get more information at outdoorministry.org or see Pastor Seth.

Great job collecting Boxtops, Bethany Bears! Mrs. Werner's class won the pizza party with 854 boxtops collected. Way to go! Keep collecting for next year!
Boxtops Graham

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DON'T FORGET

- ☺ June 10-Park and Pool
- ☺ June 11-Last day of school, minimum day, K Graduation at 11:00.
- ☺ June 22-26-Vacation Bible School at Bethany
- ☺ Aug. 23 and 26-Family Classroom Visits
- ☺ Sept. 8-First Day of School for 2009-2010

FLAMINGO SEASON IS HERE!

Help support Mission Alaska 2009 and have some fun at the same time. A few pesky flocks of flamingos have been spotted in the greater Long Beach/Lakewood area and you can send a flock to someone you care about.

Here is how it works: Come to the table in Friendship Square on Sunday morning and with a donation of \$10 a flock of flamingos will be delivered to the property you determine. The person who finds the infestation will have to call one of the Flamingo Wranglers to remove the pests. Removal will be for a donation of \$15. Flamingo insurance is also available for a donation of \$25 and will cover all removal fees for the entire season. Flocks can only infest private property and cannot roost at apartments or condos (sorry).

If you have more questions, come to the table in Friendship Square or email Seth smoorman@bethanylutheran.org



The FISHin' Hole
Opportunities to Serve

Do you sew? Our Bethany mascot, Bubba, needs some repair. See Dr. Fink if you'd like to take on this task. ☺

Can You Be A PTL Helper!

If you're interested in joining the PTL, but cannot serve as a PTL Chairperson, please consider being a PTL Helper. It's a great way to show your support of our wonderful school. The PTL puts on many events throughout the year and they cannot do it alone! If you can help, please fill out the attached flyer and return to the school office or email Pam Highwart at highpam@verizon.net.



Congratulations to the Bethany Alumni Class of '05!

As they are about to graduate from High School, may God continue to bless them!

Special congrats to DiDi Neally (Lakewood High), Natalie Joumblat & Brittany Feinberg (Valley Christian): all 3 gals maintained straight "A"'s for all four years and are now on their way to UCLA, UC Davis and UC Berkley...way to go!

Our last Moms in Touch for the school year is Wednesday, June 3. Join us in the thanking God for another great school year. We meet in the conference room 8:45-9:45.

Reminder-

Please recall that all fees must be paid in full before your child may have his/her yearbook. This includes tuition, EDC, Music Academy, and FISH fees. Also a reminder that the second half of your registration fee is due before the end of the school year.



Blessings to Bethany's Class of 2009!

Rylee Anderson
Briana Betz
Sarah Black
Angela Boyer
Kelly Bumgardner
Erin Copplin
John Crawford
Paul Delgado
Bryttani Ford
Brianna Foster
Amber Goebel
Hia Hndrex
Cory Kaukai-Valedictorian
Brian Kung
Kristin Lee
Marielle Leviste
Erin Loehnert
Anthony McDonald
Serena Napier
Kylee Nieto
Alexandra Pollard
Janelle Porter
Jennifer Reilly
Kelsi Robinson
Brett Rogers
Mia Vanelli
Madeline Wall
Jessica Washington
Adam White
Steve White
Basha Wills
Alyson Young

Parents-

Your children will receive their yearbooks soon, and will engage in that time-honored tradition of signing each other's books. Please take time to talk to your children about the *manners* involved in this activity: no mean/bad words, no signing on top of pictures, etc. Thanks for your help with this teachable moment.



Purchasing SCRIP all summer will reduce your tuition cost for next year! SCRIP can be purchased in the school office Monday – Friday, in Friendship Square on Sunday morning, plus orders can be dropped off and picked up in the EDC summer camp office.

SCRIP has lots of good gift ideas for Dad's and Grad's. What kind of Dad do you have? Handyman Dad's will like Pep Boys, Sears, Home Depot or Lowes. Active Dad's will like Big 5, Sports Authority or Golfsmith. Well dressed Dad's would like Brooks Brothers, Macy's or Men's Wearhouse. If you give your Dad an Amazon.com certificate he can choose just about anything he wants. We even have something for Hard-to-Shop-for-Dad's: Coldstone Creamery, See's Candy or choose from the many restaurant gift cards we have to offer. Grads would also like an Amazon.com certificate or help them set up their dorm room with Bed, Bath & Beyond, Home Goods or The Container Store.

Teacher Wish Lists are in the school office for you to look at before you choose an end of the year gift for your teacher.

Summer means more time for reading for fun, don't forget to buy Barnes & Noble or Borders gift cards. If you like to order books on-line we can order \$100 Barnes & Noble cards, or you can use Amazon.com certificates.

Thanks for supporting our Scrip program!