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Badger Bytes

April 17, 2026

St. John Mission Statement:

St. John Lutheran School exists to provide a Christ-centered education focusing on spiritual, emotional, academic, social and physical growth. We assist parents in preparing students for an active Christian life and eternal salvation. Above all, we proclaim "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

From Principal Linse:

THIS Sunday, April 19th we will have a reception for Mrs. Fritsch after the worship service. She is retiring at the end of the current school year and we want to show her our appreciation for all she has done for our school.



Student Council would like to invite students and staff to wear Milwaukee Brewer apparel on Friday, May 8th.

Thank you to everyone who came to support our students during the Spring Music Showcase on Tuesday. We had an awesome turnout and the kids did a fantastic job. Praying everyone got home safely during the storm.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Chop Suey supper this week, we had a great turnout.

I will be out of the building next week on Monday and Tuesday, for an accreditation visit. Mrs. Wenzel will be the acting principal.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 19 -**
Seraphim Choir sings and Handbells play
Reception for Mrs. Fritsch
- April 30 -**
Progress Reports go home
Pizza orders arrive
- May 1-**
NO school
- May 3-9am**
Cherub Choir sings at church
- May 7 -**
Hanging basket orders arrive
- May 8 -**
Wear Milwaukee Brewer apparel'
- May 12-6pm**
Board of Education meeting
- May 13 -**
Timber Rattler Field Trip (gr. 3-8)
6:30pm Confirmation questioning
- May 15 -**
West Bloomfield Track & Field Day



A Family-Friendly Concert

RANDY PETERSON

Tuesday, May 5th at 6pm
At St. John Lutheran Church
168 Mound Street, Berlin

A concert for kids that the whole family will enjoy



The St. John Lutheran Church Evangelism Team is hosting Randy Peterson as part of St. John Lutheran School's participation in National Screen-Free Week. This evening concert gives students and families an engaging alternative to screen time and encourages meaningful time together through music.

I'm going screen-free!



Learn more at www.screenfree.org

School News

CHAPEL

This quarter's Chapel offering is going to Lutheran Church Charities Comfort Dogs Ministry. This week \$25.25 was received in our collection which brings our total to \$64.26 for the quarter.

SCRIP NEWS

We are looking for someone to take over the Scrip program. Please contact Julie Snow at 920-745-0977 or Rich Wallner 920-252-0049 if you have any questions or are interested.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY CONCERT

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HANDBELLS & SERAPHIIM CHOIR

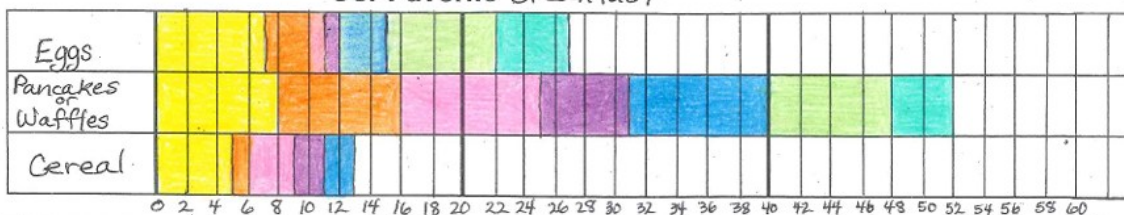
Thank you to all parents, grandparents, and friends for attending our Spring Music Showcase Tuesday night. If you missed it, the Seraphim Choir and Handbells will play and sing two of the selections they played Tuesday night, this Sunday, at 9am. Handbells must be to church by 7:55am. Boys need belts. Choir will warm up in the lower level at 8:50am.

SURVEYS, SURVEYS, SURVEYS GALORE

A survey link was emailed out to all our SCHOOL families on Monday. We would appreciate if you could take a few minutes and fill out the survey about the school by April 30th. There was more information in the email, please reach out with any questions.

The CHURCH is also doing a separate survey and they would like you to participate, here is information about that survey: In an attempt to understand where we're at and realize God's mission for us, our church is asking those affiliated with it to take a survey. Even if you're not a member, your perspective will be very helpful. When you get a chance, please take a few minutes to fill out the survey at this link: <http://lcms.cadds.alchemer.com/s3/&cong=C76148> (if prompted, enter the code: C76148). Responses are required by May 3. Your responses will be anonymous. You can skip questions you don't have an answer for. We could really use your help! Thank you in advance.

