



BEAR FACTS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

One of my kids sent me a fun/interesting *article over the weekend that had a GREAT line in it:

"...I never considered how that knowledge came to be in the first place, and I never appreciated the fact that this information was not a given until somebody made it so. That is the process of science and that is the beauty of discovery. And I love it! I love learning..."

So great!

Since this is a science fair year and many students are deep in the scientific process for their projects, that quote feels especially timely. While we don't expect groundbreaking discoveries from elementary or middle school projects (though you never know!), the true purpose is far more important: fostering curiosity, teaching students to observe and ask good questions, and helping them clearly communicate what they learn. Our prayer is that this sense of wonder about God's world and how it works stays with them for a lifetime!

There's another quote in the article that struck me:

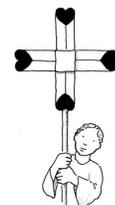
"I hope you learned something that you can share with somebody in your life this week – remember, curiosity is best enjoyed with others."

Stay curious, Bethany Bears!
Dr. Fink

**Speaking of sharing with others, I'm happy to share the article...let me know if you want the link!*

COMING UP

- **Jan. 23**-Report cards go home
- **Jan. 25**- Troubadour sings 8:00, Trinity and K-2 sing 9:30
- **Jan. 26-30**. National Lutheran Schools Week!
- **Jan. 26**- In-n-Out Truck!
- **Jan. 27**-PTL Meeting-6:30 PM
- **Jan. 28**-Middle School Info Night
- **Jan. 30**-Talent Show!
- **Feb. 2-12** MAP Testing
- **Feb. 13/16** Presidents Day Holidays
- **Feb. 17**- Health and Wellness Week
- **Feb. 20**- Middle School Musical!



Leading chapel this week:

Mr. Fink

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

Our chapel offerings this month will go to [Garuna Ministries](#).



Valentine's Day bonuses are just around the corner! January 31 - February 14. Plan your shopping list and earn extra during this event by buying gift cards for spending and gifting. Make Valentine's Day about showing a little love and kindness to friends and neighbors, as well as your loved ones - a Starbucks or Coffee Bean card for your well-caffeinated friends; a fast food card for your teen, and so much more!

You can also use gift cards for making your Valentine purchases. Use a Target or Walmart gift card to purchase your kid's Valentine cards or decorations.

Ruth Lopez, Scrip Coordinator



"Remem-bear":

Did your child receive a smartwatch from Santa? Just a reminder that students may not wear cellular-enabled devices during the school day, per school policy. Questions? Please check with your child's teacher to learn more about classroom procedures for turning in/returning smartwatches.

BASKETBALL GAMES

Thursday, 1/22- Varsity and JV away vs. Loving Savior, Chino Hills

Tuesday, 1/27- Varsity home vs. St. Mark's, Hacienda Heights

Thursday, 1/29- Varsity home vs. Emmau,s, Alhambra

Tuesday, 2/3, Varsity home vs. Shield of Faith

Wednesday, 2/4- JV away vs. St. Mark's, Hacienda Heights

Thursday, 2/5- Varsity away vs. St. Mark's, Hacienda Heights



Middle School Corner

Middle School students are encouraged to give their best efforts when they learn, love, lead, and serve others throughout the school day. The middle school uses a ticket system for acknowledging and celebrating when students go above and beyond in the classroom and around campus.

When students receive tickets, they can then put the tickets into the ticket bins throughout the homeroom classrooms. Approximately once a month, the middle school gathers and uses those tickets for a prize drawing celebration.

We're always looking to keep the prize bin enticing and could use your help. [For FISH service hours, please take a look at the items on this Amazon wish list.](#)

And, here's the link to log FISH hours with the school office. [Parents, please submit your FISH hours directly to the school office.](#)

Thank you for your consideration and support!



BETHANY LUTHERAN
Family Ministry

BUMPER BOWLING

JANUARY 25, 2026
12:30 - 2:20 P.M. SHARP

CAL BOWL
2500 E CARSON ROAD
LAKEWOOD, CA 90712

SIGN UP NOW!
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/BUMPERBOWLING](https://bit.ly/bumperbowling)

SPACE IS LIMITED!

BOWLING SHOE RENTALS ARE INCLUDED

QUESTIONS?
ASK ALISSA BREGE
ABREGE@BETHANYLUTHERAN.ORG

Only **\$5** Per Participant

QR Code

The flyer features a dark background with a city skyline at night. Several white bowling pins are scattered across the scene, some with red and white stripes. A bright yellow lightning bolt is in the upper right corner. A pink starburst graphic contains the price information. The text is in various colors: purple for the church name, blue for 'Family Ministry', green for 'BUMPER BOWLING', and pink for the price and 'SPACE IS LIMITED!'.



