



# 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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## Seek First the Kingdom

**“But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” Matthew 6:33**

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Birthdays: Students- **3/27** Owen Hamilton **3/28** Vivian Breier **3/29** Briar Buescher **3/30** Molly Kuehn **3/31** Evan Burch, Tripp Fleming, Brooke Wolter, **4/2** Kiffin Kaiser, Clay Zeller **4/3** Tate Markotay | Staff- **3/28** Nicki Kadlec

### LUNCH:

Wed. March 27 Deli sandwich, carrots, chips, banana, and milk.  
Thurs. March 28 Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, applesauce, and milk.  
Fri. March 29 No school  
Mon, April 1 No school  
Tues. April 2 Pancake, sausage, hashbrown, yogurt w/fruit, and milk.  
Wed. April 3 Cheeseburger noodles, green beans, peaches, roll, and milk.  
Thurs. April 4 Chicken nuggets, French fries, apple slices, Oreo pudding, and milk  
Fri. April 5 Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, apple salad, and milk.

### Acolytes:

Sat. March 23 5pm-Landonn Bumann  
Sun. March 24 8am-Tessa Stenzel  
Sun. March 24 10:30am-Wiley Minemann  
Thurs. March 28 7pm Kade Liefer  
Fri. March 29 7pm Ella Cowell  
Thurs. March 28 8:30am-Athena Wolfmeier  
Fri. March 29 8:30am-Joey Biffar  
Sat. March 30 5:00pm-Layla Kilpatrick  
Sun. March 31 6:30am-Addy Schloemann  
Sat. April 6 5:00pm-Brynlee Liefer  
Sun. March 31 10:30pm-Kade Liefer  
Sun. April 7 8am-Jacob Liefer  
Sun. April 7 10:30am-Athena Wolfmeier  
Sun. April 14 8am-Charlie Muench  
Sun. April 14 10:30pm-Wiley Minemann  
Sat. April 13 5:00pm-Sydney Kassing

### WHAT'S GOING ON AT SCHOOL:

3-28 Track meet at RBHS  
3-29 **Good Friday No School; Office closed.**  
4-1 **Easter Monday No School; Office closed. 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent meeting at 5:30 pm in school cafeteria for class trip.**  
4-3 SR OVC Track meet @ Chester HS

### CHAPEL SCHEDULE:

Thurs. March 28 Maundy Thursday 8:30 am @ church (All School)  
Wed. April 3 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Chapel @ church led by Rev. Dan Ostlund  
Fri. April 5 ECC Chapel @ church led by Mr. Palm

MATERNITY LEAVE NOTE: Ms. Sara continues her maternity leave. During this time, please direct all emails to [office@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:office@stjohnsredbud.org). Fast Direct and Remind messages can be directed to Mr. Palm and/or Ms. Wilson or directly to your child's teacher. We welcome Gentry Joy Shepherd to our St. John's family!

SINGING AT THE CARDINALS GAME: As in years past our students will have the opportunity to sing “God Bless America” at the St. Louis Cardinals game on Fri. July 26<sup>th</sup>. Students will sing before the game, which begins at 7:15pm and will be played against the Washington Nationals. Tickets are \$30 each and seats are in sections 169-170. Proceeds from ticket sales will benefit the Class of 2025. Please complete the attached ticket form and return with payment to the school office. Physical tickets will be distributed once they arrive.

Congratulations: To our girls' volleyball team for winning 4<sup>th</sup> place in the State tournament this past Saturday in Herrin! School history was achieved as no other team has advanced this far before!

**Achievement Testing:** Testing will be the week of April 22-26. Please avoid doctor, ortho, dental appointments during this week.

**BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE:** Mrs. Cindy Nebel, Mr. Bill Becker, and Mrs. Rachel Miller will serve as the directors of our before & after school program this year. This year the music room will serve as the BASC room, students may enter through door 8 where a doorbell is installed. Students with a sibling in daycare may enter through the daycare door. Before school care hours are 6-7:45am, and after care hours are 2:45-5:30pm. Students are asked to bring their own breakfast/snacks. There will be no after school care on 11:20 dismissal days, March 28<sup>th</sup>, and the last day of school (date TBD). Charges are billed at \$5.00/hour with a ¼ minimum charge. Charges will be posted monthly via Fast Direct and can be paid via cash, check, or with a credit/debit card. A 10% multi-child discount will be applied. If your account balances surpasses \$500 and is more than 60 days past due will be charged to the card kept on file in the school office. If you have any questions, please reach out to Cindy Nebel at [cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org).

**Spelling Bee:** A Spelling Contest is being sponsored by the Monroe-Randolph Regional Office of Education. It will be held on Tuesday, April 16 at Immaculate Conception School with registration at 5:45. The following students will be representing our school: in fifth grade, Grant Florreich, with Maverick Cowell being an alternate. in sixth grade, Easton Ruebusch, with Blaine Rohlfing being an alternate, in seventh grade, Ella Cowell, with Maya Macbeth being an alternate. We thank these students for their willingness to compete in the Spelling Contest and wish them God's blessings on their efforts.