Our Favorite Breakfast



Write three facts about the graph.

1. Pancakes or Waffles are the favorite breakfast food.
2. 14 more people chose eggs than cereal.
3. 92 people voted this week.

Key: PK (Yellow) 4 (Blue)
K (Orange) 5+6 (Green)
1+2 (Pink) 7+8 (Teal)
3 (Purple)

**1st and
2nd
Grade
Survey**

From the Teachers

3K/4K

Miss Linse

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Kindergarten

Mrs. Webb

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1st/2nd Grade

Mrs. Fritsch

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We loved getting to have Shepard's food for lunch on Wednesday this week. Time is sure flying by, how do we only have 6 weeks of school left?

In math, we spent time this week learning about different ways to add numbers and how we can show that. We continue to practice counting forwards and backwards.

In language, we are working on hearing 2 words that rhyme and coming up with additional words that rhyme with them (if I say hat, cat; then the students would come up with words like rat and mat). Another concept that we continue to work on is to identify words that begin like the word I say, like "fish", and the students say things like "farm" and "fly". During Jesus' time, we read about when Jesus' rose from the dead. Jesus claimed victory over sin and death in His resurrection on Easter morning. We also read the story about Jesus appearing to 2 men who were walking on the road to Emmaus after leaving Jerusalem. Jesus gives us eyes of faith through His Word and shows us that He is our Savior. He promises to be with us always.

During Jesus time, we learned about the Good Samaritan. We talked about how Jesus teaches us to be kind, help others, and show love to everyone. Ask your child how they can be a "Good Samaritan" at home! In Superkids, we finished with unit 18 and the letter 'P'. Oswald was our Super-noodle and he took us on a picnic. They packed plums, carrots, lemon pop, melon, and buns. We began working on unit 19 with the letter V. Golly is our new superkid friend, and we get to go with him to the vet to help him feel better.

We have completed 118 lessons in math so far, and we continue to practice our counting during calendar time.

In social studies we talked about London, England and about some of the beautiful landmarks that they have there.

In science we started to talk about lifecycles and what the lifecycle of a butterfly would be. We were able to make our own lifecycle of a butterfly!

In art we made tissue paper tulips and dyed the paper with the tissue paper to make a beautiful effect.

Important date to remember: Kindergarten graduation is fast approaching; Wednesday, May 27th at 5:30pm.

We reviewed Peter's denial and Jesus' Crucifixion. Our sin put Jesus on the cross and we learned this week to ask for forgiveness and to ask for Jesus to help us to change.

In math, our survey was "Our Favorite Breakfast". Look for it in this newsletter. We also learned new words: slide, rotate, and flip! It was a lot of fun with Fat Cat and Cookie Man. Lesson 125 was an assessment. Next week we will begin our Multiplication/ Addition Race.

The Second Grade Superkids are playing soccer with the new kid Alec. He is from Russia and speaks broken English. They help him learn his English by being his friend. First Grade read *It's So Hot!* Oswald get's his wish to sail a boat after falling asleep on a floaty in the middle of the lake. A girl in a sailboat rescued him and he helped sail the boat to land.

Second grade learned about synonyms, antonyms, and completing sentences. First Grade is working with long and short vowels, and the ending "all".

In Science we planted sunflower seeds and are keeping a journal of our seed pods. We are also waiting for our Caterpillars to arrive.

We did some interesting artwork using tissue paper as paint, and watercolor.

From the Teachers

3rd Grade

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4th Grade

Mrs. Berry

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5th/6th Grade

Mrs. Pick

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7th/8th Grade

Mr. Pett

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Alleluia! We continue to say and sing this throughout the weeks of Easter. This week we learned how Jesus fulfilled the promises and prophecies of Scripture by rising from the dead. Next week we will focus on Jesus appearing to His disciples. Jesus comes to us, assuring us of His forgiving love and guiding us to live as His disciples.

