



**Middle School Newsletter
September 30 - October 4, 2019**

**PLEASE SEE THE WEEKLY EAGLE FOR DETAILS INFORMATION ABOUT
WHAT IS HAPPENING AT OUR SCHOOL - THANKYOU**

Upcoming Events:

Sept 25-27	Coloma Outdoor Education Trip — 4th & 5th Graders
Sept. 27	Minimum Day—Dismissal at Noon & Casual Dress <i>Extended Care offered—must have lunch & snack</i>
Oct. 11	End of Quarter 1
Oct. 4	P—I—Z—Z—A Friday
Oct. 15 & 16	<i>Life Touch Family Portraits at Church Life Touch Family Portraits at BLS</i>
Oct. 23-25	<i>Parent/Teacher Conferences Minimum Days—Dismissal at Noon, Ext. Care Offered</i>



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



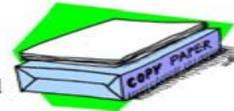
Each year we request that our Bethany families provide various consumable supplies for use in their student's classroom*. We are asking families to provide supplies alphabetically by last name as designated below. Please provide the requested items to each classroom at the **BEGINNING** of the semester. 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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*****WE HAVE ENOUGH HAND SANITIZER - THANK YOU*****

Mrs. Bakken's Bits and Bytes kari.bakken@gobethany.com

Middle School Families:

Several parents have expressed interest in fundraising for fees associated with the Alliance Redwoods field trip in May. Wouldn't it be great to send the middle school kids for FREE? In the upcoming months, Dr. Smith has agreed to allow several opportunities to raise funds. We are planning to serve pizza (or another menu option) for lunch on the following Friday's: 10/4, 10/18, 11/1, and 11/15. All proceeds will go towards Alliance Redwood's fees. We are also in the process of setting up a "Sipping for Students" event at a local winery. A \$25 ticket will provide entry and 5 wine tastings. (The best part is the winery will give us back \$15 per ticket.) More details to follow very soon. Again, all proceeds will go towards Alliance Redwood's fees. WE NEED HELP FROM PARENTS TO FACILITATE THESE ACTIVITIES. If you are available to help, or have ideas to raise funds, please call/text Erika Aguirre at (575) 640-6155 or Shanessy Owens at (302) 531-5796. The more money we raise, the less the parents will be charged to send the kids to Alliance Redwoods in the spring.

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, 10/4 is John 6: 35, Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life, whoever comes to Me shall not hunger and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst." We will be doing Lessons 12-14 in our "One in Christ" workbooks.

5th Grade Math (11:34-12:24): This week we did Investigation 2 and Test 3. Next week we will do Lessons 21-25. Test 3 corrections will be due on Friday, 10/4. All homework and Tests should be kept in their binder.

Middle School Math (6th grade, Mon., Wed., Thurs.): This week we did Lessons 21-24. Next week we will do Lessons 25-28. Test 4 covering Lessons 1-20 will be on Thursday, 10/3. Test corrections for Test 3, following the guidelines above, are due on Thursday, 10/3. All homework and tests should be kept in their binder.

Pre-Algebra (Mon., Wed., Thurs.): This week we did Lessons 14-17. Next week we will do Lessons 18-21 and Investigation 2 from the Saxon curriculum. Test 1 covering Lessons 1-5 will be on Wednesday, 10/2.

Integrated Math 1 (High School level Math) : This week we worked on our Notebook for Lessons 1.3 - 1.5 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 for the videos. Next week we will be working on our Notebook for Chapter 2.1-2.3 and corresponding Khan Lessons. There will be a Chapter 1 Test on Tuesday 10/1.

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 was on Monday, 9/23. The council decided that Chapel offerings for October will go to Make a Wish Foundation. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8 at 12:50 in room B-11.

[Mrs. Johnston deborah.johnston@gobethany.com](mailto:deborah.johnston@gobethany.com)

6th Homeroom:

Bible: We have finished lessons 1-18 in our "One in Christ" textbook. Lessons for the week will be #19 (Balaam), #20 (God's People Build a Monument), and #21 (The Fall of Jericho). Bible verse is due on Friday, October 4th. "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life." Revelation 2:10. 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.

