

**St. John School**

# **BADGER BYTES**

December 15, 2017

Weekly Edition

## **Upcoming Events**

**December 19—**  
Fruit Pick Up  
3:00 p.m.- 5:30  
p.m. / B-Ball @  
Home ACS 4:30  
p.m.

**December 21—**  
B-Ball @ Menawa  
4:45 p.m.

**December 22—**  
Christmas  
Program

**December 24—**  
Sunday School  
Christmas Eve  
Program 4 p.m./  
Candle Light  
Christmas Eve  
Service 7 p.m./  
Regular Sunday  
Worship 9 a.m.

**January 2—**  
B-Ball @ ASCS  
4:30/5:30

## **Principal's Corner - Mr. Snow**

Fruit Sale pick up is December 19th from 3:00 p.m.—  
5:30 p.m. Please don't let your fruit freeze.

The last Advent services will be on December 20th at  
7:00 p.m.

All the classes will be having their Christmas parties  
on December 22nd. The staff would like to wish everyone a  
very Merry Christmas.

Practice is going well for the Christmas program.  
Please encourage your children to practice their parts. The  
program is being held on December 22nd at the Berlin High  
School Auditorium at 6:30. Students should arrive at 6:00  
p.m. wearing blue jeans, a black t-shirt and black socks.

The Sunday School Christmas Eve Program is at 4:00  
p.m. on December 24th. The Candlelight Christmas Eve  
Service is at 7:00 p.m. Regular Sunday Worship is at 9:00  
a.m. The Christmas Day service is on the 25th at 9:00 a.m.

New year's eve service is at 7:00 p.m. and and regular  
Sunday worship is at 9:00 a.m.

Have a great weekend!

Chapel Offering: \$ 18.52 Total Offerings: \$42.27

**4K**  
**Mrs. Snow**

We read a variety of stories about the Gingerbread Man, Girl, and Pirates last week and a few more this week. On Monday we decorated our own gingerbread people. Ask your child what happened when we went to take them out of the oven. We also used gingerbread men to measure how tall we are and created a class book that we have been circulating.

Our story this week was about the shepherds being visited by the angels while watching their sheep. Initially they were afraid, but once they heard the news of their Savior being born they couldn't contain themselves. They had to run to find the Child and worship Him.

**PS/K**  
**Miss Linse**

In 3K, we have continued to talk about the real meaning of Christmas. Some of us even got to help in Chapel this week when the Pastor was talking about the first Christmas. We are excited about our class Christmas party and cannot wait for our parents to open the presents we have been working on for them. We are also, continuing to work hard on our letters, shapes, and numbers. In Kindergarten, we also liked getting to help the Pastor in Chapel on Thursday. We are finished with our ninth Superkid friend and are taking the next progress test next week. We are looking forward to our Christmas party and our Christmas program. Art has been fun this week as we make Christmas presents for our parents.

**1st/2nd**  
**Mrs. Fritsch**

We are very excited this week with the Christmas program practices and the snow outside! We heard how Daniel was thrown into the lion's den because he prayed to God. King Darius also worshipped the true God, putting his advisors into the lion's den instead. Second grade began number lines, and adding more than two numbers, finding sums of ten first. First grade began time to o'clock, and even and odd numbers this week. First grade also began Unit 5 in Superkids. Second grade reviewed nouns and verbs and began adverbs. Second grade is reviewing ouch, own, out, and ound words. There are spelling words for next week. Words ten times and practice test on Monday. Final spelling test will be on Tuesday. We also created our pictures for The True Meaning of Christmas poster contest.

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

The class has been busy learning songs and movements for the program on Friday, December 22, at 6:30 p.m. The production will be at the high school this year. We will be finishing our science book this week. After Christmas vacation we start our history and health books. Classroom Christmas party is Friday, December 22, around 1:30. All are welcome to attend. Families in charge of party are Johannes, Haywood, and Trochinski. Thank you parents for organizing this party for our classroom. A special thank you to Karen Krause for coming in and teaching us how to do the alcohol ink technique for the background on cards. We made cards for our congregation's shut-ins.

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

We have been very busy with practice for our Christmas presentation next Friday. In math class we took test #9 and did investigation #5 and completed lessons 51 and 52. We are getting close to the end of our book, the Voyage of the Dawn Treader, in reading class. We have found the last three of the lost Narnian lords. Now we have to learn how they can be awoken from an enchanted sleep. We should be done with that book by Christmas break. I would like to thank those families who donated to our Angel Tree collection. I was able to go shopping last weekend and assemble gift boxes for the two children who were selected for us. It is good to share the love of Jesus with children who are less fortunate.

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

Thank you to all that contributed money towards the angel tree gifts. They have been delivered earlier this week. We are starting a new chapter in science dealing with weathering and erosion. In history we have started a chapter on the American Revolution. For language students have been working on a research report for quite some time. The report is due on Tuesday. We also have finished reading A Christmas Carol and will be doing some final work with that this next week.

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

### **Scrip**

Purchases can be used to offset tuition or 8<sup>th</sup> 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 December 17th in the church. Please get your children to this practices.

### **Sports**

The boys lost a close game on Tuesday against FVCA 25 to 26. Thursday, both teams played hard but lost to Trinity, Oshkosh. Next week, they play All Saints at home on Tuesday and they travel to St Paul, Manawa on Thursday. We'd love to have you come watch a game and cheer on our Badgers to victory.

# Hot Lunch Next Week

## Monday December 18

Hamburger on WG Bun

## Tuesday December 19

Chicken Fajitas

## Wednesday December 20

Hot Dogs

## Thursday December 21

Chicken Patty on WG Bun

## Friday December 22

Cheese Omelets

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

## Milk Tickets


No. of Milk		@ \$7 per 20 =	\$
<b>TOTAL:</b>			

3 wk Lunch Menu for December 18 - January 5

Monday 12-18 Hamburgers or w/bun Cheese slices Baked Beans Tater Tots Carrots-vegetables Apple Sauce milk	Tuesday 12-19 Chicken Fajitas cheese-lettuce-salsa Carrots-vegetables Chilled Peas strawberry shortcake milk	Wednesday 12-20 Hot Dogs mini corn dogs meatballs & cheese Carrots-vegetables Chilled Peas milk	Thursday 12-21 Chicken Pottery on w/bun cheese slices Sweet potato fries Carrots-vegetables Pineapple Tidbits milk	Friday 12-22 Cheese Omelets Ham/Sausage Links French-Toast/Strips/Panakes Assorted Breads Mixed Fruit Orange Juice 6:30 school program
 Merry Christmas! Happy New Year! 				
Monday 1-1 New Year's Day	Tuesday 1-2 Tacos cheese-lettuce-salsa Carrots-vegetables Apple Sauce Jello milk	Wednesday 1-3 Hot Ham & Cheese on w/bun French fries Carrots-vegetables Pineapple Tidbits milk	Thursday 1-4 Hamburger or w/bun Sweet potato fries Baked Beans Carrots-vegetables Chilled Peas milk	Friday 1-5 Chicken Nuggets Tater Tots w/bread Carrots-vegetables Mixed Fruit milk

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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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