

St. John School

BADGER BYTES

Principal's Corner - Mr. Snow

Our students are collecting money so we can buy gifts for children on the Green Lake Co. angel tree. Instead of exchanging gifts with classmates we encourage you to send money in so that we can share the love of Christ with those who are less fortunate. We need to have the gifts ready for pick up by December 11th. So if you wish to participate please send your donation in next week.

We are still running our fruit sale. Please get your orders in by December 4.

Our first basketball game is Tuesday, December 5th girls play at 4:30 boys play at 5:30. Go team go!

Report Cards come out December 6th

Advent services begin on Wednesday December 6th at 7:00 p.m. The other Advent services will be on the 13th and 20th at 7:00 p.m. Please take advantage of these opportunities to prepare for the coming of the Christ Child.

The annual Cookie Walk will be held Sunday, December 10 after the 9 am worship service in the church lower level. Each family is to make 4 - 8 dozen nice cookies for this event. Bring them to church that morning or bring them to school on Friday, December 8. Any questions, please see Mrs. Wallner.

Please encourage you children to practice their parts for the upcoming Christmas program on December 22nd. The program is being held at the Berlin High School Auditorium at

December 1, 2017

Weekly Edition

Upcoming Events

December 5—
B-Ball Game @
Home/W
Bloomfield 4:30
p.m.

December 6—
Report Cards

December 8—
Grades 3rd-8th
State Capital
Field Trip,
Madison

December 10—
Cookie Walk

December 12—
B-Ball Game @
Home/FVCA 5:30
p.m. (Boys Only)

December 22—
Christmas
Program



Chapel Offering: \$ 14.21 Total Offerings: \$14.21

4K
Mrs. Snow

Thank you to all our families who were able to join us for our Thanksgiving Feast. The food that you brought in was delicious. We hope to see you all again at our Christmas program on the 22nd.

We are asking each child to bring in a plastic gallon milk jug, a white string of lights and a paper bag. We will be using these for a Christmas gift for our families.

Jesus Time

This week we read how the children of Israel were grumbling as they were traveling through the wilderness. God sent serpents into their camp as a punishment. Moses made a bronze serpent that he put upon a pole. If those who were bitten looked to the pole they would be healed. If not, they would die. If we look to Christ on the cross we too can live eternally.



PS/K
Miss Linse

In 3K, we talked about the birth of John and how as a grown-up he would prepare the way for Jesus. We used this story to remember that even though we are still little we can also tell others about Jesus and God's love for them. We had fun starting a wintery art project and cannot wait to do more art activities. In Kindergarten we will be counting down the days until Christmas while remembering what Christmas is truly about, it isn't the Santa clause or presents, but the birth of Jesus Christ our Savior. Also, we are hard at work practicing for the Christmas program. We are finishing with our eighth Superkid friend Icky and the letter "Ii" and will meet a new friend next week. We are collecting money or items for our Angel Tree gifts: clothes for a 5 year-old boy, size small; he also likes all things monster truck and clothes size small for a 5 year-old girl who also likes barbies.

1st/2nd
Mrs. Fritsch

This week we finished our unit on some of the leaders in the Bible: Deborah, Samson, Hannah, her son Samuel, who anointed David to be King of Israel after Saul. We also heard about David and how much he trusted in God to use one stone to kill the champion Goliath, who was over 9 feet tall! David's son Solomon was the King who ordered the Temple to be built. We also heard how King Jehoshaphat prayed before going to battle, and he told the worship leader to sing praises and lead them in battle. They sang, "Give thanks to the Lord, His steadfast love endures forever." We finished the week with Esther, King Ahab and wicked Queen Jezebel. In math, we took Lesson 50 Assessment and took the Star 360 Math test. In Superkids we read all of our stories that we've been practicing, 2nd grade learned punctuation in a list with commas and periods. 1st grade is learning geometric solids, and subtraction. We are also working a lot on the Christmas Program for December 22. New Spelling words for next week, and notes to be signed and returned Monday.

