



# SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

### September 8, 2022

#### **A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Ever wonder what the future holds for your young person? Having a rough patch and concerned about what will become of them? Good news! God sees their potential even when others don't. David was a shepherd boy whose family didn't think he would amount to much, but God saw a king. David wrote in Psalm 139:16- 18: "You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed. How precious are your thoughts about me... I can't even count them; they outnumber the grains of sand! And when I wake up you are still with me!" Just like David, God sees each and every one of us and the potential He created. Praise God that He has a plan for us according to His will and timetable.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Attention: Aftercare Friday will close at 3:45. If you have a need past this time, please contact the office today.**

**CHECK YOUR EMAIL:** Your login information for Gradelink was emailed to you on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> morning. Please check to see that you received it, going forward that will be the link to see your student progress. If you didn't receive it, please contact the office.

**STUDENT WORK STUDY:** Salem Lutheran School has been blessed again this year with a work study student from ISD. Lexi Hilman, a Senior at ISD is coming to do her work study program with the Pre-school classes. We welcome Lexi, and want everyone to make her feel welcome here at Salem.

**UNIFORMS AVAILABLE:** Some gently used uniforms in sizes 7/8 and 10/12 have been brought to the office. If you can use them, please stop in before Wednesday. We will take the bin to Good Will on Thursday.

**SINGING IN CHURCH:** Our students have the wonderful opportunity to celebrate what they are learning in music class while bringing praise to our Lord and Savior. This will be in the church services here at Salem. Performance is an important aspect of music education so having

all the students joining us is important. The **PK3 and PK4** students will sing on **Sunday, September 25**. The **K-5** students will sing on **Sunday, October 9**. The **6-8 grade** students will accompany BOTH groups on our new instruments and will need to attend **BOTH** Sundays. Please mark these days on your calendar now. If there is a conflict, please let your teacher know now so they can change parts now if necessary.

**REFER-A-STUDENT** - Remember if you refer a student to Salem for this year and they enroll, you'll receive a \$100 discount on your tuition. Refer 3 students and get \$300 off.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Mark your calendars now!

**Sept 25-** PK sing in church- 9 am (6-8 play)

**Sept. 28-Oct. 5-** Book Fair

**Sept 30-** Family Fun Night 5-7 pm (Dinner included- Free will donation)

**Oct. 1-** Illinois College Homecoming parade - All needed for float

**Oct. 9-** K-5 sing in church- 9 am (6-8 play)

**FED ON HIS WORD-** Each week we are given the opportunity to hear the preaching of His Word. Together, we Rejoice as we share in the fellowship of our Lord, and we respond to worship as His Called People of Faith. Please encourage your child to attend both Church and Sunday School each week to enable them to know more about Jesus. Sunday School at Salem is at 9:15 am.

**PRAYER FAMILIES-** Each day we pray for all of our students and their families. It has long been a custom of our school to divide our families each year by the number of school weeks and especially pray for them in our morning devotions. **Bezler & Steinacher**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE-** Please have your news items in by noon on Tuesdays. Thank you!

**WEBSITE REVAMP:** Our website has been undergoing some changes and is now back up and running! Go check us out at [www.salemjaxschool.net](http://www.salemjaxschool.net)

**PARENT VOLUNTEER HOURS:** 30 hours per family of volunteer time has been built into your tuition. If you would like to lower your tuition up to \$300 don't forget to get plugged in and volunteer at the upcoming events. We need help with the book fair Sept 28- Oct 5, float building for the Illinois College homecoming parade Oct. 1 and many other things to come. Many hands make light work and happy kids!

**SCHOOL SPIRIT** apparel Coming SOON Stay tuned! Spirit Fridays will begin next week. Students may wear a Salem spirit t-shirt instead of a regular uniform shirt on Fridays.

