

St. Martin Lutheran School

NOVEMBER MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Perusing the internet I came across some great advice on working with your kids on homework. Here are some tips to guide the way:

1. **Know the teachers — and what they're looking for.** Attend school events, such as parent-teacher conferences, to meet your child's teachers. Ask about their homework policies and how you should be involved.
2. **Set up a homework-friendly area.** Make sure kids have a well-lit place to complete homework. Keep supplies — paper, pencils, glue, scissors — within reach.
3. **Schedule a regular study time.** Some kids work best in the afternoon, following a snack and play period; others may prefer to wait until after dinner.
4. **Help them make a plan.** On heavy homework nights or when there's an especially hefty assignment to tackle, encourage your child break up the work into manageable chunks. Create a work schedule for the night if necessary — and take time for a 10-minute break every 1/2 hour, if possible.
5. **Keep distractions to a minimum.** This means no TV, loud music, or phone calls. (Occasionally, though, a phone call to a classmate about an assignment can be helpful.)
6. **Make sure kids do their own work.** They won't learn if they don't think for themselves and make their own mistakes. Parents can make suggestions and help with directions. But it's a kid's job to do the learning.
7. **Be a motivator and monitor.** Ask about assignments, quizzes, and tests. Give encouragement, check completed homework, and make yourself available for questions and concerns.
8. **Set a good example.** Do your kids ever see you diligently balancing your budget or reading a book? Kids are more likely to follow their parents' examples than their advice.
9. **Praise their work and efforts.** Post an aced test or art project on the refrigerator. Mention academic achievements to relatives.
10. **If there are continuing problems with homework, get help.** Talk about it with your child's teacher. Some kids have trouble seeing the board and may need glasses; others might need an evaluation for a learning problem or attention disorder.

On a lighter note, last Christmas when my parents were down in Florida. My brothers and I redid their house to make it more age friendly, and dismantled the learning area my parents had set up for us. It brought back plenty of great memories and made for great discussions with my brothers. It was great help to us, but I think my brother Jim still owes one of his teachers an assignment. May God bless you in success with working with your children and homework.

In Christ,
Mr. Moran

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NOVEMBER:

- 2 School Picture Retake Day – remember picture pkg. & fee-9:30 am
- 9 Parent/Teacher Conferences – 4:00 to 8:00 pm
- 10 NO SCHOOL – Parent/Teacher Conferences – 8:00 to 1:00
- 22-24 NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break
- 27-28 SCHOOL CHOICE ~ Auditors will be here all day

SINGING SCHEDULE:

Nov. 5 ~ 10:30 am – Gr. 7&8 & Chimes
Nov. 12 ~ 8:00 am – Gr. 5&6 & Chimes
Nov. 12 ~ 10:30 am – ECLC
Dec. 10 ~ 10:30 am – Preschool & 4K
Dec. 13 ~ 7:00 pm – Advent Service Gr. 5-8
Dec. 20 ~ 7:00 pm – Advent Service Gr. K-4



BASKETBALL SCHEDULE ~~ Please watch the Happenings for changes.

St. Martin Members can view the Athletic calendar by going to our website www.stmlc.org, click on the school tab, click athletic calendar, then click on view athletic calendar.

School Families ~ check Fast Direct under Athletics Calendar for times and changes also.

Students After School: Basketball players and cheerleaders need to leave the building when not involved in a practice. If you have arrangement with a teacher to get assistance on school work, then you may be in that teacher's classroom until 4:00. After 4:00 you should leave the building and return 15 minutes before your practice begins. If you have any questions, please contact Principal Moran.

FEVER GUIDELINES:

- Students with a temp greater than or equal to 100 cannot remain in class. They are considered contagious.
- Students **cannot return to school** until their temperature is less than 100 for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.

