



# St. John Lutheran School

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## PARENT NEWSLETTER ~ August 25, 2008

**ACOLYTES** for the Worship Service this Sun., August 31 are: **Hannah Dietrich & Rachel Niermann.**



**BIRTHDAYS** this week in our school family: **Tues., Aug. 26** – Jenna Hallett ( *Kindergarten* ); **Thurs., Aug. 28** – Luke Gruenhagen ( *6<sup>th</sup> grade* )



**MEMORY FOR GRADES 1 AND 2** this week:

**Tues., Aug. 26** – (The First Commandment) You shall have no other gods.

**Thurs., Aug. 28** – (1 John 5:21) Dear children, keep yourselves from idols.

**FIELD TRIP PERMIT** – Field Trip Permits for the 2008-09 school year are being sent home today. This year we are implementing one form to cover field trips for the entire school year. Please complete and sign the form (one per student) and return to the school by Friday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>.

**NOTE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE** : The Parent Newsletters and Lunch Menus are available on the school's website. Just go to [www.sjl.org](http://www.sjl.org), click on St. John School and then select either Lunch Menu or Parent Newsletter. The current week's newsletters are posted to the web by Tuesday morning.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY** – If your child(ren) will be absent from school for the day, please call the school office by 8:30 a.m. If no call is received, the school must call the home. Please assist us with this policy.

**SCHOOL PICTURES**: This will be done on **Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 9:00 AM. Forms will be sent home next week. Be sure to look for it. Payment is due the same day before the student's picture will be taken, payable to: **Jodi Richardson Photography**. Pictures of the 3-year old preschool students will be taken on Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup> as well as any one absent on the 4<sup>th</sup> in Grades K–8.

**WHEN VISITING THE BUILDING** : All parents, friends, or other visitors to our building during school hours are asked to use the main school entry doors. We have a school security system. All doors will be locked during normal school hours. This is being done to improve school safety for the students and staff. If you visit the building during a school day, please use the entry lobby intercom system, located to the right of the inside double doors. Just press the gold buzzer and someone will answer in the office to let you in. Please report **immediately** to the office. While waiting for a student, parent are asked to remain in the lobby area outside the gym. Do not wait outside the classrooms or enter a class session. Classes are dismissed at 3:15 P.M.

**STUDENTS ARRIVING AT SCHOOL** – At 8:00 AM you may enter the building and go directly to your regular lunch table in the Fellowship Hall. Students may not leave the Fellowship Hall until the 8:20 AM bell. Then they are to go to their classrooms, restrooms, etc., and prepare for the beginning of class at 8:25 AM. Bicycleriders should not arrive at school until 8:15 AM.

**PARKING DURING THE SCHOOL DAY** – There is no parking allowed during the school day on the first two rows of parking spaces closest to the doors. **These parking spaces have been painted yellow**. Sometimes we have three buses here at one time and we need all his spaces so they can pick up the students that ride on their bus.

**EMERGENCY CARDS (Blue & Yellow Cards) and the STATE FUNDSCARD (Pink)** : There are just a handful of families who have not turned these in, so please try to get them completed this week. Write all family member names on one card. **(OVER)**

**CHAPEL SERVICE:** Our first chapel service will be September 9<sup>th</sup> and will be led by *Pastor Niermann*. For each of four Chapel Services throughout the school year, we send home with each child a little manila envelope for the offering. Have your child return the manila envelope the morning of the chapel service with your offering. The offering for the month of September will go toward The Orphan Grain Train. This is a Lutheran service organization under the sponsorship of the Lutheran Layman's League. Both of our September chapel offerings will be going to this project.

**SCHOOL DELAYS** – If there is a school delay, the schedule will be as follows:

*1 hour delay – 9:30 AM to 3:15 PM*

*2 hour delay – 10:15 AM to 3:15 PM (Lunch at regular time.)*

**SCHOOL VISITATION:** This will be held during the evening on October 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00 PM. The PTL will be sponsoring a book fair that evening also. More details will be sent home the beginning of October.

