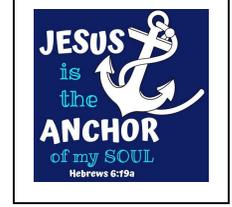


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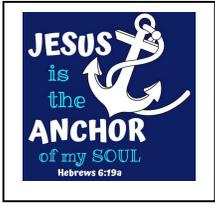
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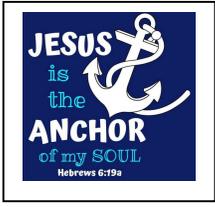
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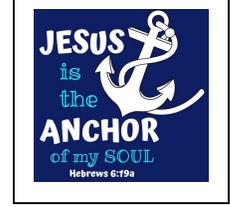
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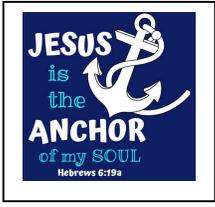
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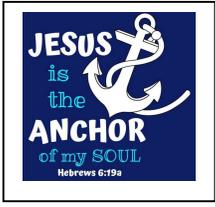
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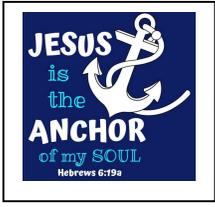
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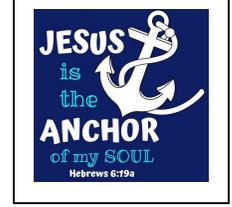
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Wed. Aug. 25- Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, salad, peaches, garlic bread and milk
Thur. Aug. 26- Chicken & noodles, peas, banana, roll and milk
Fri. Aug. 27- Grilled ham and cheese, green beans, mixed fruit, cake and milk
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ACOLYTES:

Sat. Aug. 21, 5pm- Jack Crafton

Sun. Aug. 22, 8am- Lilly Minemann
Sun. Aug. 22, 10:30am- Barrett Wagner

Sat. Aug. 28- 5pm- Colby Voss

Sun. Aug. 29- 8am- Eve Schwartzkopf
Sun. Aug. 29- 10:30am- Samantha Kuehner

Sat. Sept. 4- 5pm- Shamus Korves

Sun. Sept. 5- 8am- Blayton Sutton
Sun. Sept. 5- 10:30am- Ian Moll

Sat. Sept. 11- 5pm- Liam Quintin

Sun. Sept. 12- 8am- Austin Kiefer
Sun. Sept. 12- 10 :30am- Brodie Stenzel

Sat. Sept. 18- 5pm- Ayden Wiegard

Sun. Sept. 19- 8am- Luke Kennedy
Sun. Sept. 19- 10:30am- Landon Ruebusch

Sat. Sept. 25- 5pm- Ava Clifford

Sun. Sept. 26- 8am- Brody Stellhorn
Sun. Sept. 26- 10:30am- Olivia Valleroy

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thur. Aug. 19- SB/BB vs. PDR, 4:15pm
Sun. Aug. 22- Sunday School Rally Day, 9:30am
Tues. Aug. 24- SB/BB @ Steeleville, 4:15pm
Thur. Aug. 26- BB vs. "B" Chester Lutheran, 4:15pm
SB vs. RBC/SPPCS Co-Op, 4:15pm

Sun. Aug. 29- Sr. Youth BBQ @ School, 10:30am
Thur. Sept. 2- SB/BB vs. Chester Lutheran, 4 :15
Fri. Sept. 3- No School, LESA Workshop
Sat. Sept. 4- CC @ Pinckneyville
Mon. Sept. 6- No school/Office Closed, Labor Day

CLASS OF 2024 MUM SALE: MUM SALE: The 6th grade, Class of 2024, is selling mums!! Colors are Yellow, Orange, Purple, Red, Bronze, White and they are \$8 each. Orders are due September 1st with pre-order pick up on Thursday, September 9th from 2:30-7pm. Your order and payment can be turned into the office or to any 6th grade family. If you have questions, please contact Jamie Korando at 618-615-2818.

SECRET ANGELS: If you are willing to be a Secret Angel for an 8th grade student (day school or public school), please contact Pastor. You will pray for that student and encourage that student with regular notes and small gifts and large gifts on special occasions. Pastor will give you an information sheet to help you get to know your student.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY: This Sunday, August 22 we will kick off the fall Sunday School program with Rally Day. We will gather in the new gym at school at 9:30 a.m. We will have an opening devotion, snack & drink, and fun outside weather permitting. We will end around 10:10 a.m. Students will meet their teachers. We will begin regular classes on August 29. The current plan includes using classrooms in the older part of the building. Students should come in through the doors on the northside of the school facing East South Sixth Street. At this time masks are left to the discretion of each family but are strongly recommended.

REMINDER: Just a reminder that doors do not open until 7:45am. If you need to drop your children off before that time they can go to Before School Care.

