

Bethany Lutheran School

Long Beach, CA

BEAR FACTS

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From the Principal

Did you know that Bethany Lutheran School is a fullyaccredited school? This means we have the "stamp of approval" from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and National Lutheran School Accreditation. Last week, I had the opportunity to serve on a WASC/NLSA accrediting team for another Lutheran school in Escondido. It was great to see their school in operation, help them see their strengths and areas of growth, and encourage their staff and administration. (Oh, and steal some ideas for use here at Bethany!) :)

On different topic, tomorrow is a special day in the church year: Ash Wednesday. On this day, we acknowledge our sinfulness and our need for the forgiveness found in Jesus. This day also marks the beginning of the season of Lent.

In our chapel service, we will have the opportunity to have ashes in the shape of a cross placed on our foreheads or backs of our hands. (We also have the option to say "no, thank you.") You are welcome to join us for this special worship service at 9:00 in the church sanctuary.

The sanctuary will also be open from 10-11 for private reflection followed by additional Ash Wednesday services at 1:00 and 6:30.



Blessings on your week, Dr. Fink

Coming Up

- Mar. 5- Ash. Wednesday
- Mar. 7-Fine Arts Festival/Open House
- Mar. 9-Daylight Savings Begins
- March 14-K-2 Spring Musical
- March 21-End Quarter 3 PTL Dance Party-2:30
- March 24-28 SPRING BREAK
- **April 3-4-**Minimum Days-Parent Teacher Conferences
- **April 13-**Palm Sunday-Troubadour sings 8:00, Trinity sings 8:30
- April 18-Good Friday-No School
- April 20-EASTER!!
- April 21-Easter Monday-No School
- April 22-25-Health and Wellness Week

Leading chapel this week:

Pastor Kritzer

Parents, you are welcome to join us at 9:00 in the church.





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Middle School Corner

During the season of Lent, you're invited to join your middle school student in adding a song a day as a way to spend time together that is focused on our loving Savior, Jesus! From Ash Wednesday (3/5) to Easter Sunday (4/20), a new praise song will be posted in the middle school's What's Happening Google Classroom. We hope you'll encourage your student to play the song each day and share it with the family as a way to connect with the Lord and with each other.

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer." Psalm 19:14





BETHANY LUTHERAN SCHOOL FINE ARTS FAIR OPEN HOUSE MARCH 7, 2025 6:30-8:00 PM

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE HENSLEY SQUARE

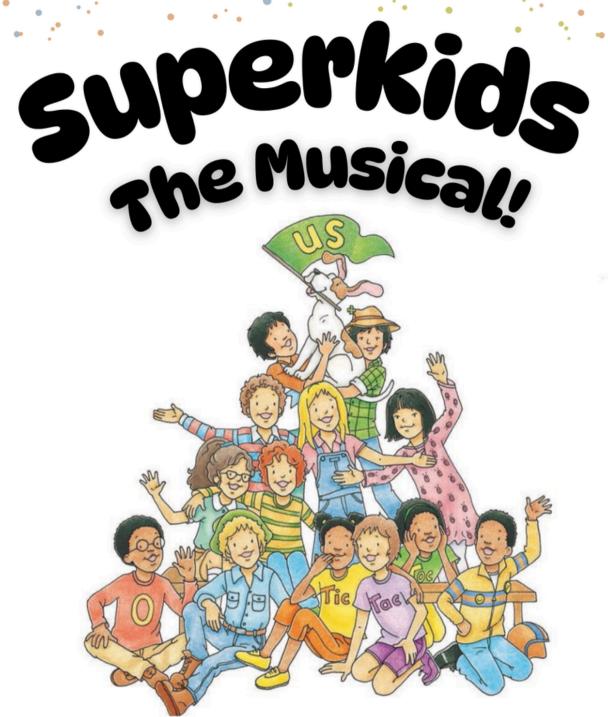
7:05 Kindergarten, 1st, & 2nd Grades Sing

7:10 4th Grade Plays Ukuleles

- 7:15 5th Grade Plays Recorders
- 7:20 Trinity & Troubadour Choirs Sing
- 7:25 6th Grade Chimes Ring
- 7:30 7th & 8th Morning Bells Ring

CLASSROOM PROJECTS

Room 202 The Art Classroom Kindergarten's Glow & Flow Ocean Spectacle Room 104 1st Grade's Hero in a Can Room 114 Room 113 2nd Grade Poses as Famous Artwork **3rd Grade's Fun with Fables** Room 201 4th Grade's Mission Lapbooks & Agamographs Room 221 Room 222 5th Grade is Celebrating their God-given Gifts Rooms 203, 204, 205 & 206 will display a variety of 6th, 7th & 8th grade projects across subject areas



Presented by Bethany Lutheran's Kindergarten, 1st Grade, and 2nd Grade

Thursday, March 13, 9:00 am Friday, March 14, 6:30 pm Bethany Lutheran's Gym HOP INTO SPRING WITH US! ORDER DELICIOUS TREATS THAT EVERYONE WILL ENJOY!

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Dear Parents and Friends: We are excited to begin our See's Candies Spring Service! Let us help you bring Easter blessings to friends, relatives, neighbors, and co-workers. By ordering through our students you help out our program here at Bethany Lutheran in our Preschool and K-8 grade classes!

> ALL IN PERSON ORDERS ARE DUE APRIL 2ND PLEASE NO EXCEPTIONS! ONLINE SHOPPING WILL CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT ON APRIL 4TH

> > SHOP HERE



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