



Middle School Newsletter  
Sept. 21 through Sept. 25, 2020

Upcoming Events:

ongoing	Annual Apple Hill Pie Sales Begins!
Sept. 18	FREE Outdoor Movie Night 6:30–9:15pm See flyer for details
Sept. 25	<b>MINIMUM Day</b> —School Dismissal at Noon <b>Extended Care offered—bring lunch and afternoon snack.</b>



Outdoor Movie Night at BLS—Friday!



End of Summer  
Outdoor Family Movie Night  
Featuring  
Prince of Egypt Rated PG



Bring a friend

Join us for a movie under the stars as we say good-bye to summer

Friday, September 18  
6:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.  
1011 Ulatis Drive

Free admittance - Bring your chair or blanket

Please be prepared to follow all COVID 19 guidelines

Bethany Lutheran Women's Missionary League will be selling popcorn, drinks, hotdogs, nachos, snow cones, candy...

Proceeds go to Bethany LWML mission projects. We will have a display of LWML information and projects during night of the movie if you would like more information.



# Bethany Lutheran School (K-8 & TK Prg.)

## 2020-2021 Student Calendar

Aug-20							Sep-20							Oct-20						
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May-21							Jun-21						
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Quarter 1	August 13 - October 9
Quarter 2	October 12 - December 18
Quarter 3	January 4 - March 12
Quarter 4	March 15 - June 3

  

August	School Starts Thursday, August 13 - Chapel Wear	Collaborative Day (Aug 28) - Dismissal at Noon
September	Labor Day September 7	Collaborative Day (Sept. 25) - Dismissal at Noon
October	School Holiday October 12	Parent/Teacher Conf (Oct. 28-30) - Dismissal at Noon
November	Veteran's Day November 11	Collaborative Day (Nov. 20) - Dismissal at Noon
December	Thanksgiving Break November 23-27	Collaborative Day (Dec. 18) - Dismissal at Noon
January	Christmas Break December 21 - January 1	Collaborative Day (Jan. 29) - Dismissal at Noon
February	MLK, JR. Birthday January 18	Collaborative Day (Feb. 26) - Dismissal at Noon
March	President's Day/Winter Break February 15 - 19	Collaborative Day (Mar. 26) - Dismissal at Noon
April	Staff in-Service - TBD	Collaborative Day (Apr. 30) - Dismissal at Noon
May	Good Friday Apr 2 / Easter Break Apr 5 - 9	MS Alliance Camp May 5-7 (5/28) - Dismissal at Noon
June	Memorial Day May 31	Minimum Days June 2 and June 3
June	Last Day of School June 3	

Dates are subject to change. Please check our weekly edition of *The Eagle* newsletter for the most up-to-date information.

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### Middle School Families:

#### 7th & 8th grade Homeroom:

We have had another successful week at school! If you have questions or concerns with your student's schedule or work please let me know via email or leave me a message with a good time to call you. My classroom phone number is 707-331-1407. I will not answer during class time.

Our Annual "Apples for the Arts" Pie Sale Fundraiser started last Friday. These are pies from APPLE HILL! We have several large vehicles that drive up to Apple Hill to bring back these special pies just in time for the holidays. Tell your friends and neighbors! Order forms are due October 21. Extra order forms are available in the office.

**Thank you to those who participated in our Cards for a Cause Fundraiser! What a blessing that our goal was reached to purchase our canopies for the rainy season!**

If your last name begins with A - L then this is the semester that we would like to have you donate Consumable Classroom Supplies. Please refer to the Eagle Newsletter posted by the office each Thursday for a complete list of items and quantities needed. Thank you in advance for your donations that will help us all stay safe and healthy.

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

Each week the Math assignments will be posted in TADS/EDUCATE with due dates. For Middle School Math Courses 1, 2 & 3 we are on a block schedule so we have math on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday. On Mondays and Thursdays there might be two lessons assigned but they are not due until the next time we meet. I have already posted grades for the work completed thus far. Please help your students stay current in their assignments by checking their planners daily and at least weekly online at their grades.

I am not able to have one day designated for "Aftermath" at this time due to COVID gathering rules but I am available every day after school until 4 to help a small number of students each day. It will be on a first come, first serve basis. The students will be able to sign up on a list each week. It will be a time for students to work on homework, math corrections and prepare for tests. There is no extra charge for this service.

**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 of paper **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:** We have completed Lessons 1-15 in our "One in Christ" workbooks. Next week we will do Lessons 16-18. Our Bible memory verse due Friday 9/25 is John 14: 26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you." Students may bring in photos and/or drawings to attach to their prayer journals this week. I will have contact paper to cover them with on Friday.

