Bethany Lutheran School

Long Beach, CA



BEAR FACTS

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From the Principal

October 31 is Halloween, of course, but it's also Reformation Day, a day to remember the work of Martin Luther and his work on behalf of the church.

Luther also believed in the importance of Christian education for both boys AND girls. Bethany Lutheran School is an echo of that reformation work begun over 500 years ago!

Our students learn about Martin Luther and his work, but we pray that they ALSO absorb the message that the focus of the Reformation WAS and IS all about Jesus!



Soli Deo Gloria, to God ALONE be glory!

Dr. Fink

Coming Up

- Oct. 29-Moms in Prayer
- Oct. 31-Happy Reformation Day (and Halloween!)
- Nov. 1-PAJAMA DAY!
- Nov. 3-Daylight Savings ends
- Nov. 5-Moms in Prayer
- **Nov. 7-8-**Parent Teacher Conferences-Minimum Days
- Nov. 11-Veteran's Day-No School
- Nov. 12-MomCo
- **Nov. 12-**Middle School Game Day
- **Nov. 12-**SEEDS Parent Education Night
- **Nov. 13-**Operation Christmas Child Packing Event
- Nov. 15-Middle School Movie Night
- **Nov. 19-**PTL Meeting 6:30 PM
- **Nov. 22-**Grandparents Day
- Nov. 25-29 Thanksgiving Break

Spelling Bee Winners!

Congratulations to Zion Ruiz (Grade 5) and Philip Coutts-Wood (Grade 4) who took 2nd and 3rd places at the Lutheran Schools Spelling Bee! Well done!

Leading chapel this week:

Mrs. Blake

Chapel begins at 9:00 AM. Parents, you are always welcome to join us for chapel!



Do you shop at Ralphs? Sign up for their Community Contribution Program and earn for Bethany.

- 1. Create a digital account A Digital account is needed to participate in the rewards program. I you already have a digital account, simply link your Rewards card to your account so that all transactions apply towards Bethany.
- 2. Link you card to an organization Sign in to your digital account; search for Bethany Lutheran Church and School / NPO #PM735; select Bethany and click "Save"
- **3.** Bethany earns and so do you! Check your account for the quarterly report that shows your earnings, take a screenshot or print a copy and send it to relopez@bethanylutheran.org and it will get counted in your Scrip rebate. If you are not earning towards a tuition or youth rebate, your contributions will go toward general ministry and no copy is needed.

Ruth Lopez, Scrip Coordinator rlopez@bethanylutheran.org

Monthly Award Winners

This year we are recognizing students who demonstrate growth in Bethany Lutheran's Student Goals to

Learn, Love, Lead, Serve.

This month's award winners are:

Olivia Dicecca
Liam Padilla
Jinora Chung
Jaxson Gardner
Norah Gagne
Zion Ruiz
Henry Cerulle
Sarah Kibe
Daniella Martins

Jog-a-thon

Jog-a-thon awards and prizes will be handed out at the flagpole tomorrow, October 30, 8:50 AM.

Parents are welcome to join us!

Student Council Dress-Up Day

Friday, Nov. 1

Wear your comfy jammies, but with shoes instead of slippers (you can leave the blankets and stuffies at home so they're ready for your Friday night!)



Moms in Prayer

Pray for our children, teachers and school at Moms in Prayer! Join other Bethany moms on Tuesdays in the Youth Room from 8:30-9:30am. Meetings are structured (we follow a prayer sheet) and confidential. Parents and students are welcome to leave prayer requests in the boxes at EDC, the preschool, and in the school office. Come weekly or occasionally. Fish hours can be earned. If you'd like to learn more about this international prayer group, check out momsinprayer.org.

"Before they call, I will answer; while they are still speaking, I will hear." Isaiah 65:24

Middle School Corner

Middle School Families-Please **SAVE THE DATE** for Wednesday, December 18th, 2024!

We are excited to share that on 12/18/24, the middle school students will be leading the Advent Christmas chapel service at 9:00 AM and the Advent evening service at 6:30 PM. Every middle school student is an important part of this experience. Please mark this on your calendar now and plan to join us (and invite friends and family).

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Costume Cornhole Tournament, what a great time! **Congratulations** to the tournament champions, Emilee Torres and her brother, Trevor (Class of 2024!) and costume contest winners, Jacob Murdock and Lily Marentez.

Who will be next year's champions?

Thank you!!

What a great Trunk -or-Treat event! Kudos to the hard-working committee:

Kimberly Bullard (Chair)

Mohammad and Sarah Mouissat (assistant leads)

Ms. Jen Garcia

Brianna Sesma

Susie Lu-Rangsitpol

Justine Finch (Project Shepherd)

Raphi Martins

Cristina Carrillo

Tera Carmagnola

Austin Guerrero

Brandi Murdock

Gift cards donated by Cassidy's Corner

Congrats to these top three Trunk-or-Treat decorators!



The Parada Family



The Rangitsol Family



The Erdman Family

SEEDS Parent Education Night

"Building a Bridge of Connection"

Save the date!

Tuesday, November 12

6:30 PM





SEEDS

Parent Education Night

Building a Bridge of Connection

Join us as LMFT, April Twenhafel delves into the heart of parent-child relationships. Together, we will explore the foundational building blocks of connecting with your child emotionally. She will discuss practical strategies for fostering emotional intelligence in your children. We will review creating a safe and supportive home environment that promotes healthy emotional regulation and equips them with valuable coping skills for navigating life's challenges, from childhood to adulthood.

Childcare will be available.

Guest Speaker:

April Twenhafel, LMFT

April Twenhafel is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist with over 17 years experience providing therapy to children, adolescents, adults, and families. She holds certifications in (EMDR) and is trained in (CISM). April has a private practice located in Newport Beach, Ca., where she specializes in trauma/abuse, anxiety, depression, grief/loss and religious trauma.

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Tuesday

November 12, 2024

6:30pm

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