

<u>School Mission Statement:</u>
Using God's Word as our guide, St. Paul Lutheran School will raise up future generations of Christians in our community by assisting parents in the Christian teaching of their children and by striving for excellence in all areas of instruction.

Worship Schedule: Join us for worship on Sundays at 8am or 10:30am, or on Mondays at 6pm. "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" (Psalm 122:1)

Police Lights of Christmas Culver's Day TOMORROW: Wednesday, 10/20/21, from 10am – 10pm many Culver's restaurants are donating a portion of every sale to the Police Lights of Christmas campaign, helping others in need during the holiday season. You can help! All you need to do is eat at Culver's, and who wouldn't love a delicious butter burger and custard?! Scrip is also available for purchase in the school office. All three Appleton locations are participating, along with many others in neighboring cities. See if your neighborhood Culver's is on the list HERE.

Veteran's Day Program: Once again, St. Paul will be hosting a Veteran's Day Program on Thursday, Nov. 11th, beginning at 11am. All are invited to attend – especially our service men and women. The FVL band will be joining us, and all the students will be celebrating veterans and our country with song. We will have two speakers addressing the group on behalf of the 'Old Glory Flight' and readings from our 8th graders. The Marches of the Armed Forces will be played at which time all veterans and current service members will be recognized. A light lunch will be served following the program for our veterans and their families. Please join us for this Christ-centered event!

Veteran's Day Volunteers Needed: Help is needed to prep and serve lunch for our veterans. If you are available to assist November 11th, please stop by the office or email office@stpaulappletonwi.com. We will need at least 5 volunteers; 2 right away in the morning to help cut/plate desserts and decorate, and 3 additional kitchen helpers to come in after 10am. Thanks for considering!

Veteran's Day Desserts: Families with students in the ODD grades (1,3,5,7) are asked to bring in a dozen store-bought desserts (12 cookies, 12 cupcakes, a pie or cake that would serve roughly 12, etc) the morning of 11/11 for the luncheon. Donations may be brought to the school kitchen.

Veteran's Day Packets: If you have a veteran in your life that would enjoy a packet of goodies from our school children, please contact the office to reserve one today (office@stpaulappletonwi.com). These packets are handed out at our Veteran's Day Program on November 11th and contain pictures and encouraging messages of thanks.

Falcon Apparel Store to Re-Open: Did you miss out on the last opportunity to order your St. Paul Falcon gear? No worries – we've got you covered. The store will re-open again October 25th through November 7th. This will be the final opportunity to order items before Christmas. The link will be published in the school news once it becomes available from Fox Cities Embroidery.

Helping the Hamblin's: The Hamblin family has a second and fifth grader in St Paul School. Not long ago, Mr. Hamblin was diagnosed with cancer and is now spending time in Rochester, MN, to obtain treatment for the cancer. Jessy and her children (Ivan and Eliana) travel to Rochester on weekends to see him.

As a school family, we would like to help the Hamblin's with some of their expenses. These are some of the restaurants in Rochester where they will be eating: Texas Roadhouse, Culver's (scrip available), Applebee's (scrip available), Outback Steakhouse, Noodles and Company (scrip available), Chipotle Mexican Grill (scrip available). Monetary donations are also appreciated to help defer lodging and travel expenses.

If you can help with a cash donation or a gift card, please stop by the school office. We pray that God will give the family the strength to face whatever may come and that if it is His will, He grants quick and full healing for Mr. Hamblin.

Appleton Christmas Parade: All St. Paul School and ECC students are invited to participate in this year's Appleton Christmas Parade! Our school will once again be sponsoring a float. If you are new to our school or haven't participated in the past, similar to previous years we will be a "live nativity", with our younger students riding on the float dressed as stable animals and our older students walking before or after the float dressed as angels, wise men, and shepherds. Joseph and Mary will also be on the float under our stable. The parade will be on the evening of Tuesday November 23rd. All costumes will be provided. If your

child/children would like to participate, please e-mail their name and grade to <u>stpaulchristmasparade@gmail.com</u> no later than Monday, Nov. 15th. Costumes will be handed out after school on 11/19. If you have any questions you can call or text Theresa Holmes at 920-470-0714

<u>Children's Christmas Eve Services:</u> While fall has just begun, the teachers at St. Paul have already been hard at work planning the Children's Christmas Eve Service. Students at St. Paul have the privilege of sharing the Christmas Gospel message in special services on **December 24th at 1:00 and 3:00**. In order to help families plan, we are sharing with you the information about the services. There will be 2 services and families have been split into 2 groups based on the alphabet.