This week the whole 3rd grade class somehow got “flat” We have been reading the story “Flat Stanley.” The 3rd graders are writing their own stories of how they became flat which have been fun to read (they are working on their rough drafts). A few examples of how they got “flat”: a tree fell on a student; being run over by a bus; TV fell on a student; and a shelf of stuffed animals fell on a student. Next week we will be mailing our “Flat students” to friends and family. We are asking them to write down and/or take pictures of our Flat student while with the friends and family. Stay tuned for the adventures of our Flat 3rd Graders.

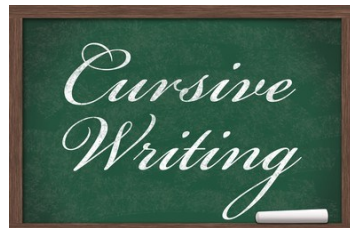
Thank God for the rain that helps all the plants of His creation grow. A double thank-you for the safety during the heaviest storms!

We have been working hard on writing the lower-case letters in cursive! We're able to make the letters connect to form words. We'll start capital letters soon.

2-step Word Problems have been introduced in Math. This is hard! Encourage your child to write down all the information from the sentences before asking for help!

The Musical Showcase was great! Thank-you Mrs. Fritch!

Have a great weekend!



Next week will be another full week. We will be writing the final copies of our informational writing and sharing them. In math, we will be having a math test next Thursday.

We will begin chapter six in health about our body's communication system. In science, we are continuing to learn about forms of healing in living things and how cells help the healing process.

In social studies, we will continue to learn about the Revolutionary War and how America became a country.

In art we painted butterflies this week to go along with the season of Easter that we are in, and we will be hanging them up next week.

All the students sounded great at the Spring Showcase this week. Thank you so much to Mrs. Fritch for all her hard work with the music program for our school!

In Math, this week, we reviewed polynomials and binomials, as well as the powers of ten and the Pythagorean Theorem.

In Religion, the students are continuing to study the New Testament with Pastor Schrader.

In Science, we had a lab using rubber bands and their relation to soundwaves. We will continue the study of soundwaves by discussing how cell-phones use this technology.

Language has the eighth grade discussing nominative case pronouns and objective case pronouns. The seventh grade will be reviewing material learned throughout the year.

We are nearing the end of *My Side of the Mountain*. When we finish reading our final project will be creating a game based on the novel.

Next week in math we will be covering square roots of monomials, surface areas, transforming formulas, line plots, the metric system, and the effects of scaling on volume.

Next Friday is our EAA field trip and we need one more driver/chaperone. Please contact Mr. Pett if you can help.

Have a great week.

Serving in His Kingdom,

Mr. Pett

Lunch Menu and Fun

Monday, Apr 20

Popcorn chicken, potato smiles, wgr bread, carrots-vegs, pineapple tidbits, milk

Wednesday, Apr 22

Breaded chicken patty on wgr bun, cheese slices, tator tots, carrots-vegs, chilled peaches, milk

Friday, Apr 24

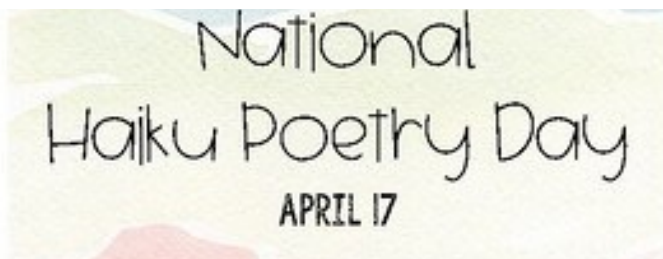
Pizza, rice pilaf, carrots-vegs, mixed fruit, milk

Tuesday, Apr 21

Hamburger on wgr bun, cheese slices, mac & cheese, baked beans, carrots-vegs, applesauce, milk

Thursday, Apr 23

Hot dog on wgr bun, mini corn dogs, French fries, carrots-vegs, chilled pears, milk



What is a Haiku?



HAIKUS are traditional Japanese poems that do not have to rhyme.

A **HAIKU** is made up of only three lines.

Line 1: 5 syllables

Line 2: 7 syllables

Line 3: 5 syllables

9			2		7	8	4	3
		2	9	4			6	7
4	6		1	3				
6	9	3					7	1
5			7	1	9	3		
	2			5				
2				9	1	6	3	
3			8	2			1	
1				7		2		9

Can you write a Haiku?
