



BEAR FACTS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We enjoyed The NED Show last Friday! We learned the importance of resiliency/grit/stick-to-it-ness, and the importance of encouraging others. We also took the NED pledge:

N-Never give up.

E-Encourage others.

D-Do your best.

We also heard that making mistakes is part of the learning process! "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again!" is still a great motto, and it's been fun to see kids "try, try again" in the yo-yo zone here at school.

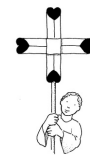
Thanks for working with us to foster "grit" in our students!

*Have a blessed week,
Dr. Fink*



COMING UP

- **Oct. 24**-End Quarter 1
- **Oct. 26**-Trunk or Treat (4-5 PM) and Okto-bear-fest (4-7 PM)
- **Oct. 28-Photo Makeup Day**
PTL Meeting 6:30
- **Oct. 31**-Minimum Day
- **Nov. 2**-Daylight Savings ends
- **Nov. 6-7**-Parent Teacher Conferences/Minimum Days
- **Nov. 11**-Veterans Day-No School
- **Nov. 12**-Operation Christmas Child Packing Event
- **Nov. 17**-SEEDS Parent Ed Night
- **Nov. 21**-Grandparents' Day-Minimum Day



Leading chapel this week:

Mr. Royuk

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

Our chapel offerings for the month of October will go to [Mission India](#).



RaiseRight™

Last weekend of Bonus Fest! Oct. 24 - 26 / Featured brand - GAP (includes Old Navy, Athleta, Banana Republic). Buy a GAP card and you are entered to win a \$100 GAP card!

New Brand: Dutch Bros. Coffee - make your morning coffee run count! 5% on physical cards in \$10 and \$25 amounts / eCards in \$5 - \$500 amounts

Update: Roblox now available in \$10 & \$25 physical cards in addition to \$10 - \$200 eCards.



Sports Schedule



Tuesday-
Volleyball home vs. Shield of Faith

Wednesday-
Football home vs. Emmaus

Thursday-
Volleyball away vs. Mt. Calvary

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will be coming home today. If you would like additional copies of photos, please use the re-order form included in your package.

Photo make-up day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 28 for students who were absent. If your child's photo needs to be re-taken for some reason, please keep the group photo and school ID from your package, and send the rest of the photo package back to school so we know to retake the photo.



Veterans Day Letters

Bethany Lutheran School looks forward to thanking veterans for their service and appreciates your help in advance! We hope to thank as many veterans as possible for their service by sending a package of thank you cards to them by mail. The goal is for the package of student-created thank you cards to arrive just before the Veterans Day holiday.

Important Note In order to keep the list as accurate as possible, we are collecting names/addresses yearly. If you submitted a veteran in previous years, please submit them again. We will only be mailing to those on the 2025 list. Please complete this form for one veteran at a time.

Please complete this form no later than Friday, October 24th, 2025.

Please reach out to Mrs. Carrie Evans at cevans@bethanylutheran.org with any questions.



Middle School Corner

Last week in Advisory, the students met one-on-one with their advisory teacher and looked at their recent MAP testing scores, discussed how they felt about the tests, and made goals for taking the test again in a few months. This opportunity provides the students with an important chance to see their results and be part of the MAP test discussions. The students are encouraged to see themselves as life-long learners, striving to do their best while understanding that they haven't learned it all...yet!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoebbox Season is HERE, which means we once again have the opportunity to touch the lives of children all over the world with a shoebbox gift prayerfully packed full of fun gifts. Samaritan's Purse collects Operation Christmas Child shoebbox gifts and delivers them via local believers to children around the world in over 100 countries.

Our Bethany students will be packing shoeboxes on Wednesday, November 12. We could use crayons, small calculators, toothbrushes, hair brushes, fun adhesive bandages, and quality toys like hot-wheels, magnatiles, dolls, and harmonicas. Items can be placed in the OCC box in the school office. If you prefer, you can donate funds to help cover the \$10 cost of shipping each box. School chapel offerings during the month of November and on Grandparents day will also be used to offset our shipping costs.

Set-up for the packing party will take place on Tuesday, November 11 (Veteran's Day holiday) between 9:00 and noon in the school gym. If you can help with set-up or help monitor the packing process on the 12th, (between 7:30 and 3:30), please contact Kahana Smith (310-387-0728), Ruth Lopez (rlopez@bethanylutheran.org) or Cory Steele (csteele@bethanylutheran.org).

Parent Volunteer Opportunity!

Help with Trunk-or-Treat OR host a trunk for the event! We could still use some clean-up help! Sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/uupqMRX>



Hey KIDS and families!

NED's Resiliency Ride is visiting our school! The assembly is filled with storytelling, humor, illusions and amazing yo-yo tricks where our kids learn the hidden message in NED's name:

Never give up
Encourage others
Do your best®

Do you want to learn to yo? A yo-yo is both a learning tool and a tangible reminder of NED's message. While learning to yo, children will make mistakes, try again and improve.