1:00 p.m. Families with last name A-L, and families with ECC 3K/4K siblings 3:00 p.m. Families with last name M-Z, and families in St. Paul Sunday School

5th-8th grade students who are in Handbells or Junior Choir are expected to participate in both services. Due to the large numbers of ECC families who will be attending the first service and space limitations to accommodate families, we ask that parents not switch from their assigned service.

<u>Police Lights of Christmas – Snack Drive:</u> St. Paul is teaming up with Police Lights of Christmas to collect snack type nonperishable items. These snacks will be included with other donated items to help fill 1,000 backpacks. The backpacks will be given to local police departments throughout northeast Wisconsin. Police officers will carry these backpacks in their car while on patrol to hand out to those in need within their communities. Donations will be accepted through November 15th. A bin will be located at the Harris Street entrance of the school. Items to be donated are individually wrapped nonperishable snacks (granola bars, fruit snacks, small bags of chips, small bags of crackers, nuts, cookies, raisins, etc). Any questions please ask Mr. Kelley or Jacki Sievert (920-851-9436 or sievertfam4@att.net).

ATHLETICS UPDATES:

<u>A-team VB Tournament</u>: The A-VB team concluded their season with the league tournament at FVL on Saturday. After going 5-1 in pool play sets, the girls earned the #3 overall seed in the championship bracket--taking on Immanuel, Greenville. The Falcons took the first set 25-16, but dropped the next two sets to drop the match to the Warriors. It was an exciting day of volleyball and a great way to end a season full of great competition and continued improvement. Thanks to all the players and parents for making the season a success!

<u>VB/ CC Banquet Thursday</u>, 10/21: A reminder that there will be a banquet for all CC runners and VB players in the gym on Thursday (5:00-6:00). Families can enter through the side "gymnasium" doors by the ECC playground. Coaches will introduce the teams and speak about their respective seasons. Light refreshments will be served.

Basketball Reminders: Basketball season is quickly approaching! Practice dates are currently being entered on the online calendar--all will be entered within the next few days. Those who signed up on "back to school Sunday" should be receiving an informative email from their coach soon (if you didn't sign up yet and still wish to play, please speak to Mr. Stelter). There is a mandatory parent meeting on Thursday, 11/4 from 5:15-6:00 in the school cafeteria. This will be for the parents of players in grades 5-8. Parents of C-team players (grades 3&4) will be receiving separate information via email and a note home. Go Falcons! **Brian Butch Basketball Skills Session**: On Thursday, 11/4 Brian Butch Basketball will be at St. Paul to run a free skills session for all BB players in grades 5-8! The session will last from 4:00-5:00 and there is no pre-registration required (note: this session will take the place of any regularly scheduled practices on Thursdays). Remember there is a parent-meeting to follow!

Complete list of games, meets, and practices can be found at the link below:

http://www.stpaulappletonwi.com/calendars-events/school-athletics-calendar

PTO NEWS:

Box tops: please send any traditional clips now through THURSDAY, October 22nd. Please continue to scan receipts for items with the new Box Top logo. If anyone does not want to download the App, please drop your receipts in the office within 2 weeks of purchase. A PTO member will be happy to scan your receipt for you.

Upcoming Events:

11/11 12:30 Dismissal

11/18 Grades 7-8 Math Bowl @ FVL

11/24-26 No School – Thanksgiving Break

11/23 Appleton Christmas Parade

11/12 No School

10/21 Fall Sports Banquet
10/24 8th Grade Welcome Night @ FVL
10/27 @ 8:10am School Chapel Service / End of 1st Qtr.
10/28-29 No School: Teachers' Conference
11/4 @ 4pm Brian Butch Skills Clinic
11/4 @ 5:15pm SPL Basketball Parent Meeting
11/1-11 Parent/Teacher Conferences

11/1-11 Parent/Teacher Conferences 11/9 Grades 5-6 Math Bowl @ FVL 11/10 @ 8:10am School Chapel Service 11/11 @11am Veteran's Day Program