



## Our Mission:

Hope Lutheran School's mission is to support and enrich family life through an education rooted in God's word, the source of love, understanding, and forgiveness.

## Upcoming Events

- ✓ **Jan. 20** ~ End of second quarter
- ✓ **Jan. 24** ~ Auction Committee Meeting, 7:00, technology rm.
- ✓ **Jan. 25** ~ Report cards go home
- ✓ **Jan. 26** ~ Ice skating, grades K-6
- ✓ **Jan. 28** ~ Father Daughter Winter Ball
- ✓ **Feb. 6** ~ Pre-enrollment begins
- ✓ **Feb. 10** ~ Noon release for grades K-6, no Pre-K
- ✓ **Feb. 17** ~ Mid-Term
- ✓ **Feb. 20** ~ President's Day, no school
- ✓ **Feb. 21** ~ SILT Teachers' Conference, no school
- ✓ **Mar. 4-10** ~ Lutheran Schools Week
- ✓ **Mar. 5** ~ Open enrollment begins
- ✓ **Mar. 8** ~ Open House and Academic Fair, 6:30-8:00
- ✓ **Mar. 17** ~ Dinner & Auction



**WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAISE** ~ Beginning Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, we will have Wednesday Morning Praise (this is in addition to our current Monday Morning Praise). Our desire is for families to join us for a time of singing and giving praise to God, and then staying for our weekly chapel time. **Please note:** On Monday and Wednesday mornings, the church front doors will be unlocked at 7:50 for entrance to the chapel. The red school doors will remain locked. (Please do not take backpacks to the classroom first.) Students arriving after 8:05 should enter the building through the west door by the office and pick up a tardy slip.

Mr. Hentzen's class will lead chapel on Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Chapel begins at 8:15.

**TARDINESS** ~ Beginning next week, the red school doors will be closed and locked promptly at 8:05. Students arriving after 8:05 (for grades K-6) should enter the building through the office door on the west side of the building. Please remember to stop by the office for a tardy slip before going to the classroom.

**PRE-ENROLLMENT FOR HOPE LUTHERAN SCHOOL BEGINS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6<sup>TH</sup>** ~ Registration information will be included in the next Family Bulletin. We are encouraging early registration so that we can begin planning for next school year. Pre-enrollment is for current school families and any new families from Hope Lutheran or St. John Lutheran Church. Open enrollment will begin March 5<sup>th</sup>.

**HOPE LUTHERAN SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AND ACADEMIC FAIR** will be held on Thursday, March 8, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to showcase the academics and programs of our school. Friends, family, and neighbors are invited to attend.

**ICE SKATING** ~ To mark the end of the second quarter, grades K-6 will go ice skating on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Field trip permission forms are included in this week's Family Folder. Please return the consent form by Tuesday, January 24. If you have your own skates, feel free to bring them.

**FRIENDSHIP FIXER** ~ Starting next week we will begin implementing our new character education curriculum called Friendship Fixer. It's a Biblically based program that focuses on conflict resolution. It gives students both the tools and the language necessary to resolve conflict. See the attached letter for more information.



**GEOGRAPHY BEE ~ Congratulations** to Marie Phelan, this year's National Geography Bee school champion at Hope Lutheran School. Marie will take a written test to qualify for the state level geography bee. Congratulations to the other finalists: Bridget Lee (second place) and Caleb Goodson (third place).

**FATHER DAUGHTER WINTER BALL** ~ Tickets are on sale for the Father Daughter Winter Ball on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Hope's Gym. A spaghetti dinner will be served. The cost is \$10.00 for dads and \$5.00 for daughters. Tickets are available in the office. All proceeds will go toward the Anchored in Christ Fundraising Campaign for the school. This event is sponsored by Hope Lutheran Church and is open to the public - so invite your friends and enjoy a special evening of dancing to the music of a live band.

**DINNER AND AUCTION** ~ Join the fun on March 17<sup>th</sup> at the Shilo Convention Center. Tickets will go on sale January 27<sup>th</sup>.

The dinner and auction is a major fundraiser for our school. ***In order to make this event successful, we need your help!!*** The more people involved, the lower the workload and the more fun we will have at this annual event. At the auction, there will be door prizes, raffle items, silent auction items, a dessert auction, and a live auction. Would you help solicit donations from businesses in our community to donate items for our auction from vendors? A list of previous donors is posted in the main school hallway. Just sign your name next to the businesses you plan to contact. Introductory letters and donation forms are posted next to the sign-up sheet and may also be picked up in the office. DiAnn will be happy to answer any questions you have about how to use the forms.

If you have questions or would like to help with auction preparations, please contact Whitney S., Ed R., Anna T., or Cherie P. Thank you for your support.

**ANNUAL SPRING DINNER AND AUCTION** ~ Preparations are underway for Hope Lutheran School's Annual Dinner and Auction to be held March 17, 2012. This is a fun and exciting fund raising event for the school. We invite school parents to help us prepare classroom baskets. A list of suggested basket items will be posted outside each classroom on Monday. But feel free to bring items that are not listed. We only ask that you list your donation so that we can avoid duplications. If you wish, a monetary donation can be made and someone from the auction committee will do your shopping for you. ☺ Basket items may be dropped off any time at the school office, and all items are due by February 17<sup>th</sup>.



Also, if you have questions or would like to help with auction preparations, please contact DiAnn in the office. Thank you for your help and support! The baskets assigned to each grade are: \* *Pre-school* – Winter Time \* *Pre-K* – Family Fun Night \* *Red Team* – Fiesta \* *White Team* – Italian \* *Blue Team* – Chocolate

*Please consider purchasing any basket gift cards from Scrip.*

**AUCTION SPECIAL RAFFLE TICKETS** will go on sale January 27<sup>th</sup>. The cost is 1 ticket for \$10 or 3 for \$25. Drawings for the special raffle items will be the night of the auction. Winners do not need to be present. Three items will be raffled off to three lucky winners. Winners get to select the item of choice from remaining items, which include: ★ an iPad ★ a Droid Tablet; or ★ \$250 in Scrip Cards of your choice.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING CHAPEL** ~ In an effort to help our children understand that a personal offering is our response to God's blessings in our life, we use their weekly chapel offerings to help other mission organizations meet their goals. Blue envelopes are included in the Family Folder so your children can participate in this act of worship. Second quarter chapel offerings will support the mission work of Pastor Ryll in Hungary. Chapel offerings collected so far this quarter total \$84.28.

**OPERETTA** ~ Our annual operetta is scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup>. This year's operetta is "First Action Heroes". Rehearsals are scheduled each Wednesday after school in the chapel. *All lines must be memorized no later than March 1.*

#### Rehearsal Schedule

January 18	Entire Cast
January 25	Entire Cast
February 1	Narrators
February 8	Shark and Snake
February 15	Tyler, Carl, James, Jenna, Tori
February 22	Ranger Clark, Ned
February 29	David, Esther, Joseph, Joshua
March 7	Narrators, Ranger, Ned, Shark, Snake, Tyler, Carl, James, Jenna, Tori
March 14	Narrators, Ranger, Ned, Tyler, Carl, James, Jenna, Tori, David, Esther, Joseph, Joshua
March 21	Narrators, Ranger, Ned, Shark, Snake, Tyler, Carl, James, Jenna, Tori
March 28	Narrators, Ranger, Ned, Tyler, Carl, James, Jenna, Tori, David, Esther, Joseph, Joshua
April 4	Entire Cast
April 11	Entire Cast
April 12	Entire Cast Final Rehearsal
April 13	Operetta Night!