



Bethany Lutheran School
Long Beach, CA

BEAR FACTS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I read an article once that began this way:

"Given the choice between getting \$1 now or \$2 a week from now, what would your child choose to do? His ability to wait for the larger reward could have a dramatic impact on how well he does in school."

The article went on to cite a recent study showing that self-disciplined students who could delay gratification outperformed their peers academically. In fact, self-discipline appeared to be a bigger predictor of academic gains than IQ!

According to one of the study's co-authors, parents (and teachers!) can help students develop self-discipline by "drawing a harder line when it comes to giving in to kids' demands, letting them experience frustration, and encouraging them to wait for or earn the things they want."

That's hard to do in the moment, because we don't like to see our kids unhappy or struggling. But much like daily exercise, we know that developing those "grit muscles" will pay off in the future!



Blessings on your week!
Dr. Fink

COMING UP

- **Mar. 11**-Concordia Handbell Festival (Advanced Bell Group)
- **Mar. 12**-Daylight Savings Time
- **Mar. 17**-Bethany Golf Tourney
- **Mar. 21**-Battle of the Books
- **Mar. 24**-Quarter 3 ends
- **Mar. 28**-PTL Meeting
- **Mar. 30-31**-Minimum Days, Parent Teacher Conferences
- **Apr. 2**-Easter Egg Hunt
- **Apr. 6**-Stations of the Cross
- **Apr. 7**-Good Friday/No School
- **Apr. 9**-HE IS RISEN!
- **Apr. 10-14**-Easter Break
- **Apr. 23**-Trinity and Troubadour sing 9:30



Do you have an extra child's booster seat you no longer need? Check the expiration date...if it's still usable, we'd love to have it here in the school office for students who forget theirs on a field trip day! Thanks!

REMINDER: The rebate period is coming to a close at the end of March. The earning period goes from April to March with rebates being distributed in May. Something to think about: How do you want your rebate applied? Choices are last payment in May, first payment for next school year or bank for 8th grade Washington DC trip (beginning in 5th grade).

Also, don't forget that the minimum rebate is now \$25. This is how much you need to earn after the 60/40% split. If your earnings are under the \$25 limit your rebate is absorbed back into the program. So, check your earnings if you think you might not be at your minimum. I am also happy to help you check. Just let me know!

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MIDDLE SCHOOL CORNER

Middle School students are encouraged to give their best efforts when they learn, love, lead and serve others throughout the school day. The middle school uses a ticket system for acknowledging and celebrating when students go above and beyond in the classroom and around campus.

When students receive tickets, they can then put the tickets into the ticket bins throughout the homeroom classrooms. Approximately once a month, the middle school gathers and uses those tickets for a prize drawing celebration. Some of the prizes include: no mile for you and a friend, using the comfy, rolling chair, off-campus lunch with a friend, and prizes from the prize bin.

We're looking to keep the prize bin enticing and could use your help. For FISH service hours, please take a look at the items on this [Amazon wish list](#).

And, [here's the link](#) to log FISH hours with the school office.

Thank you for your consideration and support!



Last chance to claim your Lost and Found articles!
Next week we'll be donating leftover items to a thrift store. You'll find the Lost and Found cart outside EDC near the drive-through.



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Fundraiser in support of:
Bethany Lutheran School
Wednesday, March 8

Valid at the following location
CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN
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Fundraiser valid only on the date(s) and at the CPK location(s) identified on this flyer. Only 501c organizations and non-profit schools are eligible to participate in CPK's fundraiser program. CPK will donate 20% (twenty percent) of all food and beverage sales to the organization. Tax, gratuity, gift card and retail sales are excluded from the donation. Valid for dine-in, takeout, online, catering, curbside or delivery orders placed directly with CPK. Not valid for orders placed or fulfilled through third-party delivery. Void if flyer is distributed in or near restaurant. For more information about the 501c organization participating in the fundraiser, please contact the organization directly. Not valid at franchise locations in Guam, stadium, university, international, airport locations, or the Grand Sierra Resort and Casino.



Our Easter Egg Hunt with crafts, snacks, and a devotion will be
on **Sunday, April 2nd at 11:00AM.**

We will kick our event off by meeting in the gym. We kindly ask you to register so we have
an idea of how many to expect, though we will not be turning anyone away.

Please direct any questions to Alissa Brege at abrege@bethanylutheran.org

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This is a FREE event!

This is a FAMILY event, so we ask that children are accompanied by a parent or guardian.
The last day to RSVP using this form is Monday, March 27th by midnight.

<https://bit.ly/Eastereggs23>



Admissions Update

February is **Re-registration Month** and the opportunity to confirm your information in Gradelink for the 2023-24 school year. **First and second grades are leading the way!** If you haven't reviewed and updated your information please use **www.secure.gradelink.com** and complete that today. On March 1 we open registration to the community and we have a large number of eager families wanting to join the Bethany Family. We know how many spots are available based on our current families re-registering. Thank you!



OPEN HOUSE



LuTEC
HIGH SCHOOL

TUESDAY, MARCH 14
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

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