



The Buzz

August 24, 2023

Upcoming Events

Sun. Aug 27

Worship 9:00 am

Monday, Aug 28

FB Practice 3:30-5:00

3K/4K Orientation
5:00-7:00

Tuesday, Aug 29

VB Practice 3:30-5:00

Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday, Aug 30

Chapel 8:20 am

FB Practice 3:30-5:00

Thursday, Aug 31

VB Practice 3:30-5:00

Friday, Sep 1

No School

Sunday, Sep 3

Worship 9:00

Monday, Sep 4

Labor Day
No School
ELC CLOSED

Tuesday, Sep 5

3K/4K First Day of School

VB Practice 3:30-5:00

"Walk with God, Talk with God"

This is the theme that we are using for our school year. Throughout each week, students in grades K-8 will meet together for a morning assembly. At this assembly, we will say the pledge; we will have some short devotional thoughts and then announcements. The same devotional topic that we go through each week will then be shared with you in each newsletter so you also are hearing the same truths about "Walking with God, Talking with God". It is my prayer that throughout this year you and your child and all of us continue to live for Jesus and let our light shine to those around us. God's Blessings on this upcoming school year!

In Christ, Mike Allard, Principal @ St. John's

School Schedule: There is NO SCHOOL Friday, September 1, Monday, September 4th, or Friday, September 8th.

ELC Closed: The ELC will be closed on Monday, September 4th, for the Labor Day holiday.

Fast Direct: If you have not yet activated your Fast Direct account, we would encourage you to do so as soon as possible. In addition to checking grades and progress of your student, parents can also pay tuition and lunch money online through Fast Direct. If you have any questions or problems, please contact the office.

Campout: Our annual school campout will be held September 7th-10th (Thursday-Sunday) at West Arbutus Jackson County Park. **All school parents and children are invited.**

There will be a potluck supper Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. and a worship service Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. You are invited to come for the potluck and worship service even if you are not camping.

The campground does not take reservations after Labor Day, but there should be plenty of room for all. You can pick your site when you come out.

We hope many of you can join us!

Bean Bag Tournament: We are excited to have our third bean bag tournament this year at the campground. The tournament will start with the youth singles at noon on Saturday (9/9). We hope to have a youth singles tournament, an adult singles tournament, and an adult doubles tournament. There will be no entry fee; we just want as many people to come and play as possible. Prizes for first place winners are being donated by the kind people at Ratsch Engineering.

Flag Football: Our first flag football practices will be held on Monday (8/28) and Wednesday (8/30) from 3:30-5:00.

Volleyball Practice: Our first volleyball practices will be held next week Tuesday (8/29) and Thursday (8/31) from 3:30-5:00.

Chapel: Each Wednesday at our children's chapel service the students have a chance to give a mission offering. This year our mission offerings will go to Cornerstone Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, which is opening its doors for the first time this fall.

Parents, you are always invited to attend chapel services with us. They are held in church every Wednesday morning at 8:20.

Kwik Trip Scrip: We have \$50 Kwik Trip gift cards available in the school office. The school receives a discount when we order the cards. This money goes into our Booster Club to support our athletic programs. If you're interested in purchasing a Kwik Trip card, stop in the office.

Breakfast/Lunch Info: Breakfast and lunch will be available every day. Breakfast costs \$2.00/day and lunch costs \$3.00/day. Milk at snack time (Gr. K-1) or milk with a cold lunch costs 30 cents.

We would strongly encourage parents to fill out the free/reduced lunch applications that were included in your summer mailing if you think your income and family size may allow you to qualify. Not only does this help our families who are eligible, it also benefits our hot lunch program. Please turn in applications to the school office as soon as possible. Reduced breakfast price is \$0.30/day, and reduced lunch price is \$0.40/day.

We ask that parents please pay money for breakfasts and lunches ahead of time. We will put that into your meal account, keep track of your child's meals, and let you know when your account is running low. **PLEASE TURN IN LUNCH MONEY NO LATER THAN AUGUST 31.**

School Band: If your child from grades 4-8 is still interested in learning an instrument this school year and hasn't signed up already or is interested in learning more about a variety of instruments, Mr. Leiterman would be happy to explain and sign your child up for lessons. Please email him at mr.leiterman@stjohnsneillsville.com or call/text at (920) 615-5136.

Friends of St. John's: This is our parent-teacher group. This group is for all parents and friends of St. John's-not only those who are members at our church. There will be three scheduled meetings throughout the school year.

The first Friends of St. John's meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13th, in the school gym starting at 6:00. We will begin with a light supper, then have a short devotion and our business meeting. All of you are invited to attend.

We thank the parents who have signed up to provide supper before the FSJ meeting. They are: Jenny Shadrick, Kristine Boon, and Craig & Rachel Anderson. Thanks for your willingness to help out!

Remind: This year we will continue implementing a communication system called Remind. This will allow us to text or email parents to inform you of upcoming events happening at school or church.

Survey: Look for a text message next week that will have a link to our annual parent survey for both new and returning families.

Seal A Smile: Information packets from the Clark County Health Department were included in your orientation folders. In that

packet from CCHD you will find a permission slip for the 2023-24 Clark County Seal-A-Smile program. This is a school-based oral health program with a focus on dental sealants. Please fill out and return the permission slip, even if you do not want your child to participate, to the school office by Thursday, September 7th.

Adult Instruction Class: We have already had some parents express interest in adult instruction class. This class is meant not only for those who may be interested in church membership, but also for those who would like to learn more about what our church teaches and what your children are learning in religion classes at school.

We are making plans to begin class sometime in September. If any other parents are still interested or would like more information, please email us or call the school office and we will be happy to assist you.