



**Middle School Newsletter**  
**Sept. 3, 2018 - Sept. 7, 2018**

**Upcoming Events**

August 31	<b>Minimum Day - Dismissal at Noon</b> <i>Please remember if you will be going to Extended Care to have your child bring a lunch and snack</i> <b>Student Council Election Results</b>
September 3	<b>NO SCHOOL - Labor Day</b>
September 12	<b>School Pictures (Lifetouch) - Chapel Clothes</b>
September 18	<b>Spirit Night Dine and Donate @ Chick-fil-A <i>see flier attached</i></b>
September 30	<b>VVFD hosting BBQ FUNDRAISER for Bethany Preschool @ Ulatis Campus <i>see flier attached</i></b>

*Mrs. Bakken's Bits and Bytes* [kari.bakken@gobethany.com](mailto:kari.bakken@gobethany.com)

**7th/8th Homeroom:**

Just a reminder that each family is asked to donate Consumable Supplies like paper towels, tissue, 3 ounce cups, disinfecting wipes once during the year. We are at the beginning of first quarter so if your last name begins with A-L it is now your turn to bring in your consumables. There is a detailed list of Consumable Supplies outside the office door. Thank you in advance for your help!

We are collecting Box Tops for Education all year so ask your friends and extended family to help collecting labels. There is a container in my classroom for the students to deposit their labels.

**5th-8th Grade Math:**

I will be offering **Aftermath** again this year. It will be on **Thursdays from 2:45-4:00**. No need to sign up in advance and there is no additional fee. It is on an as need basis. "Aftermath" is a good place for students to get extra help on their homework, study for tests, and do corrections.

We have covered our books and set up three sections in our binders for: Notes, Homework and Tests. Students are allowed to do corrections for half credit. They must show their work in order to get credit for their corrections.

If you would like to discuss your student's progress we can set up a time to meet. Please feel free to leave a message for me at school (707) 451-6683 Ext.18 or send me an email and I will get back to you as soon I can. Here is what we have been up to and what's in store:

**7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible:** We have completed Lessons 1-5 in our “One in Christ” workbook. Next week we will do Lessons 6 & 7. The memory verse due on **Friday, 9/7** is John 1:17: “For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.”

**5th Grade Math (Period 3):** This week we did Lessons 5-8. Next week we will do Lessons 9-10 and Investigation 1. On Friday, 9/7 we will take our first test covering Lessons 1-5. In order to get credit for corrections students must show work so that I know that they understand the material.

**Middle School Math (6th Period 4):** This week we did Lessons 5-8. Next week we will do Lessons 9-10 and practice for our first test. On Friday, 9/7 we will take our first test covering Lessons 1-5. In order to get credit for corrections students must show work so that I know that they understand the material.

**Pre-Algebra (Period 4):** This week we did Lessons 1.1-1.4. Next week we will do the Mid-Chapter review and Chapter 1.5-1.6. There will be a Quiz covering 1.1-1.4 on Friday, 9/7.

**Algebra 1P (Period 2) :** This week we did Chapter 1.1-1.3 and had a quiz. Next week we do Chapter 1.4-1.6. There will be a quiz covering 1.4-1.5 on Friday, 9/7. Quiz 1.1-1.3 corrections are due by the end of Aftermath on Thursday, 9/6.

**Geometry (Integrated Math 2):** This week we did the IM2 lessons 1.1-1.3. Next week we will do Lessons 1.4-2.3 and continue Khan Academy for Math II.

**Science:** This week we finished Chapter 1.1, answering questions 1-4 on page 23 in our Science Folder which should be kept in my classroom in the blue crate. Sixth-eighth grade also read an article in our Scholastic Science Magazine and were asked to answer questions on a worksheet and write a short essay on their opinion for or against cloning pets. This essay can be finished on Tuesday on the computers in class. Next week we will do Chapter 1.2 on pages 25-27 and an experiment called “Please Pass the Bread.” There will only be homework if your student does not use their time wisely or misses class.

**Student Council:** Job well done to all candidates who ran for student council! Congratulations to our newly elected council: President - Kendal Silva; Vice-President - Annanya Thakur; Treasurer - Piper Olson; Secretary - Alessandra Aguirre; Student Life Chairperson - Gavin Rodriguez-Dicker and Environmental Chairperson - Kolton Williams. We will need to elect two representatives from each 4th-8th grade class. Our first meeting will be on Friday, 9/7 at 12:20 in room B-11. To start the school year our chapel offerings will be collected to help our missionary in Uganda, Rachel Meyer, raise money for school supplies.