**ACTIVITY TICKETS** – These may be purchased at a cost of \$35.00 from the school office. Make check payable to St. John Lutheran School. These are for Napoleon High School activities only.

**FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH FORMS** : *We are now under the National School Lunch Program, so please look over the forms sent home last week very carefully to see if you qualify.* If so, fill out and turn the form back into the school office by August 31<sup>st</sup>. *The more participants we have, the greater the benefit of the program.* These forms will be reviewed and you will be notified ASAP if you qualify. Until you are notified, please pay for lunches per the schedule in the Parent Handbook under Lunchroom News.

**LUNCHROOM NOTES** : This year we will be in our 12<sup>th</sup> year of cooking our own food here for our school lunches. If buying a **meal ticket**, please make checks out to St. John Lutheran School. Money for meal tickets is collected each Monday morning in a box on the kitchen counter. Price per day: Gr. K-4 \$2.00; Gr. 5-8 \$2.10. Adults: \$2.30 without milk; \$2.50 with milk. You may purchase meal tickets for any number of days: weekly, monthly, etc.

**“Extra’s Tickets”:** An “extras” ticket can be purchased for \$5.00 and can be used to purchase an extra sandwich or milk, cookie or fruit roll-up. These tickets are kept in the lunch cashbox. When the ticket is used up, it is sent home with the child to notify the parents.

**Credits:** A credit slip will be sent home on Friday if there is a credit due to illness, bad weather, or a missed lunch. All credits should be used up as soon as possible.

**Menu:** A menu will be sent home the last week of the month. *September’s Lunch Menu is being sent home today.* Each daily menu consists of an entrée, vegetable, fruit and milk. On occasion a dessert will also be served. Most days there will be two vegetable choices even if there is only one listed on the calendar.

**Charges:** A lunch can be charged due to forgotten lunch money, but should be paid by the end of the school week. No charges are allowed for cookies or fruit roll-ups.

**Lucky Tray:** Some weeks we have a “Lucky Tray” day. On that day there will be marked lunch trays and the winners receive a free fruit roll-up.

### **FOOTBALL NOTES** :

- The first game of the 2008-09 season is Thurs., Aug. 28 at 4:30 PM vs. Holgate, at Holgate. Good Luck players!
- Tues., Sept. 2 at 5:00 PM at Edon

**BOOSTER MEMBERSHIP:** Membership is now being taken for the Booster Club. Prices are \$20.00 for a couple and \$10.00 for an individual. Make check payable to St. John Boosters and send to school with your child. Forms are available in the school office. Booster officers are: *Teresa Damman* – President; *Lori Gruenhagen* – Vice President; *Becky Michaelis* – Secretary; *Sara Buchhop* – Treasurer. Join today and help out the children’s athletic program. Our program is here at St. John to give our students a sense of sportsmanship, discipline, structure and self-confidence needed to go out into the world.

**COLLECTINGBOX TOPS**: The PTL is again collecting box tops from Big G  
*Big G Box Tops For Education*. For every box top we send in, they will pay us 10

Cereals. The box top has to say, cents.

**CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS AND POP TABS**: Our school collects Campbell Labels and Pop Tabs all year  
long. There has been a change on what to save on the Campbell Soup Labels. Now they just want the UP C  
Codes and not the front portion of the label. Bring the labels and Pop Tabs to school anytime.

**YOUTH BOWLING** - September 6, 2008, youth bowling begins at River City Bowl-A-Way at 9:00 AM.  
Weekly cost is \$7.75 per person. Thank you and if you have any questions, please contact River City Bowl-A-  
Way at 419-592-1841.



Have a Great Week!  
St. John Lutheran School

**Mission Statement:** "St. John Lutheran School in partnership with Church and home provides for the educational needs of each child in such a way as to proclaim in word and deed that Jesus is the Lord of Life...to emphasize the positive qualities in each student as a child of God and to equip the child for faithfulness and service to his/her Savior."