SANTA'S WORKSHOP~

St. Martin Lutheran School will be holding a Santa's Workshop on Thursday, December 14, 2017. Santa's Workshop is an opportunity for our students to "go shopping" for Christmas presents here at school. Here is how it will work. We have invited local businesses and crafters to set up tables of items that will be marked at \$10.00 or less for our children to buy as Christmas presents. The children can purchase gifts for individuals of all ages. The children will come into the gym by grade to shop for gifts. We will have people available to help the children select and wrap their purchases. This is not a fundraiser for the school. It is an opportunity for the children to feel good about themselves by being able to buy gifts for their families.

MOMS Group is helping with the Santa's Workshop this year. They are looking for vendors with crafty items in the price range up to \$5.00 but no more than \$10.00. They are also looking for volunteers to help wrap the gifts for the students. If you want more information or willing to help, please contact Janet Genskow at 715-853-7303.

Church Attendance Policy Reminder: For members of St. Martin Lutheran Church who send their children to their congregation's school, the Church Attendance Policy is in effect from June 1 through May 31 each year. Report cards will only list attendance during the school year (Sunday, Sept. 3 to Sunday, May 28). Students are required to attend 26 or more worship services in order to receive the member school fees discount. **Please remember to sign the Fellowship Pad, that is the only way we are recording attendance.** For more information, view the policy in the Parent and Student Handbook published on the school web site at www.stmlc.org or ask at the office for a copy of the policy. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

PHONE USE: The phone in the office is for emergency or special needs calls only. Students who are permitted to use the telephone will need to log in by signing their name and state the reason for the call. Arrangement for rides after school and after school activities need to be made the day before. Students who abuse this telephone privilege will lose it. Thank you.

MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE SCHOOL ~ SCRIP PROGRAM:

- ❖ Buy retail gift cards through our scrip program at face value.
- ❖ Our organization buys the gift cards at 2-15% less than face value depending on the retailer
- ❖ The difference between face value and what our organization pays is our organization's earnings. Last year our earnings were \$25,508.00. Half went to PTL and the other half was divided into the buyer's choice of funds: Church, Tuition Aid, Student Aid of Choice, Technology Fund, Playground Equipment, Band & Music Department, St. Martin Early Childhood Center or Cash Back.
- ❖ Over 700 brands to choose from so you can use Scrip on practically every purchase including gas, groceries, dining out, household expenses, travel and entertainment.
- ❖ Families can buy Scrip cards at the Scrip table before or after school or in the office during scheduled hours. Wednesdays before church and Sundays between church services.
- ❖ You can also order online and if paid for with Presto Pay you can print your cards on your own computer from home.
- ❖ Paying with gift cards keeps families safe from credit card fraud.
- ❖ No upfront costs and no middleman taking a cut. Our organization receives every penny we earn. It sure beats selling candy bars, magazines, wrapping paper, cookies or pizzas.

Church and School families: *If you are not already participating in the Scrip program please feel free to ask any questions and let us help you get started. If you have any questions about Scrip, please contact Scrip coordinator, Teresa Wolf at 920-410-1798 or go to the website www.shopwithscrip.com.*

Consider Donating to Help a Family: There is always a need to help families send their children to St. Martin Lutheran School. The past several years the St. Martin Lutheran School tuition and fees for members and community families have increased. It is getting more expensive for the parents to send their children here. It is also getting more expensive for the congregation to support their mission school.

I am asking grandmas, grandpas, and friends of the school to support St. Martin Lutheran School in two ways. First, if you are able to do so, give more generously to the Church General Fund of the church. The church general fund helps pay for salaries, benefits, heat, utilities and more. Second, if you are able to do so, give to one or more of the scholarship funds that help families pay tuition and fees so that they are able to send their children to St. Martin Lutheran School. Not all families are able to pay the full amount for all of their children.

This is where God moves the heart of some people to give generously to one the five different scholarship sources. They are:

- St. Martin Student Assistance Fund
- SSG Warren S Hansen Memorial Endowment Fund
- Arno and Eleanor Olson St. Martin Scholarship Endowment Fund
- Florence E. Caskey Education Fund
- Board of Lay Ministry for Kindergarten Students

Their gifts make up the difference between what a family owes and what that family is able to pay. So that by the end of the school year all school fees and tuition are collected and transferred to the church general fund. None of the scholarship or tuition assistance money mentioned in the funds above ever come from the church or school budget.