**3rd/4th Grade
Mrs. Schram**

Our field trip to the state capitol is Friday, December 8th. Our class made ornaments for the capitol's Christmas tree. We are very excited to go to Madison and see the ornaments hanging on the tree. Joan Ballweg, our state representative, is out of the office on the 8th, but a photographer has been assigned to our school to take a group picture. Your child will get a picture to keep. A great souvenir of their day at the capitol. Speaking of souvenirs, I am sending home a letter from Wisconsin Veteran's Museum explaining some of the items they sell and different options for you to be aware of. Science test will be Monday, December 4. The test will cover chapters 7&8. Our classroom is participating in the angel tree program. We have received a boy and girl angel to shop for. I would like to take the class next Thursday, December 7, to Wal-Mart to shop for our angels. We are asking for monetary donations. Please consider donating whatever you can and we will use the money to buy our gifts. I will need a driver to take us to Wal-Mart. Our classroom has a Christmas party on December 22. Students do not exchange gifts with each other, but with a giving heart we shop for our angels instead of giving each other gifts..

**5th/6th Grade
Mr. Snow**

Next Friday we are traveling to Madison to tour the Capital and Veteran's Memorial Museum. Please make sure that you have signed and returned a permission slip along with your money. In reading our travelers have left Dragon Island and are heading into uncharted territory. They have found three of the Narnian lords so far. Ask your child about the book. We took Math test number 8 today. Report cards will come home next Wednesday for your signature. Please return. Have a great weekend.

**7th/8th Grade
Mrs. GeRue**

We finished our science chapter on rocks and will be testing early next week. We will also be having a social studies test middle to late next week as we are reviewing the chapter on the English settlements. We are also continuing work on our research reports.

Those with parts to memorize for the Christmas program need to be working on their lines. Parts should be memorized by December 8th.

The first payment due on the candy bar sales is December 5th. You must have the amount of the first payment turned in by that date, and any additional sale money can also be turned in. Final sales need to be done by December 22nd.



Timber Rattler Family Day has been scheduled for Sunday, June 10. More information will be available in January.

Fruit Sale

Sell that Fruit! The fruit sale is on until Dec. 4th. If our sales are 5% more than last years the school will get an extra 2% of the total sales. Please make sure the family name is on the order form when turned in.

Sports

Schedule change: Boys basketball practices on Thursdays will now end at 5:30. The first basketball games of the season are on Tuesday, December 5th. They are here at home against West Bloomfield. Girls play at 4:30 and the boys play at 5:30. Cheerleaders need to be dressed at here, ready to cheer by 5:00.

ATTENTION, PARENTS!!!!!!!!!!!!

The annual **COOKIE WALK** will be held **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10** after the 9 am worship service in the church lower level. **EACH** family is to make 4 - 8 dozen nice cookies for this event. Bring them to church that morning or bring them to school on Friday, December 8. Thank you - any questions, please see Mrs. Wallner.

Scrip

Purchases can be used to offset tuition or 8th grade class trip expenses. Vendors provide the congregation gift cards at a discounted rate. This is a simple program that allows you to spend exactly the same dollars you would normally spend for things like gas, groceries, restaurants, etc. and apply the discounts to your tuition. You may start participating any time and use the credits towards next year's tuition (a great way to minimize your pre-payment). There is no fee to participate. Please email Julie Snow (jsnow@stjohnberlin.org) for more information on this program.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REMINDER:

Sunday School practice begins this Sunday, December 3 **AT THE CHURCH** after the 9 am service. We will also practice December 10 and 17 in church. Please get your children to these practices. Our Christmas Eve Service is December 24 at 4 pm.

Thank you Handbell and Recorder Students and Parents for attending our mini concert on Tuesday. It was a nice way for the students to show case what they have learned. Thank you again for supporting their musical education.

