



Middle School Newsletter
September 23 - September 27, 2019

Upcoming Events:

Sept 25-27	Coloma Outdoor Education Trip – 4th & 5th Graders
Sept. 27	Minimum Day—Dismissal at Noon
Oct. 11	End of Quarter 1
Oct. 15 & 16	<i>Life Touch Family Portraits at Church</i>
Oct. 18 & 19	<i>Life Touch Family Portraits at BLS</i>
Oct. 23-25	<i>Parent/Teacher Conferences</i> Minimum Days—Dismissal at Noon, Ext. Care Offered



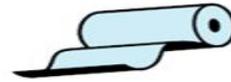
8th Annual Apple Pie Sale

Now thru -October 23rd

Order forms available from any Bethany student or inside the office.

Pick-up your pies on November 13th – at the Ulatis Campus - just in time for the holidays.

2019-2020 CONSUMABLE SUPPLY REQUEST



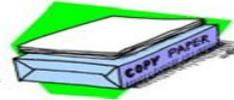
Each year we request that our Bethany families provide various consumable supplies for use in their student's classroom*. We are asking families to provide supplies alphabetically by last name as designated below. Please provide the requested items to each classroom at the **BEGINNING** of the semester. Each teacher will record that they have been received. Following is the alphabetical list by semester:

"A—L" 1st Semester: August 15, 2019 to December 20, 2019

"M—Z" 3rd Semester: January 6, 2020 — June 1, 2020

Each family is asked to provide the following supplies for each child's classroom:

- 2 Rolls of Paper Towels
- 2 Box of Small Drinking Cups (3 oz. size)
- 3 Reams White Copy Paper
- 2 Box of Kleenex-type facial tissues, non-lotioned
- 1 Container Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
- 1 Bottle of Hand Sanitizer



PLEASE NOTE: Items requested above may be changes and/or quantities updated by semester.

We sincerely appreciate each family's assistance!

**Please print family's last name clearly on the bag and
PLEASE GIVE DIRECTLY TO YOUR
STUDENT'S HOMEROOM TEACHER.**

* Items purchased for the classroom are considered a donation, and your receipt can be kept for tax filing purposes.

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

7th/8th Grade Homeroom:

If your student is having a birthday and would like to bring a treat to share just let me know. There are 12 students in our homeroom.

If your last name starts with A-L then it is your turn to bring in the Consumable Supplies on the list that is posted above, in the Eagle newsletter and if you want a paper copy they are available outside the office door. I have an abundance of hand sanitizer so you can cross that off of your list. Thank you in advance for your donations!

5th-8th Grade Math:

We have spent time setting up our binders with three sections for Math (Notes, Homework and Tests) to help with organization. Please help your student by checking it periodically and I will be doing the same. The students will be writing their assignments in their planners and I will initial it each day they are in my class. If they receive any ADOPT letters those will also be in their planners initialed by the teacher.

I will be offering "Aftermath" on Thursdays from 2:45-4:00 for 4th-8th grade students who would like extra help in math. This is an excellent place for students to work on homework, math corrections and prepare for tests. There is no extra charge for this service. Students can stay as long as they need, but they must tell me when their parents are here to pick them up.

CORRECTIONS: Students are allowed to do corrections for half credit. They must show their work in order to get credit for their corrections. Homework can be erased and corrected on the original homework paper. Here are the guidelines for **Test and Quiz Corrections:** **1)** Do **not** erase incorrect answers. **2)** Label the back of the paper or a separate sheet **Corrections.** **3)** Redo the problems missed, showing work or explaining how to do it correctly. **4)** Get a parent signature. **5)** Turn into the basket. **6)** Place returned tests with corrections in the Test section of your binder.

Here is what we have been up to and what's in store:

7th & 8th Grade Bible: Our memory verse due on Friday, 9/27 is 1 John 1:7b-9, "The blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins He is faithful

and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” We will be doing Lessons 10-11 in our “One in Christ” workbooks.

5th Grade Math (11:34-12:24): This week we did Lessons 16-20. Next week we will do Investigation 2. Test 3 will be on Tuesday, 9/24 covering Lessons 1-15. All homework and Tests should be kept in their binder.