Pray about it! If so moved, then give to the church general fund and/or one of the tuition assistance scholarship funds. Contact Principal Moran 715-823-6538, ext. 2113 or www.stmlc.org to donate or ask any questions.

Y.I. Stamp Program

Youth Investment stamp program is a fun, simple way for children to learn the basics of saving and investing while helping churches and schools share the Good News of Jesus with others. **Y.I. Stamp is available every Wednesday from 7:50 to 8:10 a.m.** If you have any questions contact Mrs. Jerabek.

MEDICATION GIVEN AT SCHOOL: The staff at St. Martin took a School Meds class for private schools online this last year. There are new guidelines we need to follow. Medication should be brought to the office by the parents or legal guardian, along with the completed medication form that was handed out at school registration. Medicine will be dispensed only from the office, where it will be logged and kept in a locked container. The office **does NOT supply** any medicine such as Tylenol, Ibuprofen, etc. **Prescription Meds:** we need to have it in the original bottle with child's name, time to give medicine, dosage, name of medicine, physician's name and medication form signed by physician. **Non-Prescription Meds:** **ONLY IF THE CHILD REALLY NEEDS IT DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.** We need to have it in the original container with child's name, time to give medicine, dosage, and medication form signed by parent or legal guardian. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 823-6538 ext. 2112.

If you are sending cough drops for your child, please only send the amount they can have during the school hours, not the whole bag. Please read the instructions on the bag what your child can have.

NOTICE FOR SCHOOL CLOSINGS DUE TO BAD WEATHER:

(If Clintonville School District is closed, we are also closed.) Please tune in the following radio stations:
WFCL 1380 AM/WJMQ 92.3 FM/WTCH 960 AM/WOWN 99.3 FM- Clintonville and Shawano
WIXX 101.1 FM/WGEE 1360 AM – Green Bay
WDUX 800 AM/92.7 FM – Waupaca
OR TV Stations:
WLUK-TV Ch 11, WFRV-TV Ch 5, WBAY-TV Ch 2, NBC-TV Ch 26.

Please do not call radio stations, police department, schools, teachers or bus garage as their LINES MUST REMAIN OPEN to receive emergency information!!! In the event school opens and has to be called off during the day, please make sure your children know where they are to go before they leave the house in the morning. For younger children, please send a note to inform the teacher or the office as to who is to pick up and care for the student in this situation.

OFFICE HOURS OVER THE HOLIDAYS

November 23 & 24 – Office Closed

December 26 – Office Closed

December 27– Office open from 8:00 am to Noon

December 28 & 29 – Office open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

January 1 – Office Closed

**IF SCHOOL GETS CALLED OFF DUE TO WEATHER,
THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ALSO.**

CHAPEL NEWS:

Once again this year, the students at St. Martins Lutheran School will be supporting a young 8 year old boy named Yogi by collecting chapel offerings to provide him with the following things most kids today take for granted every day: food, an education, school supplies, and a chance to get to know Jesus as his savior. Yogi lives in India and will turn 9 on February 8. He loves to go to school, but unfortunately his family only makes between \$35 to \$40 US dollars a month. This does not provide enough money for sufficient food for Yogi, his brother, and parents, much less for an education and school supplies.

Yogi is one of the blessed ones. Through our support with November's chapel offerings, we will help supply him with the things he needs. It costs \$1.15 a day, \$35 a month, or \$420 a year to sponsor Yogi! We can help him make sure he does not go to bed or school hungry and that he has pencils and paper and other school supplies to learn and grow as well as write letters to us to share his gratitude and progress in life & his faith. But most importantly, we can give Yogi the chance to know how loved he is not only by St. Martins Lutheran School, but also by Jesus Christ his savior. Last year we were able to raise \$378 to help Yogi. This year let's see if we can surpass that to raise \$420 to provide a full year of support and learning for Yogi, a child of God, just like us!



