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**Prayer Corner**



In the prayer corner this week we pray God's blessings on the following school families: Roy and Wendy Mowbray-Alexandria 8th and Nathan 5th, Kurt and Heather Mueller-Garrett PK3, Kevin and Arlene Paiser-Jacob 7th, Hannah 5th and Jordan. We also pray God's blessings for the following church families: Jerome Baumgardt, Kent Baumgardt, and Meg Baumgardt. We pray for our brothers and sisters working with the Dominican Mission may the Lord be with them and grant them the resources they need for their mission.

**Chapel**

Our chapel theme this year is "Jesus gives me strength." Each Wednesday we gather as a school family to worship together. Chapel is led by the pastoral staff, Mr. Angell, Mr. Marose, MS students and a variety of guest speakers. Parents are always invited to join us. Our next chapel is Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 8:35 a.m. and will be led by Mr. Dave Burgess.

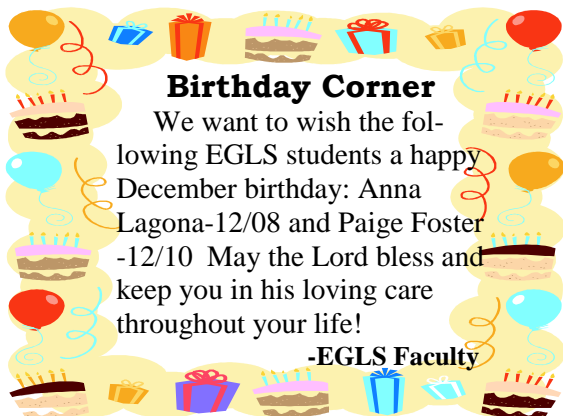
Our chapel offerings for December and January will be going to our adopted LCMS-Mission in the Dominican Republic that in addition to outreach supports two schools including one for students that mentally impaired.

## EGLS Music News

**Tuesday, December 9 @ 6:30 p.m. Instrumental Christmas Concert.**

**Wednesday, Dec. 17 @ 6:30 p.m. Children-Led Christmas Service – PK4 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, 6:10 arrival in the Fellowship Hall Wear “Christmas Finery!”**

Is it really December?? The Instrumental Christmas Concert is Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the gym. All 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade strings players will be joining the entire Middle School (grades 5-8) in a concert of sacred and secular Christmas music. This same concert will be performed at the Mitchell Park Domes on Friday, Dec. 12 at 1:00 p.m. Plan to join us either or both times for some great music. We have only one more rehearsal for the Children-Led Christmas Service. Join us for this worship service focusing on Christmas carols on Wednesday, Dec. 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. There will be no instrumental lessons next week, Dec. 8-12, because of the two concerts. Semester makeup lessons will take place on Dec. 17 and 18. Students will be told by their teachers if they need to bring their instruments.



### Birthday Corner

We want to wish the following EGLS students a happy December birthday: Anna Lagona-12/08 and Paige Foster -12/10 May the Lord bless and keep you in his loving care throughout your life!

-EGLS Faculty

### Baptismal Remembrance



Each month we remember and recognize the baptismal birthdays of the students, faculty, and staff of EGLS. This month we want to celebrate those students whose baptismal birthday is in

December: Garrett Mueller-12/1, Austin Williams-12/1, Anastasia Hoeg-12/04, Ann Wilcox-12/22 Connor Hipke-12/23, Andrea Jagusch-12/24, Mark Midtbo-12/27, Noah Schulz-12/29, Andrew Weymier-12/29. May the Lord renew your baptism each day and wash you clean of your sins. God’s blessings! We renewed these baptisms in chapel on Wednesday, December 3.

### Forensic Night

Oops! We failed to recognize all of our winners from Grades 3-5 Forensic Night. Prose winners were: 3<sup>rd</sup>-Zachary Skovgaard, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Hannah Schulz 1<sup>st</sup>-Jacob Stamm. Poetry winners were: 3<sup>rd</sup>-Mark Midtbo, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Zachary Robel, and 1<sup>st</sup>-Nathan Mowbray. Best speaker for the whole event was Nathan Mowbray. We want to congratulate all of our speakers for the wonderful presentations.

## EGLS Sports

The 5/6 boys defeated Beautiful Savior in their first game on Tuesday. The 5/6 girls played Trinity on Thursday but results were not available before going to print. The season schedules are finalized and posted on the website [www.egl.org](http://www.egl.org) under EGLS Sports, so you can check it at anytime. MLESAA league games start this Saturday, 12/6.