**AriSon Concert:** Dear members of St. John's Lutheran Church and School, you are cordially invited to a Christian and Lutheran Concert that will be held in the new gymnasium on April 28 at 6:30 pm. We are blessed to have Jennie Williamson back in our building. She is a performer for all ages and shares the greatest message; Christ Crucified. Our students are familiar with her songs, and our teachers love her music as well! We hope to see you there! A free will cheesy mostaccioli, salad, garlic bread, and desserts supper will be held starting at 5:00 pm in the old gym.

**STEM Girls 2024:** The camp will be held June 10-14 from 9-3 each day at SWIC Red Bud Campus. This year's focus will be on physiological systems and their functions. Learn how scientists and engineers analyze and intervene in systems. Registration is open until May 3rd. Please use the QR code on the attached flyer or contact Marybeth McCormick at [mmccormick@roe45.net](mailto:mmccormick@roe45.net)

#### **Opening for a Head Cook School & Daycare**

After receiving fourteen years of wonderful service from Mrs. Jill Gross as our head cook, she will move on to new endeavors. We thank her for her dedication over the years. She has graciously offered to do one last item for the school and daycare; train her replacement. If you are interested in this position, please contact the school office Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at 618-282-3873 or [office@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:office@stjohnsredbud.org). Must have or be willing to obtain the "Food Manager's Certificate" from the State of Illinois.

**Junior Youth Easter Egg Hunt:** Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am – North side school lawn

We'll be hiding eggs for the 0-5 year old Easter egg hunt at 8:30am. Donations of filled Easter eggs for the 0-5 year olds would be wonderful! Immediately following that, we'll meet at the school pavilion for donuts.

#### **Upcoming Field Trips:**

- Fourth and Fifth grade will attend the Weather Bash at Busch Stadium on Wednesday, April 24.
- Second and Third Grade will take a field trip to the St. Louis Aquarium on Monday, May 6th. More details will come home later.

**Primary Sunday School:** The Primary Sunday School children (nursery-first grade) will sing in church on Sunday, April 14 in the 8am service. They will sing "Jesus Loves Me." The children will sit with their parents and come forward to sing when pastor announces them. After they sing, they may return to their seats. Thank you for letting your child help proclaim God's word in the church service.

**Sunday School:** We are having Sunday School this weekend March 31 at the normal time.

#### **Fundraising Opportunity:**

- See any seventh-grade student for RADA Cutlery products knives, kitchen helpers, baking pans, soup packets, cheese ball mix, and party dips. Sales will run through Easter weekend. <https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=7878376.fc7bf4>

**Art Contest Winners:** Eleven students from St. John's Lutheran School participated in the Art Contest sponsored by the Regional Office of Education on March 21. Those attending were Ms. Amanda Ruhmann, Sydney Krick 1st Illustrative Drawing, Presley Liefer 2nd Cartooning, Alexa Cheek 1st Figure Drawing, Cooper Wingerter 1st Sculpture, Kenadee Crafton 1st Still Life, Sophia Zieger 1st Illustrative Drawing, Addison Breier 1st Cartooning, Payton Liefer 2nd Figure Drawing, Kaydence Proctor 2nd Sculpture, Amelia Cheek 1st Still Life, and Hollis Wolfmeier 3rd Still Life.



St. John's Lutheran School

Field Performance at Busch Stadium

The students of SJL will be singing

"God Bless America"

**July 26th, 2024 (Friday)**

**Cardinals vs Nationals**

**@ 7:15p**

**Ticket price - \$30**

Ticket Valued at \$70

**Section 169 - 170**

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ (\$30 per ticket)

(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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Questions: Contact Beth Kilpatrick (618)318-0286



Monroe & Randolph Counties'

2024

# STEM girls Camp

We are excited for the variety of experiences we will be able to offer our campers!

**Campers will:**

- ⇒ explore the intricate physiological systems and their functions
- ⇒ learn how scientists and engineers analyze and intervene in system malfunctions

Questions?

Contact Marybeth McCormick at [mmccormick@roe45.net](mailto:mmccormick@roe45.net).

**J U N E**

**10-14**

**2024**

**9 AM - 3 PM**

**SWIC Red Bud Campus**

Registration fee: \$50.00\*



**GIRLS ENTERING 3RD-8TH GRADE IN FALL 2024 MAY APPLY.**

**REGISTRATION ACCEPTED UNTIL MAY 3  
OR UNTIL MAX NUMBER IS REACHED.**

**\*Please contact our office if you have financial hardship. 618-680-0154**

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR PASTORS!

# 50 & 60

Pastor Nebel will be 60 on 4.13

Pastor Nowak will be 50 on 4.29

Please join us

## SUN. APRIL 21ST

1 PM ————— 3 PM

St. John's Lutheran Fellowship Hall

Cake & Drinks will be served.