

Bear Facts

The Weekly Newsletter of Bethany Lutheran School Long Beach, CA <u>www.bethanylutheran.org</u> Communication+Responsibility+Organization+Service+Sharing





Our fourth graders had quite the adventurous Sacramento trip last week! This was our first overnight trip and the students and parents got to see SO much:

- State capitol building and grounds
- Sutter's Fort
- California Railroad Museum
- Old Town Sacramento and the Old School House
- Nimbus Fish Hatchery
- James Marshall Gold Discovery Park
- Gold Bug Mine in Placerville

This trip also included an unplanned overnight stay at the Sacramento airport because their return flight was cancelled at the last minute! I was SO PROUD of our students, their parents and our awesome teacher, Ms. Imes, for making the best of the situation! One of the parents bought a Bluetooth speaker so the kids could have a dance party. The students also played charades, had LOTS of Starbucks and made the best of it. A couple of other parents bought every single travel pillow and blanket in the gift shop so kids could get some sleep. 😳

I'm sure the students will never forget this unexpected twist, and it was such a great life lesson, because travel OFTEN comes with unexpected changes that lead to memorable experiences!

Blessed to be at Bethany, Dr. Fink



THANK YOU to our Block Party Committee and to our wonderful parent volunteers for a FUN afternoon!

Are You Ready to go back in time to the ancient City of Rome?

Join us for Vacation Bible School 2018 the week of **June 18-22.** This year our VBS program is a **family program** that will take place in the **evening from 5:30-7:30PM**. Dinner will be served each evening from 5:00-5:30PM.

This year's Vacation Bible School theme is Rome! Paul and the Underground *Church.* Your family won't just hear about Paul; they will feel like they have stepped into Bible history to visit him and see some of the trials and challenges of the New Testament Church. Your family will learn about God's love and how it is a beautiful and free gift that changes us, saves us, and always goes with us. Join us as we take a step back in time and experience the lifegiving love of God! While we strongly encourage families to attend together, it is our goal to have at least one grown up (parent, grandparent or guardian) with children at all times at Rome VBS.

See the VBS info attached to today's Bear Facts. Hope to see you there!



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©May 23-5th Grade State Fair [©]May 28-Memorial Day-No School [©]May 29-Primary Music Recital 6:30 PM ©June 1-Vicki Marsha Road Show-2:30-5:00 ©June 1-Sports Awards 6:30 PM ©June 3-8th Grade Graduation-4:00 PM ©June 7-Last Day of School-Minimum Day ⊖August 19 and 22-Family Classroom Visits OAugust 28 (Tues.)-First Day of School for 2018-2019!



+ Chapel Leaders + May 23-Missionary Britt Odemba May 30-Mrs. Dahlin June7 (Thurs.)-Pastor K. Chapel is at 9:00 in the church. Parents, you are always welcome to join us!

Vicki Marsha Uniform Sale

Here at Bethany June 1, 2:30-5:00





The FISHin' Hole *Opportunities to Serve*

Did you help out at the Bethany Block Party? Don't forget to log your FISH hours (you can use a form, the website or the Bethany app!) so we can give you credit!

Cook's Night Out Join your Bethany family at Panera Bread tomorrow night, May 23! Don't forget your flyer!



Did you know you can preorder next year's school supplies??

We're partnering with ClassBundl Supplies again this year to keep your back-to-school shopping simple and rewarding. Order your child's entire school supply list in one pre-bundled order at ClassBundl.com!

Ordering is easy:

- 1. Search for Bethany Lutheran School at ClassBundl.com/Order
- 2. Select your pre-bundled supplies.
- 3. Place your order!



It is a privilege to give back to Jesus a part of what He has given us! Here are the projects we supported this year and the amount we collected for each:

August/September: Fikisha \$451.84

October: Phil's Friends \$396.54 (and MANY cheer notes for cancer patients!)

November:

Operation Christmas Child-\$1010.17 (and MANY shoeboxes full of gifts!)

December:

Lutheran Social Services \$318.45 (and MANY hygiene kits!)

January: Joy Class

\$358.79

February: Lutheran Special Ed \$1187.53

March: Habitat for Humanity \$291.81

April: Convoy of Hope \$273.55

May and June's offerings will go to Orphan Grain Train

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual **RAISE A GLASS** event is planned for **Saturday, September 29, 2018!** We will be back at the Gaslamp with an exciting array of auction items in this larger space that allows for more "Friends of Student Success" and more to come! RAISE A GLASS is a unique annual Bethany fund raising event and is the major means to support our Student Success Program! Please add this date to your calendar and consider inviting other friends and family to help celebrate and support SSP! For information about SSP, please contact Mrs. Jill Moorman at jmoorman@bethanylutheran.org. See you there!