Middle School Math (6th grade, Mon., Wed., Thurs.): This week we did Lessons 16-20. Next week we will do Lessons 21-24. Test 3 covering Lessons 1-15 will be on Thursday, 9/26. Test corrections for Test 2, following the guidelines above, are due on Tuesday, 9/24. All homework and tests should be kept in their binder.

Pre-Algebra (Mon., Wed., Thurs.): This week we did Investigation 1 and Lessons 11-13. Next week we do Lessons 14-18 from the Saxon curriculum. Test 1 covering Lessons 1-5 will be on Wednesday, 9/25.

Integrated Math 1 (High School level Math) : This week we worked on our Notebook for Lessons 1.1 & 1.2 and continued on Khan Classroom Algebra Foundations and Solving Equations / Inequalities. The Khan Academy assignments are from High School Math 1 section. Please have students bring headphones to class to be able to hear the videos. Next week we will be working on their Notebook for Chapter 1, doing Lessons 1.3-1.5. There will be a Chapter 1 Test on Thursday 9/26.

Student Council: Our Student Council Officers for the 2019/2020 school year are: **President - Piper Olson; Vice President - Blake Ledford; Treasurer - Alessandra Aguirre; Secretary - Bailey Merritt; Student Life Chairperson - Lexi Meyer; Environmental Chairperson - Jayla Swindle.** Congratulations! Our first meeting has been postponed to Monday, 9/23 at 12:50 in room B-11.

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6th Homeroom:

Welcome and Blessings for a brand new school year! Look forward to seeing parents at the PTO meeting and the Washington D.C. meeting on September 17th at 6:30 p.m. Looks like it will be an exciting trip! Bible: We have finished lessons 1-15 in our “One in Christ” textbook. Lessons for the week will be #16 (The Tent Church), #17 (Korah’s), #18 (Water at Meribath). Bible verse is due on Friday, September 23rd. “Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.” We review what the message was in chapel, and how we can use that message in our own lives on Thursday. On Fridays, the students work in their prayer journals and recite the weekly bible verse.

English A: New spelling words are in TADS. Homework this week will be 20 sentences and a reading log which will be due on Thursday. The words are written in their planners. Students will work on writing a summary on the story we read in class last week. Research will be done on the subject of fears and they will write an informational essay on the topic. Spelling test and grammar test will be on Thursdays due to the block schedule. Please remember to keep on reading and turning in your signed reading logs! The first book report is due October 4th. They may choose a book, but they will have to check to see if the book is appropriate for the assignment.

English B: 7TH: New spelling words are on TADS. Homework will be 20 spelling word sentences and a reading log. The words are written in their planners. The reading log is due on Thursday due to the block schedule. There will be a spelling test and grammar test on Thursday. The students will present their interpretation of the story to the class. They will read “Women in Aviation”, analyze the text and determine the author’s purpose. The first book report is due October 4th. The students may choose their own book, but they will have to check with me to see if the book is appropriate for this assignment.

8th Grade: New spelling words are on TADS. Spelling homework is 20 sentences using their spelling words and is due on Wednesday. The words are written in their planners. The spelling test will be on Thursday due to the

block schedule. We will finish reading the text “The Latehomecomer”-a memoir and do some research on the Laotian Hmongs involvement in the Vietnam War. They will write a short report on their findings and share with the class. The first book report is due on October 4th. The students may choose their own book, but they will have to check to see if the book is appropriate for this assignment. Remember to keep on reading and filling out the reading logs.

5th Grade: On Tuesday, the class will finish up work on the story “Elisa”s Diary”. No spelling homework or test due to the Coloma trip. Have fun! A book report was assigned and the students will write a summary of the book following a rubric. The book report is due October 4th.

Dr. Nomura’s Musical Musings megumi.nomura@gobethany.com

Intermediate Band: Don’t forget, **Practice Log #1 is due on Tuesday, September 24!!** Everyone should have at least 90 minutes of practice noted on their log, along with a parent’s signature. If you don’t have a copy of a practice log, you’ll find them in the “Documents” section under Advanced Band on Educate.

