



# Bear Facts

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



One of the many important life lessons we can teach our kids (and ourselves) is that we are in control of our attitudes. Barring any bodily chemical imbalances, we are in charge of how we react to life's little surprises! Chuck Swindoll, pastor and author, said it this way:

*"The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude to me is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, gifted ability, or skill. It will make or break a company, a church, a home.*

*The remarkable thing is that we have a choice everyday regarding the attitude we will embrace that day. We cannot change our past, we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing that we can do is play on the one string that we have and this string is...attitude. I am convinced that life is ten percent what happens to me and ninety percent how I react to it. And so it is with you....we are in charge of our attitudes."*

Kids need to know this, too, as they face hard days. Life in the classroom and on the playground can be rough sometimes, but the attitude kids choose in tough times can make all the difference in the world and the ability to make a choice empowers them!

*Working on my attitude, too,  
Dr. Fink*



*Congratulations to the following students, who earned a spot on the First Quarter Principal's List with GPAs between 3.7 and 4.0:*

Eli Anema, Jake Antonio, Norah Vu, Ava Hidalgo, Jagger Simon, Grant Parker, Kaylee Cuizon, Christian Haro, **\*Brayden Huynh, \*Wyatt Barker, \*Gianna Hunter-Palomares**, Payton Wallace-Caine, Ben Luu, Lucas Raya, Jamie Long, Charlie Peck, Diana Huynh, Miles Jump, **\*Austin Tonsay, \*Autumn Knox, \*Ryder DeLuca, \*Allyson Richter, \*Sienna Deeble, \*Kelli Palacios, \*Cole Medina, \*Chaz Medina, \*Jasmine Rambo**, Samantha Atkinson, Isaac Brooks, Michael Palacios, Weston Parker, **\*Emma Olsen**, Alexis Munoz, Gabriella Hernandez, Emma Barker, Marcus Vander Horck, Caleb O'Conner, Isaiah Youngblood, Mahak Gupta and Nolan Takle.

**\*\*4.0 GPA**

*And, congratulations to the following students, who earned a spot on the First Quarter Honor Roll with GPAs between 3.30 and 3.69:*

Madison Farley, Robert Hernandez, Nolan Cerulle, Cooper Ryskamp, Devin Cordova, Kate Newton, Tyler DeJongh, Mia Kabacinski, Garret Morgensen, Grace Porte, Timothy O'Conner, Nicholas Roberts, Maya Peavler, Anthony Corona, Joseph Kabacinski, Jake Wallerstedt, Jonathan Goebel, Caitlin Nelson, Laci Carlson, London Perez, Aensli Ruiz, Taylor Alexander, Carson Potts, Jacob Clagett and Angelina Attia

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## DON'T FORGET

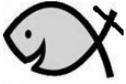
- ☺Nov. 6-8 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp
- ☺Nov. 11-Veteran's Day-No School
- ☺Nov. 15-Operation Christmas Child Packing Event
- ☺Nov. 17-Trinity and Troubadour sing, 8:00 and 9:30
- ☺Nov. 22-Grandparents and Special Friends Day-Minimum Day
- ☺Nov. 25-29 Thanksgiving Break
- ☺Dec. 8-Bethany's 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Concert!!!!
- ☺Dec. 9-13 Christmas Store
- ☺Dec. 9-13 Scholastic Book Fair
- ☺Dec. 18-K-2 Christmas Program

## Chapel Leaders

- Nov. 6-Mr. Fink
  - Nov. 13-Chaplain Ayers
  - Nov. 22-Grandparents' Day-Pastor Kritzer
- Parents, you are always welcome to join us!*

Would you like a Bethany75th Anniversary Christmas ornament? We have them for sale here in the school office!





The FISHin' Hole  
*Opportunities to Serve*

We will need parent volunteers for our Operation Christmas Child packing event, Grandparents' Day (serving food) and the Christmas Store. These are great opportunities to get involved and knock out some of those FISH hours!

