

LITTLE SLICES OF ORANGE



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St. John's Lutheran School Weekly Newsletter

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Principal's Desk.....

Truly a GREAT Year! As we come to the completion of this school year the consensus of opinion shared with me is that it was a GREAT YEAR! Looking back there are countless examples of how God blessed St. John's as a whole as well as each of our students individually. Speaking on behalf of the faculty and myself, we would like to say thank you for the privilege of teaching your children. I pray all of our families enjoy the summer!! For those who are returning, see you on August 25th!!

We Have Openings: Sometimes there is the "perception" that St. John's is full! As an FYI, in the event you know of someone interested in sending their children to our school, we do have openings in several of our grade levels. For more information, please contact Jodi Holte in the school office.

Report Cards Mailed Out: In order to provide adequate time for preparing report cards, **ALL REPORT CARDS WILL BE MAILED OUT ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10TH.**

Balance in Your Account: If your account has an outstanding balance, please submit payment immediately. If you are not sure about your balance, please call the school office and speak with Roma.

PIP Hours Due: Parents, now that the school year is over, opportunities for PIP hours is also over. With this school year completed, we will be assessing the fee for unserved PIP hours. A letter will be arriving in the mail.

Athletic Physical Policy: THIS IS IMPORTANT! Effective for the 2009-10 School Year, any student participating in after school extra curricular sports will be required to have a sports physical. Forms are available both in the school office and on Angel. Athletes will not be permitted to participate without proper forms completed by parents and physician. Efforts are being made to provide this service by physicians acquainted with St. John's for those families who may not have the necessary insurance to cover this. Look for more information about the exact date in August.

Vacation Bible School is Coming: Just a reminder that it is not too late to sign up your children for St. John's VBS program. Contact the office at 714-288-4406.

Next School Year: We are putting together several "task force" groups on topics like - parents helping parents, co-curricular activities for students, marketing our school, school outreach/evangelism, Christian Learning curriculum, school financial planning, 3rd source funding, and establishing a St. John's alumni organization. Establishing these groups is in light of the goals and objectives established with "Visioning the Future" of our school and WASC. If you have knowledge and skills in any of these areas, please let me know. We will be pulling together individuals and moving forward as we start school in August.

May every one of your summer days be filled with the LOVE and JOY found in our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Blessings,
Mr. Einem

SCHOOL NOTES

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL ENROLLMENT UPDATE FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR: Don't forget.... We are in open enrollment for all grades. We are still offering a special incentive to our returning school families. **If you refer a new family for the 2009-2010 school year, and they are accepted and enrolled, you will receive a registration refund equal to that of the new family.** This is our way of saying thank you for being in partnership with us and sharing your love of the Lord and St. John's with others. For information regarding enrollment, please have them contact Jodi Holte at 714.288.4406.

➤ **MEDICATION REMINDER –** Parents, please pick up your children's medications by the last day of school, or in the school office after that. Nurse Pasco will dispose of any medications that are not picked up by July 1. All meds for next school year must be resubmitted with a new medication release form at the start of the new school year. **Thank you!**

- **ROOM PARENTS 2009/2010** – Anyone interested in becoming part of the Room Parent team for 2009/10, please contact Angela Ogaz for more information. angelaogaz@aol.com or 714-745-2829. It's a great way to be involved and to earn those PIP hours! **We could never do it without you!**
- **NEXT YEAR'S 6TH GRADERS** – If you haven't returned your **I to I laptop Financial Agreement**, please do so as possible. These are required to set up payment plans and training sessions this summer! Any questions, please call the school office.
- **SUMMER PIP HOUR OPPORTUNITY:** If you have trouble getting to school to do PIP hours, and you can do laundry at home, we have a job for you! One load of laundered used uniforms equals one PIP hour! Contact Kelly Medina at 714-558-8118 or kelly.medina@yahoo.com.
- **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!** : To our entire group of parent volunteers who come rain or shine and work lunch and playground duty, heartfelt thanks on behalf of all the teachers in grades 1 – 8. You have given us so much support and we do appreciate your commitment to our teachers, and our kids. Have a wonderful summer. See you in August for another great year. God's Blessings.
- **LOST AND FOUND:** A reminder to check the school office for lost and found items. We have jewelry, a Leapster Learning Game System, keys and a DS game, among the treasures!
- **OUTGROWN UNIFORMS:** In anticipation of the Used Uniform Sale in August, clean out your drawers & closets and bring those out-grown and no longer needed school uniforms to the school office.