**5th Grade Science:** This week, 9/14-18, we finished our Investigation for Lesson 2 regarding weather predictions. We also did pages 30-38 in our Science Workbooks and took a quiz on Lessons 2 & 3. These books will be kept in my classroom except when students need to prepare for tests and quizzes or have missed class and need to make up missed assignments. Students may do corrections on their quiz as long as they note which page of their book they found the correct answer on. Next week, 9/21-25, we will do Lesson 4 and start Lesson 5.

**5th Grade Math:** This week, 9/14-18, we did Lessons 14-17 and took Test 2. Next week, 9/21-25, we will do Lessons 18-20 and Investigation 2. **Test 3 covering Lessons 1-15 will be on Friday, 9/25.** Test 2 Corrections are due Thursday, 9/24. Please follow the Test Corrections Procedure listed above.

**Middle School Math, Course 1 (6th & 7th grade, Mon., Wed., Thurs.):** This week, 9/14-18, we did Lessons 11-14 and Investigation 1. Next week, 9/21-25, we will do Lessons 15-18 and take Test 2 covering Lessons 1-10 on Thursday, 9/24. Students need to have a ruler in their binder for Wednesday, 9/23.

**Middle School Math Course 2 (6th & 7th grade, Mon., Wed., Thurs.):** This week, 9/14-18, we did Lessons 11-13 and Investigation 1. Next week, 9/21-25, we will do Lessons 14-17. Test 1 Corrections are due Tuesday, 9/22. Test 2 covering Lessons 1-10 will be on Wednesday 9/23.

**Middle School Math Course 3 (7th & 8th grade, Mon., Wed., Thurs.):** This week, 9/14-18, we finished Lesson 10 and did Lessons 11-13 and Investigation 1. Next week, 9/21-25, we will do Lessons 14-17. Test 1 Corrections are due on Tuesday, 9/22. Test 2 covering Lessons 1-10 will be on Wednesday, 9/23.

**Integrated Math 2 (High School level Math) :** This week, 9/8-11, we worked on our Unit on Quadratics: Functions & Equations. Next week, 9/21-25, we will continue this very long unit looking at solving Quadratic Equations by Factoring, the Quadratic Formula and Completing the Square. We will be adding a notebook component.

**Homeroom:** I am looking for a parent who would like to be in charge of Scholastic Book Orders this year. It is a wonderful opportunity for your child to increase their home libraries and to always have new and exciting to read. If your last name starts with M-Z, then it will be your turn to bring in Consumable Supplies. The list is posted outside of the school office. If your last name begins with A-L and you forgot during the first half of the school year, it is not too late to bring yours in. Thank you in advance for your donations.

**Bible:** We have completed lesson 1-17 in our "One in Christ" workbooks. 9/21 Lesson 18 (Water at Meribah), 9/22 Lesson 19 (Balaan), 9/23 Lesson 20 (God's People Build a Monument), and 9/24 Lesson 21 (The Fall of Jericho). On Thursday, we will discuss what was said in Chapel and write in our prayer journals what the chapel lesson said to us. On Fridays, the students will say their bible verse from memory and we will do a project in our prayer journals. New verse: "The Lord is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity." Numbers 14:18

**English A:** Each week the students will get new spelling words and for homework, they will write 20 complete sentences using the spelling words. A reading log is due every Thursday. Please remember to read and to have the reading log signed. This week we will read the story "In the Spotlight" an informational text. As they read the story, they will be writing the new vocabulary words in their notebooks. We will be working on pg. 56- Analyzing the Text, Critical vocabulary and suffixes. A reading log is due every Thursday. Please remember to read and to have the reading log signed. We will work on end punctuation, and what is a summary,

**English C:** Each week the students will get new spelling words for homework, they will write 20 complete sentences using the spelling words. A reading log is due every Thursday. Please remember to read and to have the reading log signed. We will read the story "LateComer"-an informational text. We will discuss the story and answer questions in the textbook. We will also work on critical vocabulary pertaining to the story, Latin prefixes, active and passive voice. There will be a spelling test on Thursday. The students were offered the chance to join a Lutheran School Pen Pal program.

**English B:** Each week the students will get new spelling words for homework, they will write 20 complete sentences using the spelling words. A reading log is due every Thursday. Spelling test on Thursday. Please remember to read and have the reading log signed. This week the students will read poems by Yeats and Shakespeare. We will read "The Song of Wandering Aengus". They will also work on, analyzing the text, determining meaning and we will have a class discussion comparing and contrasting the two poems.. Spelling test on Thursday, September 24th.