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**History:** We will be going over chapter 3 “Mesopotamia and the Fertile Crescent” Students will receive a vocab list of words Monday. There will be a vocab quiz on Wednesday, September 4, 2018. There will also be a reading quiz on Friday, September 6, 2018.

Also, we began creating paper mache landforms. We will work on these every Friday for a couple of weeks.

Reminder that students will only receive weekend homework if they:

1. Do not behave appropriately during class
2. Miss more than 3 on vocab quizzes
3. Miss more than 2 on reading quizzes

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**5th/6th Homeroom:**

**Bible verse for the week: “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly”. Col.3:16**

There will be a new bible verse given every Monday and the students will have to have the verse memorized by Friday. The unit we are studying is titled "God and His Word".

English A: We are reading the story "A Royal Mystery" in the Journeys textbook. There will be a spelling test and a reading log due every Friday. The students will pick up a new reading log on Friday.

English B: We are to read short stories in the curriculum for 6th grade. There will be a spelling test and a reading log due every Friday.

English C: We are continuing to read short stories in curriculum for 7th and 8th grade. There will be a spelling test and a reading log due every Friday.

**Dr. Nomura's Musical Musings** [megumi.nomura@gobethany.com](mailto:megumi.nomura@gobethany.com)

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### **Beginning and Intermediate/Advanced Bands:**

**Beginning Band:** we've been working on getting to know the terminology most commonly used in music and also a bit of music theory! Please bring in your instruments and red books! Our first practice log will be due Tuesday, 9/11. Remember that practice logs are due every Tuesday thereafter!

**Intermediate Band:** we've been working on small chamber ensembles during class time. It's been a great learning experience for the students (working together as a group/team, learning the music together, and bringing their problem-solving skills) and we will present our work in class next week! Our first practice log will be due Tuesday, 9/11.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

**Dr. Nomura's Spanish** [megumi.nomura@gobethany.com](mailto:megumi.nomura@gobethany.com)

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### **Spanish 1 A/B**

We have a short (front and back) worksheet of crossword and word search puzzles that is due on Tuesday, 9/4. Most of the students have completed it during class on Thursday but please make sure that it is DONE by Tuesday!

### **Spanish 2 MS**

With the Spanish explorer report completed, we will now work on our country projects!! Guidelines will be available on Tuesday in class.

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### **Photography Class**

We are off to a good start in Photography class The students finished their black and white photographs are are getting use to using the photo editing program. We talked this week a bit about the difference between a snapshot and a composed photograph. We are moving onto shadows and abstract as our next two assignments. For homework the kids are asked to take photos of stuff they see. They get to be as creative as they can be.

## **Keyboarding Class**

The students are working hard at keyboarding. I'm keeping track of words per minute, accuracy, and how much time they are typing. During the class the students will develop skills that will benefit them the rest of their life.

**Mr. Allen**

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## **P.E.**

The first week of P.E. has come to an end and it has been great!

As the year goes on the intensity of the workouts will increase with each week. With that being said, I would like to ask that each of your students bring their water bottles to school daily.

Although they only have P.E. twice a week, it is imperative that they stay hydrated throughout the week. Drinking water only on the day of P.E. does not do the body good, hydration needs to happen daily to avoid cramping during physical activity and it is healthy for your bodies as well. Again please reiterate to you students to bring their water bottles DAILY to school.

# Spirit Night

Bethany Lutheran

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Organization

September 18, 2018

5:00pm-8:00pm

Date

Time



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Commons

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[www.Chick-fil-A.com/vacavillecommons](http://www.Chick-fil-A.com/vacavillecommons)





Fundraiser

# BBQ

September 30, 2018

12pm - 4pm

**Bethany Lutheran School**  
1011 Ulatis Drive  
Vacaville, CA 95687



**Hosted by the Vacaville Fire Department!**

In the early morning hours of August 22, 2018, a fire broke out at Bethany Lutheran Preschool on South Orchard Avenue in Vacaville California. The fire damaged an entire wing, the playground and other areas of the school. Students arrived to find their beloved school burned beyond recognition. Having served the community for 43 years, there were tears from parents, neighbors, friends, and first responders alike.

Let's gather as a community to show our support for this beloved school at a fundraiser BBQ. All proceeds will go towards school supplies, books, toys, etc. to replace those lost.

**We appreciate your support!**

You can also contribute to: [www.gofundme.com/bethany-lutheran-preschool-fire-wv](http://www.gofundme.com/bethany-lutheran-preschool-fire-wv)

**Great Food!**

**Exciting Raffle!**

**A Great Time!**