

Principal's Pad

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GREETINGS ST. PAUL'S! I am honored to be with you this school year to serve the Lord and St. Paul's congregation as your interim school principal. My time with you includes being present three days out of each week in an effort to conduct a successful school year and search for a new, full-time principal. My door is always open for a visit, whether it is about school or any other topic, so stop in at any time. God be with you and your family! - Mr. Koopman

<u>UPCOMING CHAPEL SERVICES</u> – Chapel is held on Wednesday mornings at 8:15 (unless otherwise noted on the school calendar). Parents and guests are always welcome to attend. Mr. John Mueller will lead chapel on Sept. 9th and Mr. Koopman will lead on Sept. 16th, the 3rd and 4th graders singing on the 16th as well.

MORNING DROP-OFFS - In the mornings, and after school, there is a lot of traffic flow. Please do not stop to let your child "hop out" of the car as this slows down the traffic flow. Please find a parking stall and then let your child(ren) out of your vehicle.

Also, please do not allow your children to play in the school parking lot before school begins. We want everyone to be safe.

<u>CROSSING GUARD RULES-</u> For the safety of our children and the flow of traffic, we ask the following:

- 1. When dropping off students in front of school in the morning, please DO NOT do a u-turn in front of the school.
- 2. Please do not cross Ringold or the parking lot when safety patrols have their arms out. They are instructed to wait until there are no cars coming. It may take a while, so please be patient.
- 3. If you are parked in front of the school or church, please walk students through the school and exit front doors. **DO NOT walk up or down the parking lot hill.**
- 4. After school, you MUST TURN RIGHT OUT OF THE PARKING LOT.
- 5. Please <u>SLOW DOWN</u> when entering and leaving the parking lot. We have over 240 students attending school so there is a lot of traffic and students. Let's keep it a safe_place. If need be, please add a few more minutes into your schedule.
- **6**. Be aware there will be a stop sign on Ringold.
- **7. NO CELL PHONES** when entering and leaving the parking lot.

AFTER SCHOOL NOTES - Please be sure to have your children picked up when school is out at 3:00. Unless you have arrangements with our daycare for after school care, your children should be in your supervision at this time. THIS IS A SAFETY ISSUE **AS WELL!** All students are to leave the school grounds after dismissal unless they are under the supervision of a teacher or parent. Parents who permit their children to play on our playground after school are responsible for watching them at all times. On a separate note regarding the end of the school day, please make sure you as parents are waiting until 2:55 to enter the building at the end of the school day unless you have a special need to be in the building. Please also make a note to yourselves to allow room for the students get into their lockers when the bell rings.

ATTENDANCE POLICY- Parents must call school to report a student's absence for the day. Even though contact by phone must be made on the day of absence, all absences must also be excused in writing by parents, or physicians, the day the child returns to school. When leaving for an appointment, or coming back from an appointment, please remember that the PARENT must sign the student in or out. Thank you!

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCES ACCREDITATION – A

letter of congratulations announcing the accreditation of St. Paul's Lutheran School has been received from Terry Schmidt, the director of National Lutheran School Accreditation (NLSA). The term of the accreditation is for five years through August, 2020.

A formal presentation of the certificate is being arranged with the South Wisconsin District Office. This achievement is a credit to those who spent many hours completing reports and documents validating the success of the school as a ministry to the members and families of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School.

To God be the Glory!

David Koopman, Interim Principal

<u>WASHINGTON DC MEETING</u> - The organizational meeting for the 7th grade Washington DC Trip will be MONDAY, September 21st at 6:30 PM. We will meet in Fellowship Hall. Please see Mr. Kroll if you have any questions regarding the DC trip.

James Kroll

voice: 608-754-4471, ext 227

LOVE & LOGIC© SESSIONS BEGINNING SOON!

- Do you need some help as you parent your child? Do you find that some days you just want to scream! Are the stresses and strains in your daily lives causing your time with your children to be unenjoyable? Let's face it: parenting today is NOT easy!!!

Love & Logic is a parenting program that gives parents tools needed in today's world to build strong relationships with their children as you teach them through your love and using logical consequences.

The next Love & Logic© sessions will begin on Sunday, September 13th at 9:15am and continue throughout the following 7 weeks. This is a FREE program offered here at St. Paul's through our PTL of our school. Sessions will be led by Elizabeth Decker in room 205. Childcare will be available. Please indicate your need for childcare when registering.

You may register by calling the school office or contacting Elizabeth Decker at either edecker@stpaulsjanesville.com or 618/973-5691.



"seek first his kingdom and his righteousness..."

Matthew 6:33

Sunday Morning Children's Ministry

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. St. Paul's School building Beginning Sun., Sept. 13

Registration is online at www.stpaulsjanesville.com
Look under the church tab when registering.
Registration forms are also in the Opportunities.

Join us for a fun filled hour that includes:

- Large Group & Small Group-style learning!
- Bible Drama, Puppets and Music!
- Bible Time, Crafts & Games!
- Christ-centered, Relationship Building & Fun!

ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND – We would like to invite you to the anniversary weekend on September 26th and 27th. St. Paul's alumni, Reverend Joshua Reinke, will be our guest preacher that weekend. We would also like to invite you to stay and enjoy our annual Oktoberfest following the 10:30 service on Sunday. We will have an open house of the school after services. Walk the halls of history through the school from 1865 to the present and looking to the future.