Birthday Book Club- The newest members of **The Birthday Book Club!** Great big thanks to the following students who donated a book to our Birthday Book Club during the month of May. Happy Birthday and God Blessings! We are so pleased to announce that 137 Birthday Books were donated to the library this school year. Special thanks to all who donated a book.
Nicolas Gutierrez, Kindergarten Mrs. Warneke, Vulture View by Sayre
Natalie Miller, Gr. 7 Mrs. Frydendall, A Friendship for Today by McKissack

Kindergarten Caldecott Club - Three Cheers for **Samuel Grack, McKenna Goral, Reece Espinosa, Stuart Ledbetter, Lauren Fong, Trevor Torres, and Kate Dabrow** for completing 40 Caldecott Books during the school year! These students received a certificate of achievement and their pictures appeared on the Wall of Fame in the library. Congratulations!

ATHLETICS

- **SCHOOL PAPER DRIVE CONTINUES THROUGH THE SUMMER!** Our recycling bins are in the same place (adjacent to Bldg. B, Moreland Drive, by the trash enclosure) and beckon your old newspapers, magazines, and even your mail inserts like the grocery store ads and the Pennysaver, even cardboard. (flattened) Your recycling efforts keep funds flowing for the school sports program and provide the main ingredient to manufacture new newsprint!

CHURCH NOTES

- **ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY MUSIC CONSERVATORY:** The Summer Session of private instruction on instruments and voice begins the week of June 8. Sign up today! We also have Summer Musikgarten Programs. For information and a registration packet, please call Kathy Hayes in our Conservatory – 714-288-4433.
- **MUSIKGARTEN SUMMER:** Join us this summer, Mondays or Wednesdays, for classes filled with music, games, dance, rhythm, poetry and much more! The 8 classes begin the week of June 8 (we skip VBS week) from 11:10-11:40 a.m. Cost = \$75. Contact Kathy Hayes to sign up - 714-288-4433.
- **Til Tuesday BIBLE STUDY** - Tuesdays: JULY 7th - AUGUST 18TH: 7:00-8:30 PM in Walker Hall Dining Room. Til Tuesday is a Bible Study and small group discussion for all women. This summer we'll read Nicole Johnson's book "Dramatic Encounters with God". This book uses Scripture to talk about the 7 life changing lessons of LOVE. Space is limited so pre-registration is required! Contact Jennifer at 714-288-4419 or jstoehr@stjohnsorange.org to reserve a book or pick one up in the Courtyard or Cornerstone. Please read chapter one by the first meeting. Child care available by request. Call Susan at 714-288-4430 or email her at shaight@stjohnsorange.org to reserve a spot.
- **CONCERT SERIES EVENT:** On Sunday, June 7, at 7:00 p.m. St. John's will present a BACH CANTATA VESPERS CONCERT: "Gott ist mein Keonig (Cantata #71, "God Is My Sovereign") featuring our Cathedral Singers, Soloists and Orchestra, and Charles Raasch at the organ. There is no charge, nursery care for children under age 5 is available. A freewill offering will be taken. Bring a friend!

- **PERSEVERANCE: A LONG OBEDIENCE IN THE SAME DIRECTION:** Join the Sunrise Bible Study, led by Christine Lammers, Friday mornings from 6:30-7:30 in the Parlor of Walker Hall. We have just begun a study written by Eugene Peterson. For more information, please call Kathy Hayes –714-288-4433.
- **Side by Side women’s bible study** will begin September 14, 2009. Three women explored their lives and the life of David. You’ll laugh with them, cry with them and learn to love God with them. For twelve weeks come and join the women of St. John’s as we learn from Priscilla Shirer, Beth Moore and Kay Arthur how to be “Anointed, Transformed and Redeemed A Study of David”. Side by Side meets Mondays at 7:00pm and Tuesdays at 12 noon (childcare is available for Tuesday s) Contact Jeannine Lawrie at 714-282-0136 or lawriejj@sbcglobal.net for days or Kathi Portland at 714-282-4667 or Portland@lhsoc.org for nights or sign up at www.stjohnsorange.org.
- **Is Contemporary Christian Music your thing?** Do you love the music on the FISH, or find yourself singing along to Chris Tomlin on your iPod? If you have the gift of music (either instrumental or vocal) and are looking for a way to use that gift to bless others (even if your gift is a little rusty right now), we invite you to audition for the Contemporary Worship Team August 12th & 13th! Check us out and let us know how you would like to serve our Lord through music. Prior to try-outs, contact Contemporary Worship for an information packet that includes music and audition details. chiggins@stjohnsorange.org or 714.288.4433

We rejoice at the gift from anonymous donors that allows us to make the following position available:

DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL ADVANCEMENT

St. John’s Lutheran Church has established a new position and is seeking candidates for the position of Director of Congregational Advancement. This position would be an advocate for our ministry in our congregation and in the community, establishing a marketing and public relations plan to communicate St. John’s message and mission. It would work in partnership with the church and school groups, establish and develop a yearly alumni campaign, build a planned giving program, schedule seminars and provide educational tools for members. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to jwillett@stjohnsorange.org. A complete job description, which includes preferred qualifications, may be requested.

**Have a safe and relaxing summer!
See you on August 25th!**