### Schedule

- 12/06** 7/8 boys vs. **Our Redeemer 2, 10:30 @ Zion**  
7/8 girls vs. **Mt. Olive, 12:30 pm. @ Zion**
- 12/08** 5/6 girls BB practice, 3:30-5:00 pm @ EGLS  
5/6 boys BB practice, 4:00-5:30 pm. @ Zion  
7/8 boys BB practice, 6:15-7:45 pm. @ EGLS
- 12/10** 5/6 boys BB practice, 3:30-5:00 pm. @ EGLS
- 12/11** 5/6 girls vs. St. Johns, 4:15 pm. @ EGLS  
7/8 girls BB practice, 4:00-5:30 pm. @ Zion  
7/8 boys BB practice, 6:15-7:45 pm. @ EGLS
- 12/13** 7/8 girls vs. **Our Redeemer, 10:30 @ MLHS**  
7/8 boys vs. **Immanuel, 12:30 pm. @ MLHS**

### Instrumental Christmas Concert

Our EGLS Band and Handbell Choir will present a Christmas concert on **Tuesday, December 9** at 6:30 p.m. in the gym. Parents, family, and congregation members are invited to join us for this special evening of Christmas music. These groups will also be performing on **Friday, December 12** at the Mitchell Park Domes beginning at 1:00 p.m. We hope you can come out and support these talented musicians.



### EGLS-MS Students of the Month

Each month we identify students that have demonstrated outstanding Academic Leadership or Christian Leadership. This month our winners are **Korrie Wolber-Academic** and **Aaron Huber-Christian Leadership**. Great job Korrie and Aaron!

## Elm Grove Lutheran School Hot Lunch Menu

Monday 12/08	Tuesday 12/09	Wednesday 12/10	Thursday 12/11	Friday 12/12
Hot Ham Slice, Broccoli w/ Cheese, Peaches.	Pepperoni Pizza Stick, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit Cocktail.	Egg Patty, American Cheese Slice, Potatoes, Apple.	Cheeseburger Casserole, Peas & Carrots, Pears, Bread.	Mozzarella Pizza Dippers, Corn, Orange Smiles.

### Hot Lunch News



A big thanks to our volunteers for the week of December 1: Deb Margrett, Vickie Widule, Jamie Hedtke, Roy Mowbry, Nancy Ewert, Carol Ewert, Candice Luser, Shelly Skovgaard, Jessica Stamm, and Jennifer Rentmaster. If you can help serve please contact the school office. The January **lunch order form** was *sent out on Friday, Dec. 5*. The form and payment is due back in the office by **Monday, December 15**.

### Children's Christmas Fair

Every year the EGL Women's Arts and Crafts group gives our students in **Kindergarten through eighth grade** an opportunity to do their Christmas shopping at school. It's a chance to purchase that "special" gift for someone they love. There will be gifts for mom, dad, sister, brother, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and even your pets! All items are specially priced from \$.25 to \$5.00 for that child-size budget. This year's sale will be on **Tuesday, December 9** so kids make sure you start saving and bring in your money that day. The children have always enjoyed sale so we hope they can take advantage of this opportunity. If you have any questions, please call Muriel Ehlers at **262-782-7814**. Thanks for your support

### Christmas Gift Exchange

Every other year we forgo a student gift exchange and teacher gifts in order to help those that are less fortunate during the Christmas season. This year we have chosen the LCMS Mission in the Dominican Republic. This mission supports two schools that service about 250 students. One of their biggest needs is school supplies so instead of students purchasing a gift for another student in their classroom or for their teacher, we are asking that students bring in school supplies to help support this mission. Items that are needed include: pencils, pens, crayons, markers, erasers, scissors, sheet paper, construction paper, or notebooks. We will also accept monetary donations to help cover the cost of shipping. At Christmas we remember how God gave us the greatest gift of all, His Son, and this service project is an opportunity for students and teachers to honor His gift by helping those in need. **Supplies are due by December 19.**

### Accelerated Reader News



The November Accelerated Reader winners are Karlie Bellante (2T), Hanna Radewahn (2T), Samantha Ruhnau-Gee (3G), Hannah Weymier (3G), Matthew Ewert (4G), Jessica Robel (4G), Zachary Robel (5F), Nick Margrett (6B), Jené Kramer (6B), and Mollie Radewahn (7B). Congratulations to all! -Mrs. Langelin

### Christmas SCRIP Orders

Are you planning on purchasing gift cards as Christmas gifts? Why not purchase those gift cards through Scrip? Order forms will go home the next 2 consecutive weeks, and will be due on December 12. (If you order cards after that time, we cannot guarantee that they will be here in time for Christmas. If you have any questions contact Pam Ganswindt at **262-797-2970** or [pganswindt@egl.org](mailto:pganswindt@egl.org).