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. They finished reading the story "Women in Aviation", and they will do further research on one of the figures from "Women in Aviation". They will present their research in the form of a report. The first book report is due October 4th. 0

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 involvement in the Vietnam War, and explain the relationship between the United States and the Hmong led families, like the Yangs to immigrate to the United States Book report is due October 4th. Keep on reading and turning in your signed reading logs.

5th Grade: Spelling words this week have the vowel +/r/sounds. They are listed in TADS. Homework is writing 20 sentences using all of the spelling words. Remember to keep on reading and turning in your reading logs on Fridays. The story for this week is "Quest for the Tree Kangaroo" an informational text. Grammar for the week will deal with verbs, and the vocabulary strategy is synonyms and antonyms. Book report is due on October 4th.

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

Intermediate Band: Don't forget, **Practice Log #2 is due on Tuesday, October 1!!** 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. Only 6 students have turned in their practice log this week. This will definitely impact their grade going forward if they miss it every week!

Since I'm officially on maternity leave, please make sure your student is respectful to the substitute (Mrs. McClellan) and taking responsibility and ownership over learning their music for class! I distributed THREE new sheet music that are great candidates for the Christmas Concert! Please make sure they're practicing at home and NOT during class. Class time is used to rehearse as a group, not to learn fingerings and notes that can be learned at home :).

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

Thank you so much for the lovely surprise party on Friday!!! I'm incredibly blessed to be loved and be part of the Bethany family. I'll miss everyone while I'm away but don't worry, I'll be visiting!

Spanish 1 (6th Grade): We successfully finished our opening chapter of Avancemos 1! Mr. Lopez will take over starting Tuesday and will start Unit 1, Lesson 1. Students will have a new packet (workbook pages)

that will be used to supplement classwork (often times the homework will be from this packet). Please do not lose the packet since students will be handing them in for a grade at the end of each Unit.

Spanish 2 (7th and 8th Grades): We've started Unit 1, Lesson 1 this week and learned a new list of vocabulary, phrases using "gusta", subject pronouns and using the conjugated forms of the verb "ser". Mr. Lopez will be taking over for me while I'm on maternity leave but he will be communicating with me while I'm away!

No homework for the weekend but if your student wants to get ahead, they may start working on pages 4, 5, and 6 from the workbook packet.

Mr. Lopez Trejo's Classes cristobal.lopeztrejo@gobethany.com

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.

Mrs. McClellan's Classes tiffany.mcclellan@gobethany.com

Science (6th Grade): The sixth-graders will finish up and present their weathering assessment projects next week. They'll finish their on-going weathering lab next Friday. They'll also be reinforcing the lessons vocabulary terms with description wheels and reviewing the lesson with *Kahoot!*

Science (7th and 8th Grades): Next week, the 7th and 8th-graders will be learning about chemical properties and doing labs to compare, observe, and identify unknown substances. If anyone has both aluminum and iron nails easily accessible, all mixed up is fine, could we please use those for our comparison quick lab on Monday? Thank you! Friday will be the big exploration lab of unknown substances. To make this a success I will be asking the students to volunteer to bring one the following items each by Friday: sugar, salt, fine white sand, baking soda, crushed calcium carbonate chalk (not Crayola), and white vinegar. Notebooks and lesson reviews will be due on Friday.

Technology (6th Grade): Next week, Tech. class will practice their English spelling words on Monday through custom lessons on typing.com. They will begin their third coding project on Scratch called Rapid Reaction. They are also choosing their own tutorials to try in Scratch that suit interests, music, storytelling, etcetera. They are also still committed to completing every possible scenario on the digital compass. They had fun cheering and gasping over the choices made in the compass scenarios by our "honorary 6th-graders" on Thursday.

Technology (7th- 8th Grade): Next week, Tech. class will practice their English spelling words on Monday through custom lessons on typing.com. They will officially begin lessons on a website-building project, HTML5. 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. Trying to find free .pdf editors that are Google Drive and Classroom friendly was a bit of a struggle, but the students pitched in and tested them for me, and we found a solution. If that's something you'd like for your home computers, it's called Kami. You add the extensions and create an account. It's rolled out and they're ready to go now. Amen!