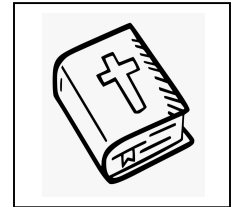


# Cougar Tracks



Mission Statement: St. John's Lutheran School provides quality Christ-centered education for the congregation and community to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ.

*Matthew 28:18-20*

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## **I love to tell the story of Jesus and His Love**

**“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.” Colossians 3:16**

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**BIRTHDAYS:** **Students-**10/28- Samuel Biffar & Alan Wolter, 10/30- Colton Albert, 11/3- Lucy Kuehn, 11/4- Olivia Candler.  
**Staff-** 10/30- Julie Ratz

### **LUNCH:**

Thur. Oct. 29- Hotdog on bun, tator tots, pineapple, jello and milk  
Fri. Oct. 30- Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, pears and milk  
Mon. Nov. 2- Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, corn, applesauce and milk  
Tues. Nov. 3- No school/Office closed  
Wed. Nov. 4- Chicken noodle soup, carrots, rolls, applesauce and milk  
Thur. Nov. 5- Pizza, salad, peaches, cake and milk  
Fri. Nov. 6- No school- remote learning day  
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### **ACOLYTES:**

Saturday, Oct. 31- 5pm- Grayson Herriman

Sunday, Nov. 1- 8am- Bruce Quinn

Sunday, Nov. 1- 10:30am- Olivia Geraldts

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Oct. 31- Trunk or Treat at school, 6pm-8pm  
Nov. 3- No school/office closed- Election Day  
Nov. 6- No school- Remote learning day  
Nov. 11- No school/office closed- Veterans Day  
Nov. 24- Picture retake day  
Nov. 26 & 27- No School/Office closed- Thanksgiving

**PTL MEETING CANCELED FOR NOVEMBER:** The PTL meeting that was scheduled for November has been canceled. The next meeting will be February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021!! Mark your calendars.

**SCHOOL PICTURES:** School pictures went home last week. There was a bit of a mix up on picture day and we have not gotten all the student's picture packets yet. Classes were not sorted by Lifetouch like normal, so please double check your packets to make sure you do not have another students' pictures. **If you did not receive your student's pictures, we advise calling Lifetouch directly.** Sorry for any inconvenience this might cause! Picture retake day will be November 24<sup>th</sup>. This will also be the day that 3 year old preschool gets their pictures taken if they have not done so yet.

**COVID- 19 UPDATE:** Happy to report no new cases!! 3<sup>rd</sup> grade returned today and Kindergarten and 8<sup>th</sup> grade will return on Nov. 2. Below you will find our current stats!

Students that are positive: 3

Staff that are positive: 1

Students under quarantine\*\*: 45

Staff that are under quarantine: 1

\*\* We only count students that are under quarantine that are school-related. Sometimes we might have students that are under quarantine because of their parents, or another relative that is either positive or under quarantine. We do not count those students unless they test positive as well.

**Please know that the school wants to keep everyone safe and healthy!!!**

**RIGHT NOW MEDIA:** Recently at the PTL meeting the staff of St. John's asked them to cover the cost of our subscription to RightNow Media. It's like the "Netflix of Videos and Bible Studies" and has an extensive library of faith-based videos that you can access whenever and wherever you want—on your phone, iPad, computer, classroom projector or at home on your TV. An introductory email with the link to create your account will be sent on Friday, Oct. 30 at noon. This service is provided to you as the parents and you can set-up access on whatever devices you choose. This is a Christian based video/Bible study service and other Lutheran Schools do use it; however, it's content may not always align with the teachings of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART PRIZES:** Jump Rope for Heart prizes from last years have been handed out. If you did not get them yesterday they will come home today!

**DRESS CODE:** With cooler temperatures coming we want to remind you to please follow the dress code. Please see the excerpt from the school handbook.

***\*\*Leggings and tight athletic pants/capris (spandex or stretchy material of any kind) can only be worn underneath skirts and dresses that are no shorter than three inches above the knee for Grades Pre-K through 8th grade. June, 2017***

**FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH:** If you would like to apply for the free/reduced lunch program please contact the school office. **This is something that must be done every year.** If you were eligible last school year it will go through October of 2020, then you would need to reapply for the remainder of the year. Thank you!

**HEALTHY HABITS:** We want to remind everyone of the importance of healthy habits! The best ways to prevent the spread of any illness is by washing hands, wearing face masks, disinfecting common areas and staying home when sick. If your child has a fever, vomiting, or is developing concerning symptoms, keep them home. Students who have a fever or are sick are not to return to school until 24 hours after being fever free without medication or sickness has dissipated. Continue to encourage children to wash hands regularly, sanitize after blowing their noses and sneeze or cough into the arm of their shirts or a tissue. We are disinfecting doorknobs, push bars, railings, and hard surfaces daily to keep everyone as safe and germ free as possible!

**BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE:** Mrs. Cindy Nebel and Mr. Bill Becker will be the directors for our before/after school care program this year. The program will proceed as in the past during school days. **On remote learning days and no school days care will NOT be available.** There will be **NO** After School Care on the following days **Nov. 25, Dec. 22 and April 1.** If you have any questions it is best to contact Mrs. Nebel via e mail, [cnebel@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:cnebel@stjohnsredbud.org) or Mr. Becker via email, [becker@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:becker@stjohnsredbud.org) or FastDirect. Monthly charges will be posted onto your FastDirect accounts. Please make checks out to St. John's Lutheran Before/After School Care.

**JR YOUTH:** Junior Youth will be packing Operation Christmas Child boxes in November. Start collecting small items now such as school supplies, small toys, socks, gloves, etc. For more ideas, check out <http://www.samitaranspurse.org>. Please check out the Junior Youth of St. John's Lutheran in Red Bud Facebook page for more information on Junior Youth activities. Junior Youth is for grades 4 to 8 for those who attend St. John's Lutheran school or are members of the church. For more information, contact Jennifer Roscow at 618-972-5366 (text or call) or [mroscow@htc.net](mailto:mroscow@htc.net).

## Red Ribbon Week

**Thursday: We are "red"y to say no to drugs!!**

Wear red or your school themed shirt to unite as a school during Red Ribbon Week to stand up against drugs.

**Friday: We're not falling for drugs!!**

Wear you favorite fall or Halloween shirt!

