Parentline

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Open House

We look forward to seeing you at the Open House tomorrow night! Pizza will be served in the fellowship hall at 5:30 and classrooms can be visited until 7:00. Bring a new family to receive a PIP hour!

Middle School Listening Session

If you are interested in a discussion of St. Paul's continuing into Middle School, please come to the meeting tonight, Feb. 25 at 5:30pm.

Box Tops

Congratulations to Ms. Baziak's 2nd grade class for bringing in the most Box Tops and are the winners of the class pizza party! Thank you for collecting Box Tops for our school, every little bit helps!

Spelldown

Help is still needed for the Spelldown from grades 1-5 on Friday March 1 from 1-3pm. We also need people to stay at 3:00 and help with clean up. Contact the school office if you can help.

Planning Meeting/PIP Opportunity

It's time to start planning for the Cornhole Tournament that will take place in June. Wednesday Feb. 27, 6pm.

Open Registration

Registration opens to the public on Monday March 4. Be sure to let your friends and family know.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences will take place next week March 6-8 for the whole school. ECE teachers will notify you of the schedule. 1-5 students will dismiss at 12:00. Y5/K dismiss at 11:50 in front of the church (not the side door).

Hot Lunch Friday - $3 Due Wednesday

ECE: Mini Corndogs ELM: Costco Pizza

"I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." - Psalm 119:11

Administrator's Corner

Building life skills in our children is vital to their future success. Teaching and developing these skills takes years of purposeful modeling, practicing, and re-teaching. It is all part of the adventure of parenting. These life skills include:

Self-awareness
Empathy
Critical thinking
Creative thinking
Decision making
Problem Solving
Effective communication
Interpersonal relationship
Coping with stress & emotion
Perseverance

The great news is besides the everyday schedules, routines, tasks, and battles, there are many fun, engaging ways to instill these life skills in our children.

Family dinners reinforce sitting, staying on task, practicing fine motor skills and self-awareness of movement, building communication skills, focusing on the value of relationships, and much more!

Family game time teaches focusing on a task, patience, turn taking, attention, problem solving, being positive in a win or a loss, and more!

Family Physical Activity Time teaches perseverance, celebrating accomplishments, completing a goal, and more.

Chores (independently and as a family) reinforce cooperation, making responsible decision, emphasizes the importance of working together to accomplish a goal, instills a sense of self-value within the family, and more!

Running Errands together reinforces waiting in line, self-restraint, patience, communication, coping with boredom, and more!

Setting and carrying out family goals reinforces teamwork, patience, planning skills, perseverance, practice, and more!

These are just a few of the ways parents can work towards purposely reinforcing life skills in children from before they begin walking! It is amazing how open children are to learning, accomplishing, and practicing life skills when the adults around them create the expectations and opportunities. I pray that you are all enjoying the adventure and blessing of parenting!

COMING EVENTS:

Feb 26 – Swimming 2/3
Feb 26 – Open House 5:30
Mar 1 – Library PKK
Mar 1 – Museum Visit K
Mar 1 – Spelldown 1-3pm
Mar 2 – Dr. Seuss Party PK, Y5, K
Mar 4 – Public Registration Opens
Mar 5 – Swimming 2/3
Mar 5 – PTL 5:45 @ Wok About Grill
Mar 6-8 Conferences