*"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Col 3:17*

Need to shred some personal papers? Geoff Delahanty of Thrivent is putting on a **Shred-It Event:**

Saturday, Nov. 16, 10-12  
4909 Lakewood Blvd.  
*Maximum 2 boxes per family.*

RSVP to [Janeen.Handy@Thrivent.com](mailto:Janeen.Handy@Thrivent.com)



Our chapel offerings for November will go to Operation Christmas Child. Here's some info about this project:

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

**New Parent Prayer Group!**

Would you like to help lift our students, families and staff in prayer with other praying parents? We will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month in the EDC room at 8:35 AM.



**ShopWithScrip.com** users can increase their tuition rebate by ordering Scrip online when our Scrip vendor offers bonus rebates. Watch for bonus rebates by checking **ShopWithScrip.com/BonusRebates** every week. You can also stay up to date on bonuses by subscribing to *ShopWithScrip* emails (log into [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com) >Dashboard>Profile>check the box), or "Like" *ShopWithScrip* on Facebook to see bonus alerts, surprise 24-hour bonuses, and more.

Sign up for *ShopWithScrip* soon to take advantage of **ThanksScriping Day** on November 21. It is a huge event that only happens three times a year. Earn the biggest bonus rebates of the season on dozens of eGift cards and reloads for one day only.

Great Lakes Scrip Center has found that families using *ShopWithScrip* earn 31% more than families that only purchase plastic gift cards. That percentage jumps to 45% if they reload their cards online.

Grandparents, other family members, and friends can also create a *ShopWithScrip* account and purchase Scrip to earn more money for your Scrip rebate.

The Bethany Lutheran Enrollment code is: 1BL8EE69719L. You can even pay with a credit card!

**Club 35 (Grades 3-5)**

All 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade youth are invited to the next Club 35 meeting on...

**Wednesday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:00PM**

Club 35 will continue to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 6-7pm in the Multipurpose Room #215.

**\*2020 Dates are posted on the Club 35 page Bethany's Website. –**  
Katelyn True, [ktrue@bethanylutheran.org](mailto:ktrue@bethanylutheran.org)

Happy New Year!

Wait, we just had Halloween, how can it be New Year's already? Maybe it's just me, but that's how this time of year feels to me – it's a very quick slide from now till the end of the year and these next 2 months are a blur as we rush around trying to get everything done and make it all "just right". Before you know it, it's 2020 and we're off to a New Year. It stresses me out to no end and I often lose the fun of the holidays in all the "must do's". So, this year, I'm going to focus on what makes this season FUN and special, and put my energies towards those things. Cooking family recipes, watching movies with blankets and cocoa, driving around and looking at pretty lights, listening to beautiful music fill my heart and ears. The must-do's will just have to wait, because I only have a certain number of minutes in my day and minutes with my kiddos and family, and I choose to spend them wisely. I hope as you go rushing into these next 2 months, you pause to make time for the things that matter to you most and spend your minutes and attention with them. Happy Thanksgiving Christmas New Year's, friends!

*-Jen Carlson, PTL President*

## Middle School Corner

This week the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class will enjoy a three-day, outdoor educational experience at The Oaks Camp near Lake Hughes. The Genesis Account, a Christian outdoor education program, will provide a counselor who will lead the group in team building, ecology, botany, survival, astronomy and exploring God's creations.

Bethany's educational overnight trips provide opportunities for students to learn outside of the classroom setting, gain confidence in themselves through new experiences and the chance to build life-long memories with their classmates. We thank the Lord for this opportunity and pray for His blessings and protection over this week's trip.

"It is a joy to attend camp with our amazing students, and to see them face new challenges, persevere and enjoy being outdoors!" – Mrs. Evans, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Operation Christmas Child

For over 40 years, Samaritan's Purse has done their utmost to follow Christ's command by going to the aid of the world's poor, sick, and suffering. They have reached hurting people in countries around the world with food, medicine, shelter, and other assistance in the Name of Jesus Christ. Shortly after Hurricane Dorian struck the Bahamas, a mobile hospital unit was put in place and continues to serve residents with serious injuries and illnesses in the wake of the Category 5 storm. As teams work in crisis areas of the world, people often ask, "Why did you come?" The answer is always the same: "We have come to help you in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ." Our ministry is all about Jesus - first, last, and always.

