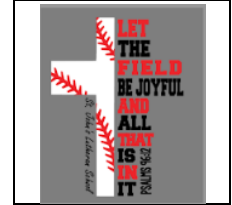


# Cougar Tracks



**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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**Joyful in the Field**  
**Let the field joyful, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the woods will rejoice.**  
**Psalm 96:12**

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**BIRTHDAYS:** **Students** – 5/18 – Wyatt Clifford, 5/20 – Oaklyn Kempfer & Beau Shields. **Staff** – No Staff Birthdays this week.

**LUNCH:**

Thurs. May 18 – Taco meat w/chips, lettuce, cheese, apple crisp, and milk.  
Fri. May 19 – Hot dog on bun, chips, orange slices, ice cream, and milk.  
Mon. May 22 – Last Day of School, 11am dismissal, No Lunch.  
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**ACOLYTES:**

Sat. May 20 – 5pm – Hollis Wolfmeier

Sat. May 28 – 5pm – Kendall Crafton

Sat. June 3 – 5pm – Lucas McCarthy

Sat. June 10 – 5pm – Landon Kilpatrick

Sun. May 21 – 8am- Charlie Muench  
Sun. May 21 – 10:30am – Sage Pensoneau  
Sun. May 29 – 8am – Claire Carnahan  
Sun. May 29 – 10:30am – Macie Brown  
Sun. June 4 – 8am – Charlie Muench  
Sun. June 4 – 10:30am – Tessa Stenzel  
Sun. June 11 – 8am – Sydney Kassing  
Sun. June 11 – 10:30am – Ella Cowell

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Wed. May 17** – Sports Awards Night – 6:30pm  
**Thurs. May 18** – Graduation – 7pm, Old Gym  
**Fri. May 19** – 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade to Randolph Co Lake

**Sat. May 20** – LSA Track Meet  
**Mon. May 22** – Last Day of School

**SPOTS AWARDS NIGHT:** Our end of the year sports award night will be held Wed. May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the old gym. All student athletes will be honored at this event.

**GRADUATION:** Will be held Thurs. May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the old gym. Cake will be served following the ceremony. Congratulations to Jenna Whelan for designing the winning cover for this years program.

**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ATTENDANCE:** May 19<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students do not need to be in attendance. We do invite them to attend on May 22<sup>nd</sup> when we hand out awards and do last day of school activities.

**END OF THE YEAR:** Our last day of school for the 2022-2023 school year will be Mon. May 22<sup>nd</sup>. School will dismiss at 11am that morning. Lunch will not be served and after-school care will not be available. 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and all year awards will be awarded at chapel that morning.

**SINGING IN CHURCH:** Please see the attached note regarding grades K-2 singing in church on Sun. May 21st. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hudak.

**YEAR END PAYMENTS:** As we reach the end of the school year please be sure to review account balances in fast direct. It is very important that all accounts are settled before the end of the school year. If you have any questions please reach out to the office. Debit and credit card payments can now be made in the school office or over the phone.

**2022-2023 YEARBOOK ORDERS:** Order forms for 2022-2023 yearbooks were sent home this week. Yearbooks are \$25 each and are due by May 19<sup>th</sup>. Please use the attached form to order. Additional forms are available in the office.

**SINGING AT THE CARDINALS GAME:** On Fri. Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> our students will sing “God Bless America” at the Cardinals game. The Cardinals will play the New York Mets at 7:15pm. Tickets are \$30 each and are located in sections 129-132. Tickets can be ordered using the attached form.

**AGPS COLLECTION:** Our student hymnal, All Gods People Sing, is no longer in print. At the request of our worship committee we would like to continue using the hymnal in years to come. Therefore, we are asking students that have a copy to leave it at school at the end of the year. These hymnals will be kept as classroom sets in individual classrooms so they can be used in the future. Thank You!

**LOST AND FOUND:** A table has been set up in the new gym lobby with items lost throughout the year. Please either stop by or have your student(s) check for any items that might belong to them.

**PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:** The following links can be used for pre-school and kindergarten registration for 2023-2024. <https://forms.gle/AJH6vqGQMJVZsDMK8> (Preschool) and <https://forms.gle/gX3mzyr6svuo85XK9> (Kindergarten)

**1<sup>ST</sup> DAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** We have once again partnered with 1<sup>st</sup> Day School Supplies to provide supply boxes for the 2023-2024 school year. Orders can be placed now-July 1<sup>st</sup>. Prices vary based on what grade your student will be in. To order visit [www.1stdayschoolsupplies.com](http://www.1stdayschoolsupplies.com) or scan the QR code included in the attached flyer.

**VBS:** Save the date for this years Vacation Bible School – June 12-16<sup>th</sup> from 9-11am each day. VBS is open to all children who have finished 3-year-old pre-k through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. No fee required, but donations are welcome. Please use the following link to sign up: <https://vbsmate.com/StJohnsRedBudIL> If you have any questions please contact Mr. Becker.

