



Principal's Pad

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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE ~ This is for students in grades K-8. It will be held this **Sunday, December 18th at 4pm.** **The gym doors will be open starting at 3pm. Please have your child report to his or her classroom no later than 3:40.** If your child cannot attend this please inform the teacher. Thank you!

~ STUDENT ATTIRE ~

The theme for our school Christmas service is "Special Delivery." The students are all angels, and the drama includes the various angels going to speak to Mary, Joseph, and the Shepherds. The students wearing white, or a shade close to white, will look like angels in the background of the actors dressed as angels on the stage. This year we will have three stages. The stage "in the clouds" will not have a backdrop, but the students, all dressed in white, will surround the stage. Black pants for the boys will be great. Girls can choose either all white dresses or they can wear black pants or skirts. Students with acting parts and a costume will receive directions at practice regarding clothing they will need to wear under their costumes.

~ DVD SALES ~

Please note that while St. Paul's School has permission to record and sell DVD's of this event, we do not have permission to allow individuals to record it. Taping of this event is done as a service for you and profits the technology department. Your child will receive an order form to purchase a DVD for \$15. Please return this form no later than Monday, December 19 to your homeroom teacher. We should be able to burn copies for you so you can have them over the Christmas holiday to watch and share with your guests.

~ ADVENT BOXES ~

All students received an Advent box to fill and return to school. These can be brought to their classroom before or on the night of the Christmas Program or put in the offering plate at church.

~ SERVICE TO AIR ~

Look for our Children's Christmas Service to air several times over Christmas Break on JA12TV.

CHRISTMAS BREAK ~ We will not have school beginning on Thursday, December 22nd through January 2nd. We will resume classes on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. As a result, the school office will be closed at 3:15pm on Dec. 21st and reopen on Jan. 3rd when classes resume.

ARRIVAL BY 8:00AM AT SCHOOL - In an effort to enable faculty and students to begin the school day promptly all students are to be in their classrooms and ready for instruction at 7:55am. Teachers will close their classroom doors at 8:00am. Any student arriving after 8:00am needs to go to the office for an "Admit to Class" slip to give to the teacher.

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR! -

This is the information regarding closings, delays and early dismissals due to weather. Please check the following stations for up-to-date information: WCLO 1230AM, WSJY 107.3FM, WMTV-15, WKOW-TV27 or WISC-TV3 or the St. Paul's Website. Decisions are usually made by 6:00-6:15am. When it is announced that Janesville schools are having school, calling off school, having a delay, or dismissing early, that does not necessarily mean St. Paul's will be doing the same. Please listen for St. Paul's name to be announced. Parents having a fear that roads are getting bad and want to pick up students prior to an early dismissal are welcome to do so. Students will not be marked absent for an early dismissal in this case. If the decision is to have school, but parents cannot bring children safely, please feel free to stay at home. In the event that you as a parent decided that it is too dangerous to come to school, please notify the office, and the absence will not be counted. On days when the public schools have a delayed start and we start at our normal time, students may wait inside for school to start if they are here early.

ST. PAUL'S ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB -

The next deadline for joining the Athletic Booster Club is today, December 16. If anyone is interested in supporting our athletic program, applications are available outside of Mr. Fenrick's room (#208) or can be found online at the school website.

HOT LUNCH: We will be sending home the January menu next Wednesday with all the students. Included will be their account balance before lunch is served that day. If you have any questions about this please speak with Mrs. Jass.

LOVE & LOGIC – Mrs. Decker will once again lead *Parenting with Love & Logic* beginning on February 28th. There will be 6 sessions. In these sessions you will learn how to handle whining, back talk, and all of the other headaches of raising kids. Please contact Mrs. Decker to be put on the list at: edecker@stpaulsjanesville.com OR call the school and leave a message with Mrs. Bertagnoli.

USED CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ~ Frustrated with those lights that never work. ***Don't throw them away!*** Bring them to Mrs. Gestrich and she can recycle them to earn money for St. Paul's.

CARNATION SALES COMING SOON ~ Carnation sales will take place the week of Jan. 9th - Jan. 12th. Show someone you care! Students can send flowers to other students, teachers, classroom aides, pastors, coaches and parents. Parents may also send them to their children. Watch for more information.

LITTLE LENDING LIBRARY – Kindergarten's mission project is the Little Lending Library which is located near the sidewalk outside church on Ringold St. We are looking for donations of Christian books, both adult and children. If you would like to donate books, either new or slightly used, please see Mrs. Benedict. We would also like to invite all to come and check out our library.

THANK YOU!!!

~Thank you to Sandra Albrecht for the donation to the Wish List for the purchase of a laptop or Chromebook.

~Thank you to an Anonymous donor for the donation to the Wish List for the purchase of a Magnet Base Ten Set and Magnet Hand Pointers for 1st grade.



Dec. 16 – Christmas Hat Day

Dec. 18 – Children's Christmas Service 4pm

Dec. 21 – Classroom Parties 2pm

Dec. 22-Jan. 2 – No School Christmas Break

Jan. 3 – School Resumes

Jan. 9-12 – Carnation/Valentine Flower Sales

Jan. 9-13 – National Geography Competition
5th-8th graders