**English 5:** Each week the students will get new spelling words and for homework, they will write 20 complete sentences using the spelling words. A reading log is due every Friday. Please remember to read, answer the questions on the log and to have it signed. We will read the story "Quest for the Tree Kangaroo," an informational text. On Friday, we will take a spelling and comprehension test on the story and work on verbs, synonyms and antonyms.

**Beginning Band (5th Grade):**

Greetings! We'll be starting our ukulele unit next week... if you have your own, please make sure you bring it in next week! I would like to tune them ahead of time (before class) so drop them off before class!  
We have been listening objectively to popular music from the past 7 decades, trying to determine what makes a "good" song that will eventually become a classic. What determines a "classic" song? Is it the melody, beat, or the lyrics?

**Intermediate Band (6th Grade):**

Greetings! We'll be starting our ukulele unit next week... if you have your own, please make sure you bring it in next week! I would like to tune them ahead of time (before class) so drop them off before class!  
We started an in-class listening project on Thursday on listening objectively to popular songs. What determines a "classic" song? Is it the melody, beat, or the lyrics?

**Advanced Band (7th and 8th Grades):**

Greetings! We'll be starting our ukulele unit next week... if you have your own, please make sure you bring it in next week! I would like to tune them ahead of time (before class) so drop them off before class!  
We started an in-class listening project on Tuesday about listening objectively to popular songs. What determines a "classic" song? Is it the melody, beat, or the lyrics?

**Spanish 1 (6th Grade):**

Students will be working on exercises from both the textbook and workbook in class so please make sure they bring BOTH to class! This goes without saying but please also have a notebook or a section in a binder for Spanish class. Please be caught up with your classwork and homework!! If you have any missing assignments, finish and show them to me at the next class. I do accept late work/assignments however, you will not receive full credit for any late work.

**Homework:** Workbook packet pages 8 (big #1-2) and 9 (big #1-3)

**Spanish 2 (7th and 8th Grades):**

All students received a workbook packet so students are required to bring both the textbook and the workbook packet to class every week. This goes without saying but please also have a notebook or a section in a binder for Spanish class.

**Homework:** finish classwork! #9 and #11 on page 173 (textbook)

Along with typing.com, students used their GoBethany google account to create a nitrotype.com account to practice their typing! Students this week worked on the introduction lessons from typing.com and they should continuously working through the lessons as homework.

**Homework:** complete the lessons in "Reaching Out" (Beginner section) on typing.com

Continue praying for our students, for myself, and for our circumstances. Albeit the difficulties, we know the LORD is good and faithful and merciful and gracious! I hope we have an opportunity to rest and worship this weekend.

**5th Grade Bible/Homeroom and History:** We started the week by reading through John 9 and singing Amazing Grace. Throughout the week we asked and answered important questions in our lessons, such as: what is the gospel? How do we honor God's name? And how do we keep the Sabbath? **NOTE:** I encourage you to ask your student the first question, "What is the gospel?" and check their understanding and belief in the gospel (Answer: the gospel is about Jesus and his death for our sins, him being buried, and him being raised to life, all according to the Scriptures).

In history, we talked about the rise of colonies in America and we looked at the popular division of the colonies: between Southern, Middle, and New England Colonies.

**Ancient Civilizations (6th Grade):** We discussed the rise of the Sumerian Empire and talked about the significance of the first civilizations, including Egypt, being raised alongside great rivers.

**U.S. History (7th/8th Grade):** We finished watching Glory and had a discussion on Wednesday about the themes and importance of the film, as well as what the film taught us about the Civil War. Lastly, we talked about political issues that happened in the summer of 1863, namely, debates concerning the Commutation fee (a fee people would pay to get out of serving in the draft).

**4th - 8th P.E:** We remained indoors again on Tuesday and played some number games, but praise God today we were able to enjoy the outdoors again!

**Technology (6th-8th Grade):** It's more of the same in technology this week. The kids are still working on getting their beginner lesson done on typing.com, and when they're done with that, they've been doing more races on Nitrotype.

**Science (6th grade):** This week we had our first test, so we finished reviewing for that and are going to be going over the test in-class today so the students can work on their corrections.

**Science (7th/8th Grade):** We're still going pretty quickly through the first unit. We spent this week talking about pure substances and mixtures, and we're gonna finish the week off with a small lab that will continue into the beginning of next week.