

Eagle News

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Geography Bee

On Wednesday, January 8, ten students participated in the semi-finals of the National Geographic Bee at St. John's. Special congratulations go out to our school's top three finishers, Abby Balke 3rd place, Kyle Bailey 2nd place, and our school champion, Ella Malliet. The next step for Ella will be to take a 70 question test online. The top 100 scores are then invited to the State Bee. We wish her well as she takes this test.

Shoreland Open House

Wednesday, January 15, from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. prospective students and families will have the opportunity to take a guided tour and learn more about Shoreland's curriculum, STEM Academy, activities and meet teachers. Register online at https://www.slhs.us/apps/pages/open_house.

Robot Tournament

The first robotics tournament for elementary and middle schools hosted by our WELS schools is scheduled for this Saturday at Shoreland from 9:30-2:30. We will have two teams competing in the individual skills challenge and teamwork challenges. There are 30 grade school teams coming to take part in the VEX IQ Challenge games, and another 20 high school teams competing in the VEX VRC tournament. Admission is free. Come on out and enjoy the spectacle and energy of this first time event.

MAP Testing Dates

The Winter testing period for grades 3-8 is planned for January 20-23. Each student will participate in skill testing in math, reading, and language. We will try to complete any makeup testing on January 27-28. The results will then be used to adjust their individual Study Island learning goals.

Preschool Power Hour

Preschool Power Hour is a fun-packed program designed for parents and children ages 18 months - 4 years old. You'll enjoy a Bible lesson, music time and gym fun with other parents and tots. The group will meet on Wednesdays @ 9:30 am on January 22, February 5, 19, March 4, 18 and April 1. A flyer with more information is located on the school information table. Feel free to take copies to share with friends.

Kindergarten Visit Day

The Kindergarten class and Mrs. Prange are extending an invitation to all current 4K students at St. John's and any other children who will begin Kindergarten next year. They are planning a special hour for all who come on January 23 from 1-2:00pm. Please contact the school office with any questions or to reserve a place for this special visit to our Kindergarten class.

Pioneers

Our Lutheran Pioneer program for boys started up in December. The boys have been meeting every other Thursday in the gym. Thursday, January 23, the girls program will start meeting on the same Thursdays. Both groups will meet from 6:30-8:00. The girls will meet in the school. Anyone that wasn't able to sign up on Back to School Night, but would like to join either boy or girls Pioneers can contact the school office.

Preschool and Kindergarten Family Night

We are hosting a special night for all of our preschool and kindergarten families on January 27 from 5:00-6:30. You are [invited](#) to join us for dinner and some fun activities and games for the kids. The whole family is invited to come and mingle with the other families. Our teachers will be with us and ready to talk about the next stages and steps for your child at St. John's. Please feel free to invite a friend who may also be interested in preschool or kindergarten at St. John's.



Calendar Events

January 15	-3:15 pm Robotics Lab Open
January 16	-8:10 am School Chapel -3:15 pm Robotics Lab Open
January 17	-End of 2nd Quarter -2:15 Eagle Family's Mural Activity
January 18	-Robotics Competition (SLHS)
January 19	-8:00 am Worship -10:30 am Worship
January 20	-6:30 pm Worship

January 20-23 MAPS testing grades 3-8

January 24 No School

Report Cards

With the close of the quarter on Friday, all of the teachers will be finalizing grades and preparing report cards. We are planning to send these home with each student on Monday, January 27. They will also be available through your TADS Educate account.

WELS Adult Retreat

Men have the opportunity to attend an upcoming WELS retreats just for them. The "Men of His Word" Christian Conference on February 8 will be at the Best Western Convention Center in Oshkosh. Visit menofhisword.org for details & registration. There are two women's retreats later in March.

Call Updates

Pastor Lahmann has received two additional divine calls in the past week. One is to the ministry at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Hortonville, WI. The other is to the ministry at Divine Peace Lutheran Church in Largo, Maryland. For the next several weeks he will be praying over and thinking through where the Lord would best use him as a shepherd of his people.

Miss Seelow continues to deliberate her new call to serve St. John's in Waterloo, WI, as a K-2 teacher. Please keep her in your prayers as she considers the two ministry calls from us and St. John's, Waterloo.

Parent Crosslink

Today you will find one more [article](#) from the winter edition of the WELS quarterly magazine for Christian parents. Through special arrangements we are able to share these articles with you that will be a blessing as you carry out the awesome responsibility of parenting. The articles deal with the challenges of parenting that are probably very relatable to us all.

Sunday School and Bible Study

Another way we stay connected with Jesus is by being a part of Bible study and Sunday School. Our Sunday worship times are 8:00am and 10:30am, which gives us 9:15am-10:15am as our Sunday Bible study hour. The Sunday School serves disciples from Preschool through 12th grade. Also returning this year we have our Adult Sunday School! The Adult Sunday School will be taught by lay leaders in our church and will cover the same lessons taught in the youth Sunday School. Parents can hear and discuss the very same Bible lesson as their children. What a great opportunity for family discussions on Scripture! The other Adult Bible Class has just gotten started on a new topic as well. Come and connect with your Savior and fellow disciples.

2019 Wisconsin State Tuition Deduction

As you prepare to file your state income taxes, please remember to take the Wisconsin State Deduction for tuition which you paid in the 2019 calendar year. Any payments made during the calendar year for tuition for students grades K-12 may be deducted from income for state income taxes. This amount includes fees, as well as the purchase of chromebooks. To find out the amount paid, simply log on to your TADS online account and download a statement of your paid 2019 invoices for the year. If you paid via check, your cancelled check is your receipt.

Cash payments can use the cash receipt or request a tuition paid letter from the school office. These receipts, along with Wisconsin form PS, will allow you to take this deduction. If you should have any questions on this deduction, please contact the school office or Mr. Avery.

Cold Weather Dress

Now that colder weather is here, students should have the proper outerwear when going outside for recess. Students in grades K-4 will be required to wear boots, snow pants, hats and mittens when playing in the snow. If a student forgets or doesn't wear boots or snow pants, he or she will be allowed to go outside, but will not be allowed to play in the snow. Students in grades 5-8 will be required to wear boots when playing in the snow. Students will be going outside unless it is raining or sub-zero temperatures are present.

