

**Eagle's Wings**  
A Parents' Newsletter  
**St. John Lutheran School**  
**November 10, 2009**



**Mark Your Calendar!**

- Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>      Thanksgiving Social
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>      Kind. & 1<sup>st</sup> Gr. Field Trip
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>      City Park Tree (3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>)
- Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>      Mid-Quarter Progress  
                     Reports
- Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> –  
    Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> No School  
                     Thanksgiving Break

**Chapel Offerings**

Please remember that we are collecting canned goods and packaged dry foods to be used in Thanksgiving Baskets for families with needs. Thanks for your gifts!

**St. Jude Math-A-Thon**

Please make sure your child has completed their booklet. Remember to collect your pledges this week. Thank you for helping St. Jude.

**Thank You!**

Thank you to all parents and families who brought their children to St. John last Sunday to sing in the school choir. The children sounded great and their singing was enjoyed by all. Thank you, also, to those who stayed for the entire service.

**Thanksgiving Social**

Our second pot luck social is planned for Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the gym. (Doors will open at 6:00.) Please bring your favorite entrée and a side dish to share. The school will provide paper product and drinks. The teachers and students are planning special entertainment for the evening so be sure you don't miss it! Please return the attached RSVP note in order for us to plan to have enough drinks and paper plates!

**Hurricanes!**

Who knew we would have to worry about hurricanes in November? Please remember that our policy this year is to close school when Orleans Parish closes. (We will look into changing this policy for next year but for now, it stands.) Our Emergency School Closing policy is written on page 10 in the Student Handbook. If another emergency should arise this school year and we are not able to get an announcement on our website or on channel 4, just listen for reports of Orleans Parish Schools closing.

## Handbook Highlight

Attendance: continued... (page 7)

### Tardies:

It is a matter of parental responsibility to see to it that their children arrive at school on time. A child who comes to class late disrupts the classroom, does not hear important information about the school day and misses instructional time.

If your child is going to be late you must call the school office to order hot lunch *before 8:45 A.M. Otherwise, you must bring a bag lunch.*

Students are considered tardy if they are not in the classroom at 8:30 when school begins. Students arriving after 8:30 must check in at the school office. Parents of the tardy student are to sign the child in.

When the number of tardies reaches four in a quarter the student will be assigned a detention. Students exceeding four tardies will receive a one day suspension for each day tardy for the remainder of the quarter. This procedure will begin again each quarter.

## Come to Church!

You are always invited to join us each Sunday for Adult Bible Class and Children's Sunday School at 8:00 a.m. Join us for "Coffee and Fellowship" in the gym or in the courtyard at 9:00 and church at 9:30. Hope to see you there!

**Starting in January, we will have two services: early service at 8:00 a.m. and late service at 11:00 a.m. Sunday School and Bible class will move to 9:30 a.m.**

## Kindergarten Monkey Business

Our class has been working hard learning our math skills and especially enjoyed working with our new geoboards! We have fun making shapes and designs on them. We are on our third decodable reader – "Frog Ran". We are working on blending sounds and counting syllables. Noah was our Bible story recently and we painted beautiful rainbows to remind us of God's promises! We have tasted things like dates, edamame, figs, guava nectar, and hummus for snack. It is fun to try new things! Our class has "adopted" some residents from a nursing home in Baton Rouge that don't have family to visit them. (Ms. Wood's daughter is their occupational therapist.) We made them Halloween cards and decorations and they loved receiving them. We plan to do the same for Thanksgiving and share God's love with them. During fire safety week, Firefighter Jonathon taught us how important fire drills are at home. He brought a video to show us and even had a fire truck come to our school. The best part was when they let us squirt the fire hose!