Hot Lunch Next Week

Monday December 4

Chicken Fajitas

Tuesday December 5

Lasagna

Wednesday December 6

Chicken Patty on WG Bun

Thursday December 7

Turkey Ala King

Friday December 8

Chicken Nuggets

**REMEMBER, YOU CAN CHECK YOUR
TUITION AND LUNCH BALANCES
ON SYCAMORE**



Lunch Tickets

Grades K – 5: 5 meals = \$12.50 (1 meal \$2.50)

Grades 6 – 8: 5 meals = \$13.75 (1 meal \$2.75)

Adult Meals: \$4.00 per lunch

FAMILY NAME:

Student		No. of Meals	@ \$		=	
Student		No. of Meals	@ \$		=	
Student		No. of Meals	@ \$		=	

Milk Tickets

No. of Milk		@ \$7 per 20 =	\$
TOTAL:			

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN SCHOOL - SCRIP ORDER FORM

Ordered By
Name

Pick-up Options
_____ Pick up _____ Send home with _____ Parent Signature

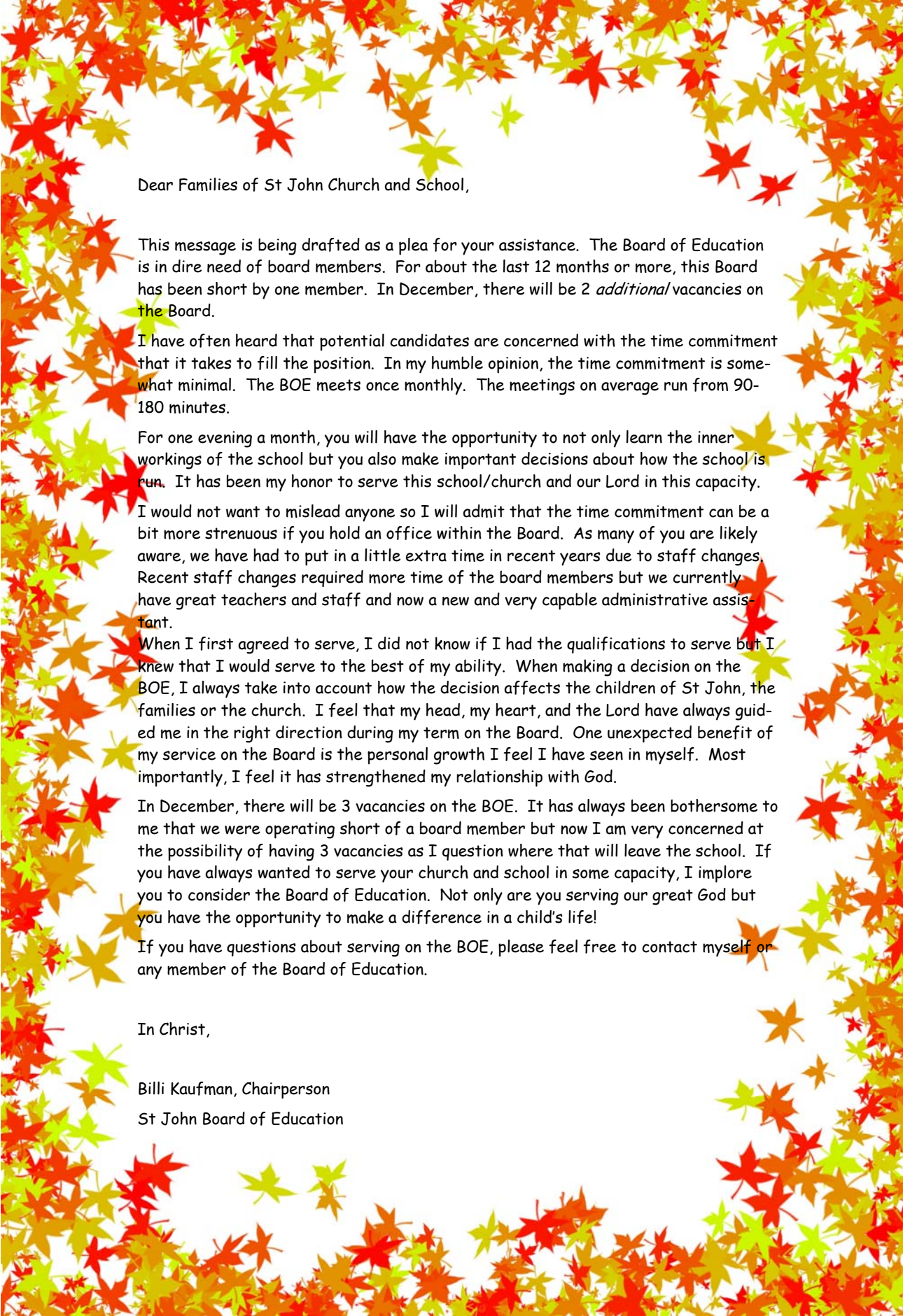
On-Hand Inventory				
Retailer	%	Value	Qty	Total
Amazon	2.5%	\$25		
Applebee's	8%	\$25		
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$25		
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10		
BP	1.5%	\$50		
Buffalo Wild Wings	8%	\$25		
Burger King	4%	\$10		
Chili's	11%	\$25		
Christiano's	15%	\$20		
Crossroads	2%	\$25		
Culver's	8%	\$10		
Domino's Pizza	8%	\$10		
Fazoli's	7%	\$25		
Festival Foods	3%	\$25		
Festival Foods	3%	\$50		
Fleet Farm	5%	\$25		
Fleet Farm	5%	\$50		
Gap/Old Navy/Banana Republic	14%	\$25		
iTunes	5%	\$15		
Jeff's	20%	\$25		
Kohl's	4%	\$25		
Kohl's	4%	\$100		
Kwik Trip	5%	\$25		
Kwik Trip	5%	\$50		
Kwik Trip	5%	\$100		
Office Use Only				
Received By:	Date Received:			
Check #:	Amount:			