NED Assembly Friday, 10/17, at 2:15

NED'S
**Resiliency
RIDE**

Parents
See a short
PREVIEW
of the show!



Our school yo-yo sale

Our school received this assembly at no-cost because another school paid-it-forward to us. We want to help pay-it-forward too, and you can help by purchasing a NED-messaged yo-yo.

SALE DATES: Oct. 17-27 TIME: Before/after school

PLACE OF SALE: School Office

STUDENT ORDER FORM:

REPLACEMENT STRING PACK

Ten assorted strings to change color or replace a worn out yo-yo string.

\$6



\$8

YO HOLSTER

Keep track of your yo and have it ready to go. Attach it to your belt loop or backpack (yo-yo not included).

CLASSIC YO

Learn the basics of yo-yoing with assorted fixed axle yo-yos.

\$10



NED YO



GOYO



MAX



TRIXIE



YETI



SNAPBACK

SUPER SPINNERS

Great for basic and intermediate tricks. With a strong throw, these auto-return yo-yos 'sleep' at the end of the string & then come back automatically.

\$14

SPECIALTY SURPRISE SELECTION

Assorted professional yo-yos for next level tricks for younger players, add 5 string wraps around the axle for easy play.

\$18



SPARK



FLASH



UFO



XBOT



STARBURST



STORM



GALAXY



EXCELERATOR

Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

For more yo-yo fun
and to learn tricks,
check out:
NEDkids.com



Yo-yo designs, colors and availability may vary.
We will charge your FACTS account.

ITEM	PRICE	QTY.	SUBTOTAL
String Pack	\$6		
Holster	\$8		
Classic Yo	\$10		
Super Spinner	\$14		
Specialty Yo	\$18		
TOTAL DUE			



Planning to attend Trunk-or-Treat/Okto-bear-fest?

We're working with Christian Outreach in Action to provide food for community members in need. COA is requesting the following:

Canned vegetables/yams, stuffing, instant mashed potatoes, canned cranberry sauce, flour, cooking oil, tortillas, sugar, energy/nutrition bars, snack fruits, or meat sticks/jerky.

We'll collect your items at the check-in gate at Trunk-or-Treat (along with your bag of Halloween candy...one bag per family!)

Help send Bethany 8th Graders to DC and New York!

CHRISTMAS GREENERY SALE

GREENERY ARRIVES THE FIRST WEEK OF DECEMBER!

ORDERS DUE NO LATER THAN
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9
AT MIDNIGHT ON THE WEBSITE
<https://bit.ly/Wreaths2526>

ORDER ONLINE AND SUPPORT YOUR FAVORITE
8TH GRADER OR SUPPORT THE WHOLE CLASS!



FIRE UP YOUR FUNDRAISER

Grab some fire-grilled chicken and vibe with us!

BETHANY SCHOOL

El Pollo Loco will donate 25% of the proceeds to us!

Visit the El Pollo Loco location listed below on the designated date and bring this flyer. Please order through cashier, not the kiosk machines. Participants must present this flyer to the cashier at the time of purchase.

Flyers cannot be distributed in or around the restaurant.

OCT 22, 2025

2200 Clark Ave, Long Beach, CA 90815

10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Thank you in advance for your support! Interested in fundraising?

Contact Minerva Del Villar at (562) 821-4020 or minerva.delvillar@wksusa.com



JOIN US
OCTOBER 26TH
AT BETHANY LUTHERAN

MUSIC PERFORMANCE BY: LADYHOSEN

DRINKS

MUSIC

FOOD

FAMILY FUN

ORDER OF **EVENTS**

**TRUNK
OR
TREAT**

4 - 5 PM

JOIN US IN THE PARKING LOT FOR OUR ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT! ADMISSION IS 1 BAG OF CANDY + 1 CANNED FOOD ITEM. WANT TO HOST A TRUNK? [SIGN UP HERE.](#)

**FOOD IS
SERVED**

4:30 - 6:30 PM

MEET US ON THE FIELD FOR A TRADITIONAL GERMAN FEAST WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS. USE THE QR CODE TO ORDER FOOD & DRINKS!

**OKTO-
FEST**

4 - 7 PM

THE FUN CONTINUES UNDER THE TENT WITH OKTO-BEAR-FEST: LIVE MUSIC, AND PLENTY OF FUN & FELLOWSHIP FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

**4 PM -
7 PM**





Middle School
COSTUME

CORNHOLE

**TOURNAMENT
2025**



**OCT
26**

Prizes for the
winning team
and best
costumes!

Bethany Lutheran Parking Lot

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

4:15 -5:15 PM

**Teams must include at least one Bethany
middle school student or teacher.**

This is an elimination tournament.

Google Form Sign Up by Weds., 10/22