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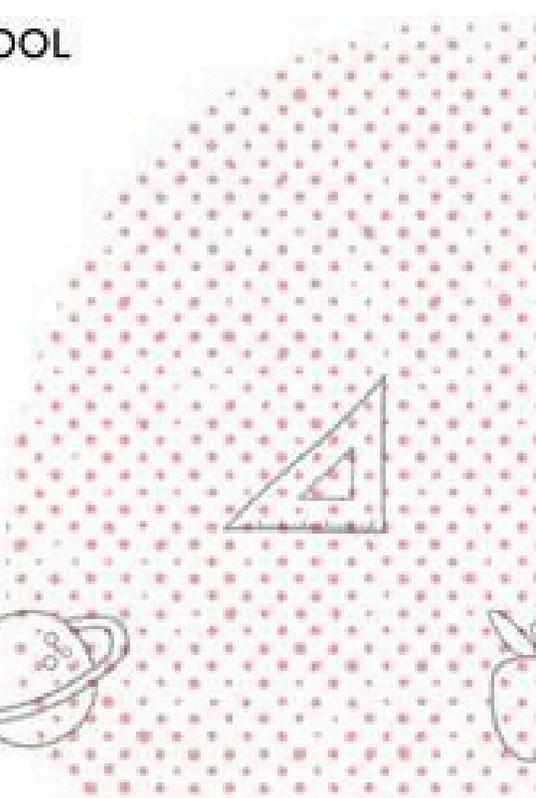


ORGANIZATION NAME: BETHANY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

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It's time to vote for the BEST!

www.scng.com/lbvotes

You'll need to vote in at least five categories...please vote BLS best in private school, preschool, elementary and middle school, and worship!

Voting ends FEBRUARY 1!

**NATIONAL
LUTHERAN
SCHOOLS
WEEK**

2026

K-8 STUDENTS

DRESS UP DAYS

LET'S MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

**MON.
JAN. 26**



"OLDIES" MUSIC DAY

Dress in styles from classic music eras—like 50s sock hops, 60s hippies, 70s disco, or 80s rock—and celebrate the sounds and styles of the past.

ROCKSTAR HAIR DAY

WITH NORMAL UNIFORM

Tease it, spray it, color it (temporarily), or spike it!
Go all rock 'n roll on your hair today.

**TUES.
JAN. 27**



**WED.
JAN. 28**



DISNEY JAM SESSION DAY

Wear your favorite Disney-themed t-shirt/outfit inspired by the magic of Disney music.

COUNTRY MUSIC DAY

Blue jeans, flannel shirts, overalls, and boots will make you a country superstar for the day.

**THURS.
JAN. 29**



**FRI.
JAN. 30**



CLASSICAL MUSIC DAY

Keep it classic by dressing in black and white like a music score—simple, classic, and always in style.

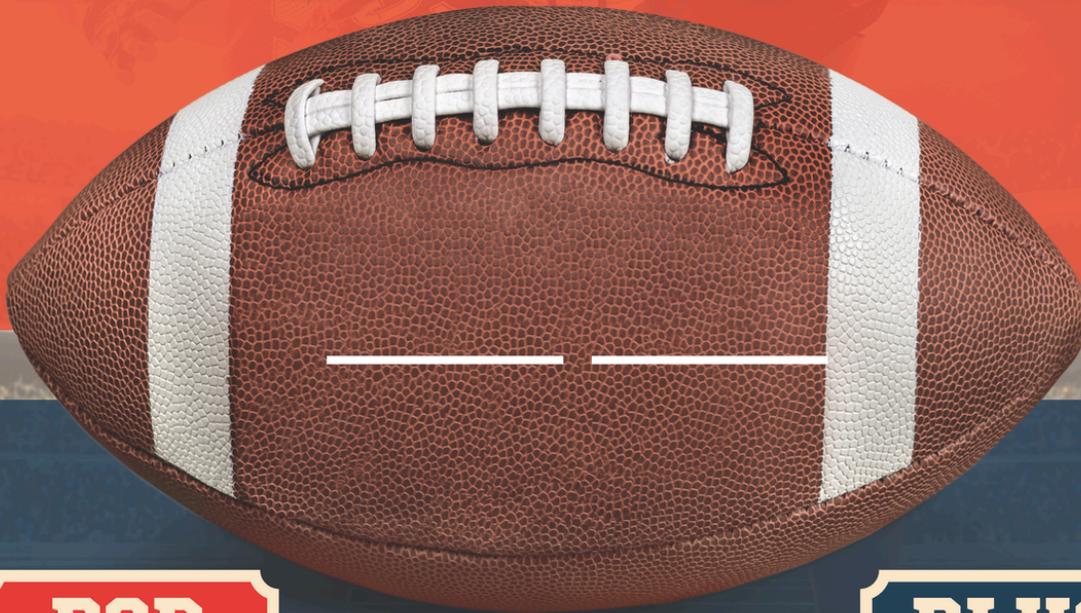
Dress up days are optional. If you do not wish to participate, please wear your normal uniform.



SUPERBOWL SUNDAY



LUNCH TO-GO



**Red
Team**

VS

**Blue
Team**

Skip cooking and support our high school youth! Order a grab-and-go sub lunch with optional game-day add-ons. Pickup is Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 8, with subs prepared fresh on Feb. 7.

**PICKUP FEB 8 | ORDERS CLOSE
FEB 4 AT MIDNIGHT**

**SCAN HERE FOR
THE ORDER FORM**



CONTACT KAYLEIGH LOPEZ WITH ??'S