

Eagle News

St. John's Lutheran School - December 5, 2018 www.stjohnsburlington.org



Hour of Coding

On Tuesday every St. John's student in K-8 experienced computer coding. While this introduction to computer science gave them a taste of the basics, everyone learned that it is not as scary as it might sound. They needed to put together organized instructions that are specific and detailed. These skills find further applications in other routine tasks like baking, building, and getting to a destination. Additionally, the students had to think as the one giving the directions rather than the one following the directions. In many ways, an hour of coding also further developed some important life skills too. Thanks, Mr. Mooney, for the special day.

Midweek Advent Services

You are invited to join us in worship at our midweek Advent Services held at 3:30 and 6:30 on December 5, 12, and 19. Today's worship will feature our "Lessons & Carols" service. If your child will be attending the afternoon worship with you and you will be arriving after 3:15, please contact the homeroom teacher so that proper supervision can be arranged.

After School Care Alert

For the three Wednesday's of Advent, the After School Care will use the opportunity to join the 3:30 worship in our church. The group will be seated in the back of the church if parents arrive after 3:30. Parents are welcome to join the worship with their child or pick up their child if necessary. The After School Care group will return to their usual location at the close of worship.

Christmas Parade 2018

St. John's is planning to participate in the Burlington Christmas Parade on December 7 with a beautiful float, treats and handouts about our Christmas Services and school. **All participants will meet at St. John's at 5 pm and go as a group down to the parade line up.** After the parade, we will gather in the meeting room at church to "warm-up" with fellowship, hot cocoa, and treats. Church and school people of all ages are welcome to walk in the parade or ride on the float to promote our church and school.

You are welcome to join with St. John's as we participate in the Burlington Christmas Parade on December 7. All who are walking with our parade float (the youngest will be able to ride) should meet at the St. John's parking lot at 5:00pm. We will leave together to get to our float by 5:30pm. Children should be accompanied and transported by an adult. Everyone is encouraged to wear their jingle bells shirts and be ready to sing Christmas carols. Remember to dress for the cold night as we will be outside for quite awhile. You are also welcome to come back to St. John's after the parade for warm fellowship, cocoa, cider, and treats.

Spelling Bee

St. John's annual school spelling bee for grades 5-8 will take place on Friday, December 21 at 9:30. This year's participants will be announced on Friday. Parents are welcome to attend.

Mid-Term Reports We are already about halfway through the second quarter. If you would like a quick snapshot of your child's progress, please log into your TADS account to view a progress status. With just a few clicks, parents and students can see a listing of every assignment recorded in each subject and any notes about that work. Please note that the school will not be printing mid-terms since they are available online. If you are in need of a printed copy, please contact the homeroom teacher.

Christmas Service Treat Bags

St. John's will be providing treat bags for the children following the Children's Worship Service held on December 16. We are seeking donations of candy, snacks, fruit, or fun treats for the bags. In keeping with the celebration of our Lord's birth, please refrain from any Santa items. Donations may be dropped off in the box located in the meeting room. All donations need to be received by December 9. Please contact Terri Edmundson (262) 767-7409 with any questions.

Calendar Events

December 5	-9:30am Power Hour -3:30 Jr. Bells Play -3:30 & 6:30pm Advent Worship
December 6	-"Diamond" Day
December 7	-8:10am School Chapel -6:30pm Burlington Christmas Parade
December 9	-8 & 10:30am Worship & Communion
December 10	-3:05pm School Choirs -4:00pm Bells/Chimes -6:30pm Worship & Communion
December 12	-3:30pm Jr. Choir Sings -3:30 & 6:30pm Advent Worship

December 16—Children's Christmas Service

December 19—Chimers Play at 3:30 Advent Service

Children's Christmas Worship Service

The Children's Christmas Worship Service is being planned for Sunday, December 16, at 4:00pm. If your child will not be able to attend, please notify your child's teacher as soon as possible. We are looking forward to having every child being a part of this very special worship.

Visit from SLHS

Paul Huebner will be visiting the students of 8th grade on Friday, December 7. The individual meetings will begin at 10:15 am. Parents that are interested in attending the meeting with their child should contact the school office or Principal Avery to set up a time that is convenient.

Jr. Choir Sings

Our Jr. Choir will be singing during the 3:30 Advent worship on December 12. Students are to meet in the church balcony at 3:20.

SCRIP

A great way to earn tuition credit and purchase Christmas gifts is by ordering Scrip. Consider your shopping and gift card needs and be sure to submit your orders. The last day to place your order for Christmas delivery is Monday, December 17. Information about the Scrip program can be found on our website at www.sjtjohnsburlington.org/scrip.

Shop & Earn

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the same shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. St. John's Lutheran School, Burlington, is a Charity you can select. Remember, if you want Amazon to donate to St. John's Lutheran School, Burlington, you need to start each shopping session at the URL <http://smile.amazon.com>, and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases. Use this link (<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-0833614>) to set St. John's as your chosen organization. The link can be shared with others who may want to choose St. John's as well.

Holiday Office Hours

The church and school offices will be open limited hours during the Christmas break. In case of emergency, please contact Pastor Kirk Lahmann (262-210-2018) or Pastor Daniel Waldschmidt (414-336-9627).

Regular office hours begin Thursday, January 3, 2019.

Lost & Found Items

Please check the school and church lost and found. We will be donating any items left to Love, Inc. at Christmas break. Thank you.

Cold Weather Dress

Now that cooler weather is here, students should have the proper outerwear when going outside for recess. As the colder/winter season approaches, students in grades K-4 will be required to wear boots, snow pants, hats and mittens when playing in the snow. If a student forgets or doesn't wear boots or snow pants, he or she will be allowed to go outside, but will not be allowed to play in the snow. Students in grades 5-8 will be required to wear boots when playing in the snow. Students will be going outside unless it is raining or sub-zero temperatures are present.

Inclement Weather

When the weather may necessitate the closing of school, we suggest that you listen to or watch channels 4, 6, 12 or 58 from Milwaukee or check their websites for school closing information. You may also receive an email or text message from TADS if you registered for this alert service. St. John's will close if the Burlington School system closes. It is possible that, in extreme conditions, St. John's may close even if the Burlington District remains open.