**WEEKLY LUNCH MENU -**

**Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>** Beef Nachos/Cheese sauce, Toppings, Fruit, Milk

**Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** - Pizza, Fruit, Vegetable, Milk

**Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** - Ham, Egg and Cheese Biscuit, Fruit, Vegetable and Milk

**Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>** - Hamburger Ponyshoe, Vegetable, Fruit, Milk

**Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** - Sack Lunch in Classrooms

**Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** Beef Tacos, Toppings, Fruit, Milk

**Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** - Pizza, Fruit, Vegetable, Milk

**FEATURED CLASS:** Grades 6-7 Each week we will feature a different class and give you a glimpse into the classroom. This week the middle school helped deliver meals through the Doorbell Dinners program here in Jacksonville. We are proud of the example they set as they worked to help in the community.



**PRESCHOOL 3's News from Mrs. Wiegand:** Greetings from the Pre-K 3's class. We have been busy getting to know each other and learning about school routines. We are learning about all the different toys and centers in our room and how to use and care for them. Other activities have been painting, play dough exercises, using scissors correctly and using glue. We are practicing our song that we are singing in church, on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, everyday so it sounds great. They continue to learn about God and the Bible at Jesus-Time.

**PRESCHOOL 4's News from Mrs. Lysaythong:** Learning Focus: Baby Animals  
Letter: H, Number: 4 Spanish: los animales  
Shape: rectangle, Bible Verse: 23r Psalm  
The children will learn about baby animals, how they move, what sounds they make, and who cares for their wellbeing while growing. With

various mediums they will draw and create their favorite baby animal art. Last week's learning focus was "My Body"! The children learned about the parts of their bodies and how it functions together to help them learn and play. We read books about the human body and created sensory masterpieces with paint, scissors, glue, and stickers!



### **1<sup>st</sup> & 2nd Grade News from Mrs.**

**Deborah Steinacher:** For the week of September 12, memory for first grade will be #5 and memory for second grade will be #45. In religion we will be learning about Joseph and how he forgave his brothers. We will also be learning about when God spoke to Moses from the burning bush. In reading and spelling we will be on unit 1.4. It is great to see that the class is practicing their memory and spelling words at home. That helps out so much! In math we will be working on adding three 2-digit numbers, mental computation, problem solving, reading the thermometer, and much more. In science we will be looking at water and how it can be a solid, a liquid, or a gas. In social studies we will learning about how our government leaders help us by making laws and by providing each state with police and fire stations. Our monthly book report is due Sept. 21. Please help your child work on this throughout the month. It can be done and turned in on or before Sept. 21. We would like to thank Lily for providing us with our weekly afternoon snack! We all greatly appreciate you helping out with this. We are already practicing our song for when we sing in church on October 9. They are doing a great job of learning it. Have a wonderful week. God's blessings!

### **3<sup>rd</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade News from Mrs. Blayre**

**Petri:** It is a new week in 3rd and 4th grade

with a new teacher! We will both be on unit 1.4 in our reading for next week. The third grade will be reading a biography titled "Mary Anderson's Great Invention". The fourth grade will be reading a narrative nonfiction story titled "The Big Race". Both grades will need to review the vocabulary and story at home before the test on Friday. In math we will be working on lessons 11-15. Some things we will be working on include dividing squares in two and four equal parts, counting dimes and nickels, adding and subtracting 10 to a two-digit number, adding three-digit numbers, missing numbers in subtraction, and subtracting two digit and three-digit numbers. In spelling we will continue to work on our new words throughout the week and you will also need to review these at home for the test on Friday. In memory the students will be working on number 133 under Grade 4 in your memory books. In social studies we will be focusing on People and the Land. The students will learn about how people adapt to their environment and also how people change their environment. In science we will be working on describing fungus cells and comparing and contrasting animal, plant and fungus cells. We will be practicing our church hymn titled "Father Welcomes" during music on Fridays as well as doing art. God Bless, Mrs. Petri

### **6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> & 8th Grade News from Ms. Joy**

**Reitsma:** Middle school has been working hard in and out of the classroom. They are reading their books for their first book report which they will begin next week. They have also been practicing the instruments to accompany the younger grades as they sing in church. We also manage to fit in language arts, math, science and Social studies too.