On-Hand Inventory				
Retailer	%	Value	Qty	Total
Marcus Theatres	9%	\$25		
Menards	3%	\$25		
Menards	3%	\$100		
Noodles & Company	8%	\$10		
Panera Bread	8%	\$25		
Piggly Wiggly	3%	\$25		
Piggly Wiggly	3%	\$50		
Qdoba	7%	\$25		
Red Lobster / Olive Garden	8%	\$25		
Red Robin	8%	\$25		
Shell	2%	\$25		
Shell	2%	\$50		
Shell	2%	\$100		
Shepards	5%	\$10		
Shopko	3%	\$25		
Starbucks	7%	\$10		
Subway	6%	\$10		
Taco Bell	5%	\$10		
Target	2%	\$25		
Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25		
Walmart	2.5%	\$25		
Walmart	2.5%	\$50		
Walmart	3%	\$100		
Websters	3%	\$50		

QTY	
Totals	\$

Please make checks payable to: "St. John SCRIP Account"
11/14/2017

Note: Special rules, conditions and restrictions established by participating retailers are subject to change without notice. All certificates are subject to availability. St. John Lutheran School is not responsible for lost or stolen SCRIP certificates.



Dear Families of St John Church and School,

This message is being drafted as a plea for your assistance. The Board of Education is in dire need of board members. For about the last 12 months or more, this Board has been short by one member. In December, there will be 2 *additional* vacancies on the Board.

I have often heard that potential candidates are concerned with the time commitment that it takes to fill the position. In my humble opinion, the time commitment is somewhat minimal. The BOE meets once monthly. The meetings on average run from 90-180 minutes.

For one evening a month, you will have the opportunity to not only learn the inner workings of the school but you also make important decisions about how the school is run. It has been my honor to serve this school/church and our Lord in this capacity.

I would not want to mislead anyone so I will admit that the time commitment can be a bit more strenuous if you hold an office within the Board. As many of you are likely aware, we have had to put in a little extra time in recent years due to staff changes. Recent staff changes required more time of the board members but we currently have great teachers and staff and now a new and very capable administrative assistant.

When I first agreed to serve, I did not know if I had the qualifications to serve but I knew that I would serve to the best of my ability. When making a decision on the BOE, I always take into account how the decision affects the children of St John, the families or the church. I feel that my head, my heart, and the Lord have always guided me in the right direction during my term on the Board. One unexpected benefit of my service on the Board is the personal growth I feel I have seen in myself. Most importantly, I feel it has strengthened my relationship with God.

In December, there will be 3 vacancies on the BOE. It has always been bothersome to me that we were operating short of a board member but now I am very concerned at the possibility of having 3 vacancies as I question where that will leave the school. If you have always wanted to serve your church and school in some capacity, I implore you to consider the Board of Education. Not only are you serving our great God but you have the opportunity to make a difference in a child's life!

If you have questions about serving on the BOE, please feel free to contact myself or any member of the Board of Education.

In Christ,

Billi Kaufman, Chairperson
St John Board of Education

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