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Bethany Lutheran School

Long Beach, CA

BEAR FACTS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This quote from Dr. Martin Luther King came across my social media desk this weekend:

"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character–that is the goal of true education."

Dr. King was so wise about so MANY things. I love this particular quote because I think it speaks to what we hope to do here at Bethany: help our students learn to think critically, concentrate (and learn how to learn on their own!) and to develop Christian character at the same time.

Thank you, Bethany parents, for partnering with us in this important task!

Dr. Fink

Cook's Night Out

There are TWO opportunities to support our 8th graders this week:
COFFEE BEAN & TEA LEAF
5865 E. Spring Street (Spring & Los Coyotes)
All Day, Every Day, All Week! Please go multiple times!

RAISING CANE'S
Wednesday, Jan. 18 (all day)
4634 Candlewood St.
*Dine in or Drive thru only. Not applicable on phone, mobile or online orders.

COMING UP

- Jan. 20-End Quarter 2
- **Jan. 22**-Trinity sings 8:00, Troubadour sings 9:30
- **Jan. 22-27**-National Lutheran Schools Week
- Jan. 24-In-n-Out Truck!!!!!
- **Jan. 24**-PTL Meeting 6:30 PM
- Jan. 27-Report cards go home
- Jan. 27-TALENT SHOW! 6:30
- Jan. 31- Middle School Info Night
- **Feb. 1-**Re-registration begins
- Feb. 8-Kindergarten Info Night
- Feb. 9-Middle School Musical

It's time to get your act together! (for the Talent Show!)

The Talent Show is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 27 at 6:30 PM. **Sign up in the school office** to try out on one of these dates:

Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 17 Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 18 Friday morning, Jan. 20 Friday afternoon, Jan. 20



Help Bethany's Scrip program WIN FREE SHIPPING in 2023!

Every participant order placed from January 16 - 31 is a qualified entry for our program. Whether you order online or buy in person - every order counts! All brands and card types are eligible - physical, eCards and reloads. The more orders that are placed the greater our chance of winning! Every time I place an order for gift cards, it costs \$16.75 - this would be a tremendous savings! And, of course, you benefit too - your purchases add to your rebate.

Thanks in advance for your support! Ruth Lopez, Scrip Coordinator rlopez@bethanylutheran.org 562-420-7783 ext. 58

Eagle Scout Project

Bethany Lutheran School has been BLESSED to have many Eagle Scout candidates choose to do their Eagle projects at school. Caleb O'Conner, Bethany alum, has chosen to refurbish the gaga pit! The pit has been dis-assembled and work will take about a month to complete. He could use our help, though. See his request below:

Several months ago I started fundraising to raise money for my Eagle Scout project. I will be refurbishing the gaga pit, and making an outdoor toy box. Thank you everyone for donating cans, and supporting me at the used uniform sale. If you didn't have a chance to donate anything and would like to donate please do not hesitate to ask me.

I will begin the first stages of my project which includes base preparation on January 21 at 9:00 AM. We will meet on the grassy field. I am in need of help in the first stage of the project and would appreciate anyone who would like to volunteer their time and tools. I would like to borrow flat head shovels, metal garden bow rakes, and if possible a vibrating plate compactor (hand compactors would work as well). If you are able to help in any of these ways please feel free to email me at caoconner6002@gmail.com or text me at 562-202-0473

Thank you, Caleb O'Conner

Middle School Corner

Bethany Lutheran offers team sports as one avenue for building problem-solving strategies, practicing effective communication skills, and exploring and developing God-given gifts. (All while getting some exercise!)

Sports available for students in grades 5-8

Fall Season: Girls Volleyball and Boys Football

Winter Season: Girls Basketball and Boys Basketball

Spring Season: Girls and Boys Track and Field

Next Thursday, 1/26, come cheer on the boys' basketball team at 3:30 and the girls' basketball team at 4:30 in Bethany's gym. **Go Bears!**

Bethany Music Academy: Spring Semester Registration is open!