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St. Martin Lutheran School Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 YI Stamp 7:50-8:10 am Chapel 8:10 am Faculty Meeting 3:30 pm School Board Meeting 5:45 pm	2 School Picture Retake Day, 9:30 am Ladies Aid 2:00 pm~Gr. 1&2	3 PE Gr. 7&8 END OF 1ST QTR (9 Sundays in 1st Qtr)	4 St. Martin Fall Fling
5 Choir 8:00 am Gr 7&8 & Chimes 10:30 am	6 STAR READING TESTING	7 Eligibility & Grade Level 3:30 pm	8 YI Stamp 7:50-8:10 am Chapel 8:10 am	9 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00 to 8:00 pm Seated Communion 1:00 pm~Gr. 1&2 Gr. 5-8 Song due	10 <i>No School</i> Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00 am to 1:00 pm	11
12 Gr 5&6 & Chimes 8:00 am	13 STAR MATH TESTING PTL Executive Meeting 5:30 pm	14 Gr. 5-8 Song due	15 YI Stamp 7:50-8:10 am Chapel 8:10 am Deer Hunter's Service, 7:00 pm	16 TEC 21 @Pilgrim, Green Bay 9-2	17 PE Gr. 5&6 Gr. 5-8 Song due	18
19 SOJ Praise Team 10:30 am	20	21 Chapel 8:10 am Gr. 5-8 Song due	22 <i>No School</i> Thanksgiving Eve Church Service, 7:00 pm	23 <i>No School</i> Thanksgiving Day Church Service, 9:00 am	24 <i>No School</i>	25
26	27 Gr. 5-8 Song due School Choice Auditors ~ 8:00 am	28 Gr. 5-8 Song due School Choice Auditors ~ 8:00 am	29 YI Stamp 7:50-8:10 am Chapel ~ Baptism Birthdays-8:10 am	30		

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St. Martin Lutheran School Lunch Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 BBQ shredded pork sandwich, wheat bun, garden bar, baked beans, pickle slices, applesauce, cookie, choice of milk	2 Meatballs with gravy, mashed potatoes, wheat dinner roll, garden bar, green beans, jelled cranberries, choice of milk	3 Cold Turkey sub, garden bar, cheese slice, carrot & celery sticks, apple slices, corn chips, choice of milk	4
5	6 Chicken nuggets, garden bar, whole kernel corn, wheat bread, mandarin oranges, choice of milk	7 Hamburger on wheat bun, garden bar, pickle spears, tator tots, apple slices, choice of milk	8 Hot ham & cheese sandwich, garden bar, carrot & celery sticks, corn chips, sliced peaches, choice of milk	9 Pancakes, sliced ham, garden bar, carrot & celery sticks, strawberries, yogurt, choice of milk	10 <i>No School</i>	11
12	13 Mini corn dogs, garden bar, whole kernel corn, wheat bread, applesauce, choice of milk	14 Taco w/fixings, garden bar, tortilla chips, salsa, refried beans, pineapple tidbits, choice of milk	15 Scalloped potatoes with dices ham, garden bar, carrot coins, sliced pears, choice of milk	16 Pizza dippers w/sauce, garden bar, green beans, sliced peaches, Scooby snack, choice of milk	17 Beef Hot dog on a wheat bun, garden bar, corn chips, baked beans, sliced pears, choice of milk	18
19	20 Breaded chicken pattie, wheat bun, garden bar, whole kernel corn, applesauce, choice of milk	21 Hot diced chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, jelled cranberries, garden bar, cookie, choice of milk	22 <i>No School</i>	23 <i>No School</i>	24 <i>No School</i>	25
26	27 Mini corn dogs, garden bar, whole kernel corn, wheat bread, applesauce, choice of milk	28 Baked spaghetti w/meat sauce, garden bar, carrot coins, bread sticks, applesauce, choice of milk	29 Barbecue on wheat bun, garden bar, pickle spear, green beans, tator tots, sliced pears, choice of milk	30 Macaroni & cheese casserole, garden bar, peas, wheat bread, sliced peaches, choice of milk		

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