BUS RIDERS: Please remind your children that masks are REQUIRED on the buses. They need to be worn at all times while riding.

PARENTS/VISITORS AT SCHOOL: Because of the rising number of COVID-19 cases, we will limit parents coming in to school. Parents will not be allowed to enter the building. Like last year, we will ask parents to stay in the vestibule to drop off items or to pick their children up for appointments.

PARKING/DISMISSAL: We will continue to line up in the U pattern in the parking lot lanes, just like we did last year. You can use the lane on the south side of the lot next to the ditch to make sure everyone gets off the highway. When the students have dismissed, please walk to the school sidewalk get your children and bring them to your car. **NO CARS WILL BE ALLOWED TO MOVE UNTIL ALL STUDENTS ARE LOADED.** When all students are loaded the lines will be allowed to merge into a single lane to exit onto E.S. Sixth Street through the west Daycare lot (please be in the right lane only for this option) or to make a right turn onto Route 3 North (right turn only please!). The safety of our students is most important to us. Please call Mrs. Schneider if you have any concerns. Please share this information with others that may pick up your children.

CHAPEL SERVICES: Chapel services in the future will be held in the new gym. One parent/guest of each student leading the service may attend on that date. The services will be live streamed for others who would like to attend virtually. Just a reminder to send in gifts/offerings with your children. These gifts/offerings are given as donations to other organizations and last year we were able to give \$430 to each of them.

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. Our hours have changed slightly to coincide with day care. Before school care hours are 6:00am - 7:45am. **After school care hours are from the time of dismissal until 5:30pm.** Parents that have a child in daycare and BASC may use the daycare door entrance door number 11. All other BASC students will use the North bus door number 8 for drop off and pick up unless pick up is before 4:00pm, then you may use the main office door. A doorbell has been installed at door 8. This can be used to notify staff that you are here get your children. **On no school days OR 11:20 dismissal days, care will NOT be available.** There will be **NO** After School Care on the following days **Fri. Sept. 24, Fri. Nov. 5, Fri. Jan. 28, Fri. Feb. 18, and Fri. March 25.** If you have any questions it is best to contact Mrs. Nebel via e mail, cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org or Mr. Becker via email, 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.

FREE & REDUCED LUNCH: Free and reduced lunch is available. All children in households receiving benefits from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and/or are foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals regardless of your income. Low-cost meals are available if your household income is within the reduced priced limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart. Forms can be found in the office. If you were receiving free or reduced lunch last year, you will have to complete a new form again for this year.

SCHOOL PHYSICALS: Just a reminder...the following grades need new/updated physicals and or vision and eye exams. Please send these into the office as soon as possible. We must have these in the student's files for them to attend school.
Physical- Kindergarten and 6th grade
Vision- Kindergarten and enrolling in school for the first time
Dental- Kindergarten, 2nd grade and 6th grade

EARLY PICK UP OR LATE DROP OFF: If you need to pick your child up from school early, please let us know in the office. When you arrive at school, pull up to door #1 so we can see you and call the office to let us know you are here. We will call your child down from their classroom, sign them out and send them outside. If you drop your child off late, please pull up to door #1 and call the school office. We will sign them in. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

COUGAR TRACKS: Cougar Tracks will go out every Wednesday via Fast Direct. Please let me know if you would like a **paper copy** sent home with your child or if you would like them to be mailed to your **personal email address**. Thank you, Jessica.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL: If you child needs to take any sort of medication or antibiotic while at school we **MUST** have a form completed by the child's doctor. This includes Tylenol and Ibuprofen. If you have questions, please contact the school office.

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, 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!

Please see the note below from Red Bud Dist. 132 Superintendent Jonathan Tallman:

As I have communicated previously, **our district is strongly recommending wearing a mask.** At this point, I don't believe anyone's mind will be changing on this issue. Communities across the state, and even the country are being split apart over masks, and it's extremely unfortunate. That being said, **I'd like to share one benefit of wearing one within our buildings.** If your child is wearing a mask, and through contact tracing, was found to be sitting near a positive student who was also wearing a mask, the distance of separation to be considered a close contact is only 3ft. If we would have had that as a distance last year, with universal masking, there would have been hardly any students sent home due to being a close contact. It's important to note, that for the 3ft of separation, both the positive student and your child would need to be wearing a mask. If only one student is, the distance is 6ft for a close contact. As a parent, that's a significant difference, and something to really consider when making the decision whether or not to wear a mask. The issue of contact tracing, close contacts, and quarantines are still with us, and like last year can potentially be a tremendous inconvenience to you and disrupt the learning process with your child.

We will also be emphasizing with our students that there will be no "mask shaming" within our buildings. **The decision to wear a mask or not to wear one should not be judged in any way. We are a close-knit community, and a pillar of our community is a collective spirit of support.** I hope you will help us promote that by reminding your child how important that is before we begin school tomorrow.