### Mid-quarter Reports

Mid-quarter Reports for the 2nd quarter go home next **Wednesday, December 10**. Students should return the mid-quarters as soon as possible. If you have any questions contact your teacher.

### PTL News



#### **Birthday Breakfast for Jesus:**

Come join us at our annual Birthday Breakfast for Jesus on Saturday, December 6, 2008 from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. PTL invites you to enjoy a wonderful breakfast, entertainment, and fellowship. Registration and volunteer forms have been sent home. First and Sixth grades are organizing this event. If you have any questions, please contact Shelly Skovgaard at **262-650-1618**, [ptmom85@alo.com](mailto:ptmom85@alo.com) or Sue Wilcox at **262-574-0051**, [brucekwilcox@hotmail.com](mailto:brucekwilcox@hotmail.com).

**PTL Executive Board Meetings:** The PTL Board meets the first Monday of every month at 6:15 p.m. in the Friendship Library. Our next meeting is Monday, January 5. Anyone is welcome to attend at any time. If you have any input, comments or suggestions for the PTL, or would just like to see what we're up to feel free to join us.

#### **EGLS Golf Outing/Auction**

Are you ready? May 15 is only six months away! Actually we are in need of some help with the Golf Outing and Auction. Ron Hessenthaler who has done such a great job with the golf outing will be leaving after this year, but is willing to train someone. In addition, Sharon Wierzchowski is not able to serve as the auction chairperson due to illness. These positions do not have to be filled by one person if a group of parents would be willing to take them on it would actually be much easier. Would you be willing to help? This is an **important fundraiser** for the school so it is very important that we fill these positions quickly. Please contact the office **262-797-2970** if you can help.

#### **EGL Organ Dedicatory Service**

Elm Grove Lutheran Church is pleased to announce an organ dedicatory service/concert on **Sunday, December 14, at 7 p.m.** Mr. Richard C. Ewert, Head Organist, will present the program that includes Bach's Prelude and Fugue in G Major, and other Christmas organ music. In addition, the audience will be invited to sing traditional Christmas carols. The dedicatory service/concert marks the culmination of a major renovation to the original pipe organ, built in 1970. This blended instrument, with all its resources, will lead and inspire worshippers for decades to come.

### **Martin Luther Christmas Concert**

The Martin Luther Music Department is proud to present "Amazing Miracle...Unspeakable Joy" the annual Christmas Concert on Friday and Saturday, December 12-13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship/Fine Arts Center. The concert will include performances by the Troubadours, Brass Choir, Chorus, Varsity Band, Concert Choir, and Symphonic Band. For more information or ticket reservation call **414-421-4000**. Tickets are also available on the night of the performance. Martin Luther High School is located at 5201 South 76th Street, Glendale, Wisconsin 53129.

### **Market Day**

Thank you for your Market Day order this month! We're looking forward to seeing you when you pick up your. Order on Tuesday, December 9 between 3:45 and 4:45 pm in the Fellowship Hall. **We are still in need volunteers from the 1st grade class.** Please contact Mrs. Scepanski if you are able to help.

### **Emergency Closure Information**



It's snowing outside! How do I know if there is school today? A good question! If it is necessary, due to inclement weather to close school, announcements will be made on local television, radio, stations, and websites normally prior to 6:30 a.m. Television stations include: channels 4, 6, and 12. Radio Stations include: WTMJ (620 AM), WKTI (94.5 FM), WMIL (106.1 FM), The Brew (97.3 FM), News Talk (1130 AM), V100 WKKV-FM, The Wolf (920 AM), and Milwaukee's My (95.7 FM). The television stations also usually include school closures on their websites. Also this year we will make every effort to get an announcement on our website [www.egl.org](http://www.egl.org) by 6:30 a.m. if there is a closure. Normally we will close only if the Elmbrook and New Berlin School Districts close, because that means there will be no bussing on that day. **If school remains open and you feel that transporting your child would be too hazardous, please contact the school office and let us know what time your child will arrive. Students, who arrive late due to weather are given an excused tardy.** Your judgment in this matter will always be honored. **Please keep this information available for future reference.**