Twelve weekly private lessons will be offered beginning the week of January 23. Students may select from the following instruments: piano (2nd grade and up), clarinet (4th and older), and trumpet (4th and up).

Lessons are held on our campus after school, between the hours of 3:15 and 6:00 p.m. Tuition: \$300 plus \$25 annual registration fee.

Information sheets and enrollment forms may be picked up in the school or church offices; you may also go online to download these items: www.bethanylutheran.org Enrollment forms are due no later than Thursday, January 19 to secure your child's spot.

Questions? Contact Academy Administrator, Mara Widmann at (562) 421-4711 ext. 55, or mwidmann@bethanylutheran.org



The In-n-Out truck is coming and we want to sell 300 lunches! Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings: join us!

Click here to order: https://tinyurl.com/NLSWIn-N-Out

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK 2023

MON. **JAN. 23**

CHANNEL YOUR FLANNEL DAY

CALLING ALL URBAN LUMBERJACKS! DRESS IN ALL FLANNEL OR PLAID. PRESCHOOL: BUBBLE MANIA, GRADES K-2: WHEELS DAY, GRADES 6-8: ICE SKATING

TUES. **JAN. 24**

DECADE DAY

50S, 60S, 70S, 80S, 90S, 2000S...DRESS TO MATCH THE STYLE OF YOUR FAVORITE DECADE. THE IN-N-OUT TRUCK WILL SERVE LUNCH.

WED. **JAN. 25**

SPORTS JERSEY DAY

WHICH TEAM DO YOU ROOT FOR? WEAR A SPORTS JERSEY OR APPAREL.

THURS. JAN. 26

SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

COME DECKED OUT IN BLUE AND GOLD. GOT A FREE AFTERNOON? HELP US PACK THE GYM TO CHEER ON OUR VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AT 3:30 PM AND VARSITY GIRLS TEAM AT 4:30 PM. GRADES 3-5: BOWLING

FRI. **JAN. 27**

TOURIST DAY

WHERE WILL YOU VISIT? DRESS LIKE A TOURIST, BUT PLEASE NO SWIM WEAR.

STUDENTS WILL LEARN ABOUT MISSIONARIES' TRAVELS AND SHARE A LITTLE PIECE OF THEIR OWN CULTURE WITH THEIR CLASS.



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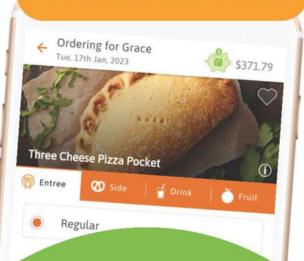
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Bring in this flyer or show it on your smart phone & 20% OF YOUR ORDER*

will be donated to:

Bethany Lutheran Church

When: Monday, January 16 to Sunday January 22, 2023

Time: All Day, 5am to 10pm

Where: 5865 E. Spring St., Long Beach, CA



*Twenty percent (20%) of net sales will be donated. Gift card purchases, tax, tip, and mobile orders are excluded from the donated total. To ensure that your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, you must scan the QR code on the flyer, or on your smart phone, at the register at the time of purchase.



After School Hoops

@ Bethany Lutheran Elementary



Learn. Sweat. Have Fun!

Join us this session as we teach your child basketball in a fun, exciting environment. Our coaches will focus on fundamentals through progressive drills, fun competitions, and competitive scrimmages, while using these activities as a platform to teach life-skill lessons that reinforce positive attitudes about effort, respect, and teamwork. New and returning students encouraged to join.

WHO	Boys & Girls of all skill levels!
GRADES	1 st - 5 th Graders
DAY	TUESDAYS
TIME	3:30-4:30pm
DATES	Jan. 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar. 7, 14
WHERE	Bethany Lutheran Basketball Courts
COST	\$153

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www.1on1basketball.com

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Questions? Please contact Ryan at 562.822.7525 or ryan@1on1basketball.com