Scrip

Vicki Marsha Uniforms will be on campus June 1 to measure and take orders for Bethany school uniforms. Purchase Vicki Marsha Uniform Scrip this week for the Early Bird Sale, and save even more when you buy uniforms for next year. Vicki Marsha Scrip is available in \$20 increments with a 6% rebate.

Celebrate Class of 2018 graduates with gifts from Bethany Scrip/Gift cards. Top Scrip gift cards for graduates are: Amazon.com, American Express, Barnes & Noble, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Kohl's, Panera Bread, Starbucks, Shutterfly, Target and Visa. Choose Scrip/gift cards that graduates can use to add to their wardrobe, go to their favorite place to eat, or get dorm essentials.

Going to a wedding? Shop from a wedding registry using Scrip/Gift cards from Bed, Bath & Beyond, Crate & Barrel, Macy's or Target. Don't want to shop? Give them the gift cards and let them choose their own gift!

Think ahead to Father's Day, we have gift cards for every Dad! Let us help you choose something for the handyman, well-dressed or hard-to-shop-for Dad.

Graduations, Weddings, and Father's Day are all good opportunities to purchase gift cards from Bethany Scrip and increase your rebate for next year.





Get back to summer with easy online school supply shopping.

Avoid crowded back-to-school aisles by ordering pre-bundled, classroom-specific supplies online with ClassBundl. Our school earns 5% cash back and you get a little more summer back. Order before June 17 to get up to 40% off your order!*

*Discount applied to suggested retail price on select bundles.

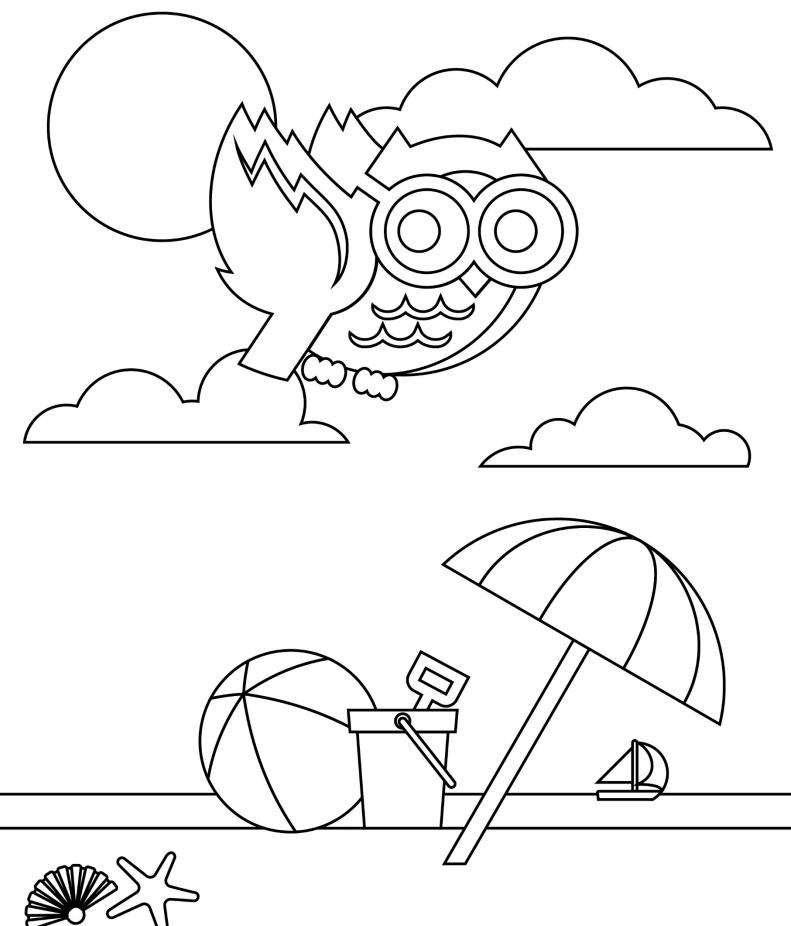


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Say hello to a colorful new year with ClassBundl!



Join us for a one-of-a-kind Bible experience!

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VBS FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM

Important: One form per FAMILY. Copies may be made of this form if needed.

*Please Print Clearly

Family's Last Name			
Parent(s) First Name(s):			
<u>Child's Name:</u>	Grade for next year:	Date of Birth:	Baptized?
		//	Yes / No
		//	Yes / No
		//	Yes / No
		//	Yes / No
		//	Yes / No
Church Our Family Attends:		Members of that Church?	Yes / No

Family Contact Information: Street Address			
City	Zip		
Home Phone ()	Cell phone ()	Text? Yes / No
E-Mail Address			
In Case of Emergency: Contact Person:	Relationsh	nip to Family:	
Emergency Contact's Phone: ()		