HOT LUNCH NEWS: Applications for free and reduced hot lunches are accepted anytime during the year. This is money readily available through the National School Lunch Program and families are encouraged to apply. Forms were included in your home visit packs. You only need to fill out one form for your entire family. Please consider this offer and remember that all applications are kept confidential. For assistance or applications, contact Janet Jass at ext. 220 or jass@stpaulsjanesville.com.

Please remember that when you send money with your child for their account that you put it into an envelope WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME on it and give it to their teacher or to Mrs. Jass in the Video Room.

<u>SCHOOL PICTURE DAY CHANGE</u> – Lifetouch will be here on Thursday, October 1st **not** on Monday, Sept. 21st for all students and faculty! Retakes will be done on Thursday, October 29th. Please note this change on your calendars. I will send more information as the date approaches.

FLAMES CROSS COUNTRY MEET – The Flames will be hosting their 35th cross country meet next Friday at the Youth Sports Complex. We run a small concession area and could use your help. If you are interested in signing up, please visit bit.ly/flamesmeet.

ATHLETIC CODE – Parents and students in Grades 4-8 - tomorrow is the last day that you can view the athletic code meeting online and submit the proper paperwork. If you plan on doing any sports this year, please get this done today. Contact Mr. Fenrick with any questions. The video can be found at bit.ly/goflames.

SCOREBOARD TRAINING – Interested in helping run the scoreboard during home volleyball games? Mr. Fenrick is offering a training session on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 7:00 in the gym. The session takes less than a half hour to learn.

ST. PAUL'S YOUTH GROUP TO HOST SCOOPIE

NIGHT – Tuesday, September 15th be sure to go to Culver's on Milton Ave. between 4-8pm. For every order you place, our youth will get 10% of the sale. Bring your friends and family, come talk to "Scoopie" and have fun! Don't forget to pick up your Culver's SCRIP!

SINGING FOR WORSHIP – On Sunday, September 13 grades 3 and 4 will be singing for the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Students may sit with their family and come forward to sing from the front steps.

On the weekend of September 26 &27 all grades will be singing for worship as we celebrate the school's 150th anniversary. Students may sing Saturday at 6pm, Sunday at 8am or Sunday at 10:30am.



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<u>WHAT IS MOPS?</u> – MOPS is a grassroots movement that believes moms are world influencers.

We also believe that incubating hearts and giving just-because-hugs can change the course of history. That's why we connect moms all over the world to a community of women, in their own neighborhoods, who meet together to laugh, cry and embrace the journey of motherhood. MOPS groups are rallying women to be more honest, to feel more equipped and to find our identity by journeying along side one another.

MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, and by preschoolers we mean kiddos from birth through kindergarten. We know it's a little confusing so let's just stick with "MOPS."

We are moms, and we believe that better moms make a better world.

Questions??? Call or Text Carmen Huenerberg - 608-931-6767 Wendy Teval - 209-815-8401

UPCOMING MOPS EVENTS

Color Night at El Jardin Restaurant

September 18th @ 6:30pm

Join us for coloring night! Supplies provided. Drinks and appetizers served.

Clothing Exchange Party

Friday, October 30th @ 5:00pm

Join the church that night for Trunk-or-Treat with the kids and bring gently used clothes from your closet or your children's closet, to exchange or give-away. Then go "shopping" amongst the tables and take something "new" home!

Glow Bowling Party @ Rivers Edge Bowl

Saturday, November 21th @ 3:00pm

Bowl, laugh and glow while only keeping track of YOUR shoes and not everyone else's!

Advent by Candlelight @ St. Paul's Church

December Date TBA

Come and celebrate the birth of Jesus and take a quiet moment to remember the reason for the season.

<u>VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY</u> – We are looking for parents to help fill helium balloons for our 150th birthday celebration on September 18th. Please contact Miss Schultz if you are to help. Thank you!

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY – CHRISTUS CHAPTER – This year is off to a busy start! The 8th grade officers for the 2015-2016 school year are: President-Matthew Nielson, Vice President-Abbey Schrader, Secretary-Joshua Stanton, and Treasurer-Gracie Krueger.

The first meeting is WEDNESDAY (new day), September 16, 7:15 AM, Room 204. This meeting is for 8th grade members, only! Induction of new members is Friday, October 16, 6:30 PM in church with reception to follow.

Save the dates: Mac's Pizza Night - October 7, 4:00 PM-8:00 PM, and January 27, noon-2:00 PM. Proceeds will be split between LCMS Disaster Relief Fund and Bridging the Gap.

Thank you! Mrs. Jacobsen



Sept. 4 - Back to School Bowling

Sept. 7 – No School / Labor Day

Sept. 11 – Flames CC Meet

Sept. 15 – AR Reading Night

Sept. 15 – Scoopie Night

Sept. 18 – Hat & Sunglass Day

Sept. $18 - 150^{th}$ Pep Assembly 2pm

Sept. 21 – Cheer Clinic 3-5pm

Sept. 21 – DC Meeting 6:30

Sept. 24 – Cheerleading Tryouts

Sept. 25 – Field Trip Day Grades 5-8

Sept. 26 – 150th Anniversary Celebration

Sept. 27 – Oktoberfest follows the 10:30 Service

Oct. 1 – Picture Day

Oct. 1 – Florida Mtg. 7:45pm

*Please note that the Labor Day Parade has been cancelled for this year.