For the month of November, we are collecting chapel offerings to help offset the cost of shipping the boxes.

Our ALL SCHOOL PACKING PARTY is on Friday, November 15. We'll need parent help all afternoon....please consider joining us!!

Thanks for your support!



*Please join us for*

## Bethany Lutheran Church's Annual Thanksgiving Feast

**Sunday, November 17, 5:00 PM**

Bethany's Board of Elders will supply the turkey and the ham!

Bring your own table settings and two of the following:  
Salad, vegetable or dessert

Special kids' event after dinner!  
Hope to see you there!

*Thanksgiving  
Dinner*

## COOK'S NIGHT OUT IS BACK!!

Please join your Bethany family and friends, support our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to DC and take the night off from cooking at...

**Chipotle**  
**Wednesday, Nov. 6**  
*Bring the attached flyer!!*





## Jog-a-thon 2019 Winners

### Most Laps:

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Winners in each class:** Mateo Brown, Elias Gagne, Austin Christie, Aiden Wallace-Caine, Benjamin Evans, Grant Parker & Cooper Ryskamp, Charlie Peck, Weston Parker, Scott DeJongh

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winners in each class:** Isaac Albers & Olivia Sanchez, Nathan Haro, Nixon Szych, Jack Peck, Kingston Benard, Christian Haro, Wyatt Barker & Carter Wegman, Cole Medina, Caleb O'Conner

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winners in each class:** Kaidence Frazier, Henry Cerulle, Ezra Anema & Noah Wegman, Jacob Murdock, Trevor Torres, Nolan Cerulle, Timothy O'Conner, Cameron Hinshaw, Emma Barker

### Most funds raised by class (popcorn and silly string party!):

1<sup>st</sup> Grade , 4<sup>th</sup> Grade and 6<sup>th</sup> Grades!!

### A trip to Creamistry with Dr. Fink for raising at least \$300:

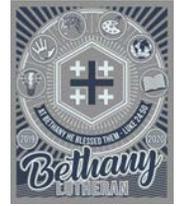
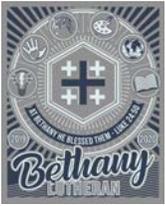
Demiana Abdo, Mateo Brown, Alyssa Flores, Holly Peck, Lukas Flores, Elias Gagne, Lila Trump, Daniel Tsong Tommy Briles, Austin Christie, Brooke Austin, Sofia Brown, Sarah Kibe, Jacob Murdock, Jack Peck, Jacob Ayala, Jaiden Beatty, Joseph Bowers, Hunter Deeble, Blake Menchaca, Axel Simon, Trevor Torres, Nolan Cerulle, Tyler DeJongh, Grant Parker, Jagger Simon, Brayden Huynh, Miles Jump, Charlie Peck, London Perez, Jenna Walleman, Sienna Deeble, Weston Parker, Scott DeJongh

### Highest Earner (and Principal/PE Teacher for a Day):

Lukas Flores!!

**You raised \$37,413.66! Way to go, Bethany Bears!!!!**

# 2019-2010 Theme T-shirt/Sweatshirt Order



## T-shirts (\$15)

*Indicate quantity:*

Youth X-Sm.(4)    Youth Sm.(6/8)    Youth Med. (10/12)    Youth Lg. (14/16)  
 Adult Sm.    Adult Med.    Adult Lg.    Adult X-Lg.  
 Adult 2X (+\$3)    Adult 3X (+3)    Adult 4X (+\$3)    Adult 5X (+\$3)

**Total cost for t-shirts:** \_\_\_\_\_



## \*Long Sleeve T-shirts (\$20)

*Indicate quantity:*

Youth X-Sm.(4)    Youth Sm.(6/8)    Youth Med. (10/12)    Youth Lg. (14/16)  
 Adult Sm.    Adult Med.    Adult Lg.    Adult X-Lg.  
 Adult 2X (+\$3)    Adult 3X (+3)    Adult 4X (+\$3)    Adult 5X (+\$3)

**Total cost for long-sleeve t-shirts:** \_\_\_\_\_



These are ladies' cut... if  
in doubt, order a size  
larger than you normally  
wear.