As I’m getting ready to go on my maternity leave (my last day will be September 27!), I’ll be distributing new holiday music on Tuesday and walking the students through the music and what I expect from them while I’m away. This year’s Christmas show will be unique, especially the band portion since the band students will be performing without a conductor (fingers crossed!) and will showcase sections of the band. My hope is that we will see a collaborative group effort and their hard work over the semester shine through their performance!

Dr. Nomura’s Spanish megumi.nomura@gobethany.com

Spanish 1 (6th Grade): Please make sure you review the study guide that was distributed on Tuesday, 9/17! It’ll be SUPER helpful if you do the review section from the textbook (pages 26-27) in preparation for the test. We will do a couple of review exercises and a game before taking our test on Tuesday, September 24! Next week will be my last week before maternity leave (hopefully, baby boy Nomura won’t decide to arrive early!); don’t worry, all of the Spanish students will be in good hands with Mr. Lopez while I’m away! As usual, don’t hesitate to email me if you have any questions!

Homework for Tuesday: study for Leccion Preliminar test on Tuesday! Go through the study guide (fill it out if you haven’t finished in class) and the review section from the textbook (pages 26-27).

Spanish 2 (7th and 8th Grades): Today’s review session and test went so much better-- hopefully, all of the students felt much more confident about the test, too! Next week will be my last week before maternity leave (hopefully, baby boy Nomura won’t decide to arrive early!); don’t worry, all of the Spanish students will be in good hands with Mr. Lopez while I’m away! As usual, don’t hesitate to email me if you have any questions!

Enjoy the weekend :)

Thank God for his grace this past week! Here are some things we did in class:

U.S. History (5th Grade): The students brought in their projects and had a short, show-and-tell presentation on their respective buildings.



U.S. History (6th Grade): We had a bit of a slow down in class on Monday, so we had to take a pause and refocus on why we are studying history. On Wednesday, the students read the same article as the 7th/8th graders about truth and the study of history from a Christian perspective. We resumed with our study on Thursday and concluded with a short game of heads up, seven up.

U.S. History (7th/8th Grade): We discussed a couple of articles this week in class. One article dealt with the importance of studying History, and how the gospel is a lens through which we can seek for truth in history. The other article spoke on the relevance of Cortes' conquest in Mexico during the 16th century.

M.S. P.E.): I had mentioned to the student's that next week we would end our soccer unit. However, we received hooks for our nets and new tires for our goals. Therefore, we will have one more day of soccer on Tuesday, and then begin our next unit: football.

Science (6th Grade): The sixth-graders enjoyed started their weathering labs. One was completed, one will be ongoing for the next two weeks, and one will happen in class next Tuesday. Thank you so much for bringing so many supplies! The lesson review and notebook turn-in will take place next Wednesday. On Friday, they will start their weathering assessment projects.

Science (7th and 8th Grades): Next week, the 7th and 8th-graders will be starting their lesson on the properties of matter. Those who are Mad Libs experts will have an advantage on Wednesday during the Describe It game. The winning table will receive a prize. They'll be ending the week with physical and chemical changes, learning how to safely tell what a substance is, or isn't with water, vinegar, and isopropyl alcohol. Then applying this to forensic science with determining evidence found at crime scenes.

Technology (6th Grade): Next week, Tech. class will practice their English spelling words on Monday through custom lessons on typing.com. They will their game coding quiz for the second game and begin their third coding project on Scratch called Rapid Reaction. They've also requested more time trying out the digital citizen scenarios on digital compass, so I will give them time next week for that as well. The more they can learn about the possible consequences online in a safe environment, the better!

Technology (7th- 8th Grade): Next week, Tech. class will practice their English spelling words on Monday through custom lessons on typing.com. They will finish their Scratch project and quiz, then begin lessons on a website-building project through the third HTML5 assignment. They will be learning how to access the project files, open the various types of files, answer the questions on the PDF and submit their assignments through Google Classroom. Their HTML text editor will be the latest version of Notepad++ v. 7.7.1.