

Holy Cross Lutheran School - News For You

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"With God All Things Are Possible"

Fun to Help?

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. ²Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews 12:1-3

"Dale, didn't you promise to help your teacher set up that display today? It's time for you to be there already."

"Aw, Mom, I was just going to set up my pup tent," Dale argued.

"But you already promised Mr. West."

"I know," Dale groaned. Then, giving the rolled-up pup tent a kick, he said, "But what fun is there in setting up a display?"

What kind of world would this be if people did only what was fun?" his mother asked.

This question of Dale's mother is worth think about. Can you imagine what the world would be like if everyone did only what was fun? There would be a great shortage of food and clothes, houses and stores, cars and bicycles – in fact, of practically everything you can name. There are many times when workers don't find it fun to make these things.

Worst of all, there would be no way to heaven, because Jesus would not have come to save us. He didn't get any fun out of trading heaven for a rough manger. Nor did He find it fun to have the soldiers pound nails through His hands and feet and put Him to death like a common criminal. The Bible says He hated the shame of dying on a cross.

Why, then, did He go through with it? We know the answer well enough – to redeem us. Just knowing that His sacrifice would redeem us filled Jesus with great joy.

Jesus wants us to help others as He has helped us. We may not always get fun out of it, but we will get something even better – the joy of knowing we are following in His steps.



Parent – Teacher Consultations

Thank you to everyone who visited with us last Thursday and Friday during our scheduled consultation times. Thank you also to the P.T.O. for the generous food and drinks! Parents, your input and support were well appreciated. Feel free to contact your child's teacher at any time during our upcoming school year if there are questions, concerns, or comments.

Veterans' Day Request

For our upcoming Veterans' Day program this Wednesday, November 11, 2008 at 6:30 p.m., we will be having a special display table. If you have any relatives / family members who have served in the Armed Forces and have pictures, items of interest, or souvenirs, you will be given the opportunity to display them on a special table. They may be brought the day or the evening of the performance.

Regarding the evening program, please have your children wear red, white, and blue colors to show support for our country and its veterans. Upon arrival prior to 6:30 p.m., please quietly assemble in the gymnasium – students on the bleachers, parents and families on the gym floor. The honored veterans and their families will be sitting in the blue chairs closer to the bleachers. Thank you.



After School Dismissal

Due to some continued close-calls in the parking lot, and after many staff discussions and observations, we will be setting up our after school monitoring a bit differently. Instead of spreading out the staff and students along the school wall to wait for rides, the students will stay in the main entrance courtyard to wait for their parents and rides. Hopefully, we can better watch your children as they leave for their cars. Thank you for your continued care, extra looks, and slow driving.

Basketball Season

The inaugural basketball orientation meeting has been moved up to Monday, November 16, 2009. Updated rosters, coaching information, and schedules have been sent home today with your 4-8th grade interested child. If your 4th grade child has expressed interest in basketball, please have them stop by Mrs. Patten's office within the next week to fill out the required rule and guideline form. Thank you to our willing coaches and players for participating. May God bless our upcoming season.

Windy City Players

Thanks again to these great performers for acting out Thursday's play, "The Emperor's New Clothes". They did a great job.



Fall Banquet

Our first annual fall athletic banquet takes place this Friday, November 13th at 6:00 p.m. Students and families who participated in volleyball (girls and boys), cross-country, and chess club are invited to attend. Since this is a sit-down meal and banquet in the cafeteria, we ask that you would please bring the following dishes to pass:

- Families with last names ending in: **A – L** please bring a hot dish to pass & share
- Families with last names ending in: **I - R** please bring a salad (fruit/vegetable) dish to pass & share
- Families with last names ending in: **S – Z** please bring a dessert to pass & share

Please bring your own drinks for your family, unless drinking water is fine. We will be eating at 6:00 p.m., followed by short highlight videos, speeches by coaches, introduction of participants, and recognition. We hope to see you all there.

Boys' Volleyball Tournament

Congratulations to our boys for their success at Saturday's Ixonia Invitational Tournament. Our seven volleyball participants did very well during the competition. Thanks also to our coaches, supporters, and fans for their help.



Upcoming Calendar Dates

November 9	M			
November 10	T	Veterans' Day rehearsal, 10:40 a.m.		
November 11	W	Chapel & Mission Offering, 8:00 a.m. Grades 5-8 sing - Wisconsin Capitol Special Veteran Speaker: 1:30 p.m. Veterans' Day rehearsal, 2:20 p.m.	3:30 – 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Veterans' Day	I.N.F.O. Meeting 6:30 p.m. special program, preK-8 in the gymnasium. Wear red, white, and blue to support the U.S.A. and veterans!
November 12	Th		3:10 p.m.	coaches' meeting
November 13	F	10:30 a.m. 7 th grade special event –LLHS	6:00 p.m. banquet	CC – VB – Chess
November 14	S			
November 15	S	Sunday Church Worship		
November 16	M	Principals' conference, Ft. Atkinson, 1:00 p.m.	3:10 p.m. 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Basketball Orientation Meeting girls basketball practices
November 17	T		3:00 – 5:30 p.m.	boys basketball practices
November 18	W	Chapel & Mission Offering, 8:00 a.m.	3:30 – 4:00 p.m. 3:00 – 5:30 p.m.	I.N.F.O. Meeting girls basketball practices
November 19	Th		3:00 – 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	boys basketball practices School Board (Krause)
November 20	F	H1N1 immunizations at Holy Cross, pending availability	3:00 – 5:30 p.m.	boys extra basketball practices
November 21	S			
November 22	S	Sunday Church Worship	8:15 a.m.	Grades 5-8 sing
November 23	M		3:00 – 5:30 p.m.	girls basketball practices *Crusader Times articles – K. Tweit
November 24	T		3:00 – 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	boys basketball practices PTO (Krause) Lakeside Federation Meeting
November 25	W	Chapel & Mission Offering, 8:00 a.m.	11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Early Dismissal, ASC In-Service Faculty Meeting
November 26	Th	No School	Thanksgiving	Break
November 27	F	No School	Thanksgiving	Break