## \*Ladies' V-neck T-shirts (\$18)

*Indicate quantity:*

Adult Sm.    Adult Med.    Adult Lg.    Adult X-Lg.  
 Adult 2X (+\$3)    Adult 3X (+3)    Adult 4X (+\$3)

**Total cost for V-neck t-shirts:** \_\_\_\_\_



## \*\*Crew-neck sweatshirts (\$25)

*Indicate quantity:*

*(For youth sizes, order one size up from youth t-shirt size)*

Youth Sm.    Youth Med.    Youth Lg.    Youth X-Lg.  
 Adult Sm.    Adult Med.    Adult Lg.    Adult X-Lg.  
 Adult 2X (+\$3)    Adult 3X (+3)    Adult 4X (+\$3)    Adult 5X (+\$3)

**Total cost for crew-neck sweatshirts:** \_\_\_\_\_

*More on the back... ..*



**\*\*Hooded pullover sweatshirts (\$29)**

*Indicate quantity:*

*(For youth sizes, order one size up from youth t-shirt size)*

\_\_\_\_ Youth Sm. \_\_\_\_ Youth Med. \_\_\_\_ Youth Lg. \_\_\_\_ Youth X-Lg.  
\_\_\_\_ Adult Sm. \_\_\_\_ Adult Med. \_\_\_\_ Adult Lg. \_\_\_\_ Adult X-Lg.  
\_\_\_\_ Adult 2X (+\$3) \_\_\_\_ Adult 3X (+3) \_\_\_\_ Adult 4X (+\$3) \_\_\_\_ Adult 5X (+\$3)

**Total cost for hooded sweatshirts:**



**\*\*Full-zip-front hooded sweatshirts (\$32)**

*Indicate quantity:*

*(For youth sizes, order one size up from youth t-shirt size)*

\_\_\_\_ Youth Sm. \_\_\_\_ Youth Med. \_\_\_\_ Youth Lg. \_\_\_\_ Youth X-Lg.  
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\_\_\_\_ Adult 2X (+\$3) \_\_\_\_ Adult 3X (+3) \_\_\_\_ Adult 4X (+\$3) \_\_\_\_ Adult 5X (+\$3)

**Total cost for full-zip-front sweatshirts:**

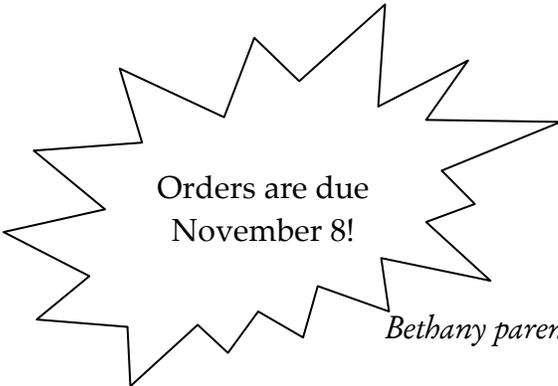
**Totals:**

T-shirts-\$\_\_\_\_  
Long-sleeve t-shirts-\$\_\_\_\_  
V-neck t-shirts-\$\_\_\_\_  
Crew sweatshirts-\$\_\_\_\_  
Hooded sweatshirts-\$\_\_\_\_  
Zip-front sweatshirts-\$\_\_\_\_

**GRAND TOTAL-\$\_\_\_\_**

*Bethany parents, we will charge your FACTS account for your order.*

Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



Orders are due  
November 8!

*\*K-8 students may wear this year's theme t-shirts and long-sleeve t-shirts on Fridays.*

*\*\*K-8 students may wear sweatshirts on both uniform- and uniform-free days.*

# SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Bethany Lutheran School. Come in to the Chipotle at **5310 Lakewood Blvd.** in Lakewood on **Wednesday, November 6th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Bethany Lutheran School.



Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

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