

1st Lutheran School

Friday Note

November 20, 2020

Earlier today we sent out the notice that we are switching to virtual learning on Monday and Tuesday. This was not a decision made lightly, but after weighing all of the information and situations in front of me, it was the only proactive decision to make in order to give our families adequate time to make other arrangements. It also helps to provide peace of mind that exposure will be limited headed into the Thanksgiving holiday.

From our earliest drafts of our COVID-19 Operational Response Plan, we stated to be prepared for AMI from Thanksgiving to Christmas. It is still our intention to be in session, but we live in rapidly changing times. As we are learning, currently the main challenges that we face are not from an internal spread, but from the strain on our staff and students from the spread outside of our walls. Our best intentions will be to make and communicate any campus wide AMI decisions by noon on Friday for the following week and announce those decisions via email, Facebook Families Group and the school app.

Again, we understand the inconvenience that this places on your family and it is not a decision that we make lightly. Virtual teaching is harder on our teachers, as well, so our priority is always to provide safe, in person instruction.

Adopted Family - Chapel Offering

Please continue to send in your chapel offerings to help us shop for our adopted family.

This year we are sponsoring two little boys whose mother has been diagnosed with cancer. We are hoping to make this Christmas special with Christmas gifts of clothing and toys for these two children.

- William is four years old. William loves, Peppa Pig, Daniel the Tiger, firetrucks and helping people. William asked for a small basketball goal and a bike. He wears size 5T pants & shirts and XS (4/5 boys) coat. His favorite color is red.
- Joseph is five years old. He loves dinosaurs, Jurassic World, and hot wheel cars. Joseph asked for a baseball glove, baseball bat, baseball tee and a bike. He wears size XS (4/5 boys) pants & shirts and size 6 coat. His favorite color is blue.

Panther PTO Updates

Be on the lookout after Thanksgiving Break for information about the Used Uniform Sale coming in January and the new staff Christmas gift "Panther Christmas Present" project we are organizing this year.

Interest Survey

Earlier this week, a middle school interest survey was emailed out to 3rd-6th grade families. If you have not already completed this, the Board of Christian Education would appreciate your response by the beginning of this next week. Families younger than 3rd grade are welcome to fill it out, but feedback from upper grade families will be the primary factor considered at this point in time. <https://forms.gle/mdEHYediPQwmFHbM6>