**RBHS GOLF:** Open practice for boys and girls golf teams will be every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30am at North County Country Club. That time is usually spent playing some holes. Golf is FREE on those days. Those interested in playing are invited to join the team remind groups. Boys golf text 81010 @rbhsboysg, girls golf text 81010 @rbhsggolf. Golf team tryouts will being the morning of Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> at North County Country Club. If you have any questions please reach out to coach Quigley at 618-282-3858 or via email [bquigley@redbud132.org](mailto:bquigley@redbud132.org)

**BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE:** Mrs. Cindy Nebel, Mr. Bill Becker, and Mrs. Rachel Miller are the directors for our before/after school care program this year. The program will process as in the past during school days. 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 to get your children. If you have any questions it is best to contact Mrs. Nebel via email at [cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org) or Mr. Becker at [becker@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:becker@stjohnsredbud.org) or through FastDirect. Charges will be posted monthly to your FastDirect account, and reminder emails will be sent once charges are posted. Payments can be made either through FastDirect or via check dropped off to the school office made payable to St. John’s Lutheran Before/After School Care.

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

-Book Night/Registration Night for the 2023-2024 school year will be held Wed. July 12<sup>th</sup> from 4-7pm.

**8<sup>th</sup> GRADE TRIP RECAP:** To view our students perspective of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip please visit the following link or click on the QR code included below. <https://tinyurl.com/35nxse72>

**THANK YOU:**

-Thank you to the St. John’s students for singing my favorite Preschool song at my retirement celebration. I would also like to thank the parents for bringing your child to sing and for your contribution towards the gift cards, script cards and the stained glass window. I am looking forward to the next chapter in my life, but I will miss being with the children every day. *Mrs. Cindy Steele*

-Thank you to the PTL for a wonderful Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you for the delicious food, gifts, happy hour, and arranging for lunch and recess coverage. It was a wonderful week! *Faculty and Staff*



St. John's Lutheran School

Field Performance at Busch Stadium

The students of SJL will be singing

"God Bless America"

**August 18, 2023 (Friday)**

**Cardinals vs Mets**

@ 7:15p

**Ticket price - \$30**

Ticket Valued at \$61

**Section 129 - 132**

**You are encouraged to invite extended family**

Please complete bottom section of this form and send your payment to reserve tickets:

*St. John's Lutheran School*

*SJL Cardinals Game*

*808 South Main Street*

*Red Bud, IL 62278*

*Tickets will be delivered to you after purchase*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$30 per ticket)

Number of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ (Please order together if you would like to sit with a particular group)

Yes, my child will be singing on the field \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsored by St. John's Lutheran School Class of 2025**

Checks may be written to St. John's Lutheran School

Questions: Contact Beth Kilpatrick (618)316-0286



Order Your...  
**YEARBOOK**



Place your order using the form below for your 2022-2023 yearbook.

Yearbooks are \$25. Checks can be made out to "St. John's Lutheran School."

Order forms and payment should be returned to the school office by May 19, 2023.



Student Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Yearbooks: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use Only: Credit in Fast Direct  
Yearbook Picked Up

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip Recap



Scan Me!



Pictured are the 26 eighth grade students of St. John's Lutheran School, the 41 adult chaperones, and Congressman Michael Bost at the U.S. Capitol building. The group recently returned from their yearly class trip April 14-21, 2023. You can see more about this trip with either the QR code (using the camera on your phone hover over the code and a link to the presentation will appear.) or type in the URL link provided. The students created a Google Presentation before the trip to learn about the places that were visited.. Upon returning the students added pictures and other information to the presentations. Mr. Bill Becker was the tour director and Mrs. Deitt Schneider assisted with the largest group that has gone on the trip in the school's history.

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*K-2 Grade Choirs Singing in Church!!!*

*Dear Parents of Students in Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade,*

Let's finish the 2022-2023 school year with singing! After a very successful musical, the students are working on new songs to sing in church the last 2 Sundays in May before school lets out.

**On Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, Grades K-2 will sing the song "This Is A Joyous, Happy Day" in the 10:30 service.**

Both groups of students will sing **from the balcony (which I will reserve for them and their teachers.)** **They will sing near the beginning of the service between the Collect and the Old Testament reading.** I will have songsheets available for anyone who needs them!!!

**In order to get a good turn-out, I am enclosing a permission slip for you to print off indicating whether or not your students can sing.** Please fill out the one(s) applicable to your child(ren) and have them turn it into me. You can also let me know by FastDirect, phone call, text message, email, or word of mouth! Thank you and I look forward to hearing the students sing!

Mrs. Lindey Hudak

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My K-2 child(ren), \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_,

(please circle one) **will**     **will not**    be present to sing on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> @ 10:30 AM

(Parent's signature) \_\_\_\_\_



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**Save the Date**  
**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN**  
**Vacation Bible School**

*June 12-16, 2023*

**9a.m.-11a.m.**

**St. John's Lutheran Church**

Children who have just finished 3 year old Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade

No Fee Required-Donations Welcome

Questions can be directed to: Bill Becker 618-282-2958 (cell #)

Please signup using this link:

<https://vbsmate.com/StJohnsRedBudIL>

**Come Join In The Fun!**  
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