



# The Paw Print



Central Lutheran School

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## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends of Central:

True confession: I like junk-food. Take potato chips for example. I like the kettle cooked kind the best, especially when the chips are folded in half, not flat. Of course, ice cream tops my “favorite” list, but I don’t consider that junk food — it’s a health food.

Where would you put bread? Junk food or health food? At Central, we talk about another kind of bread, the bread that makes us spiritually healthy and fit. It’s the same type of bread that John writes about in his Gospel, Chapter 6, verse 51, when Jesus speaks, “I am the living bread that comes down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for-

ever.”

What did Jesus say would happen if you ate of that bread? You would get sick? Absolutely not! Jesus said that anyone who eats of this bread would live forever. If Jesus is the bread of life, how does He come to us? At CLS, we teach three ways that happens: baptism, Holy Communion and through God’s Word, the Bible.

Central is a special place where we get to talk about Jesus each and every day and throughout the entire day. Our teachers are specially trained to integrate the faith into all subjects, not just religion classes. And, it’s not an accident that you send your child to a Lutheran school. We know you have other choices in educat-

ing your child.

The most important message I want your child to hear this year is that Jesus loves him/her, that his/her sins have been forgiven because of Jesus’ death and resurrection and that one day he/she will spend eternity in heaven with Him. I want your child to be absorbed in God’s Word this year. If we are to be spiritually fit, we can’t live on junk food. To be one of God’s athletes means that we are nourished in His Word, ready to face anything. My prayer for 2009-10 is that we become even more spiritually fit because we are “tasting and seeing that the Lord is good, with all of the opportunities we have to study God’s Word.

In Christ,  
Jan Doellinger

## Aug/Sept Calendar

<i>Volleyball &amp; Soccer in Davpt</i>	29
<i>Tuition pmts due</i>	1
<i>Pizza sales end</i>	
<i>Early Dismissal @ 1:10</i>	2
<i>Labor Day – NO SCHOOL</i>	7
<i>Book Fair begins</i>	14
<i>Open House/Ice Cream Social</i>	17
<i>PTL Meeting</i>	
<i>SCHOOL PICTURE DAY</i>	21

## CALENDAR CHANGES...ALREADY!

The ink was still wet on the calendars when the first of the calendar changes reared its ugly head:

The **Spring Concert** has been rescheduled for Fri, May 14

The **CLS Brunch** is now scheduled for Sun., Nov. 1.

**Grant Wood Hearing Tests** for Grades 1, 2 and 5 are Thurs, Nov. 11.

The **3rd and 4th Grade** will attend a play at UNI Fri., Nov. 6. The Rainbow Choir will still sing at Keystone Care Ctr. that afternoon, sans the 3rd & 4th graders.

**BYSA Concessions** have been added for the following Saturdays:

9/12;9/19;9/26;10/3;10/10;10/17

Some **sporting events** have been added...See Athletics Note. For the most up-to-date calendar, go to Mrs. Weber’s calendar on Fast Direct.

## What’s Inside...

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## Housekeeping Stuff, an Andrea Weber production

With the start of each new school year, there are all kinds of housekeeping chores to get out of the way, so let's 'get down on it' ala KC and the Sunshine Band:

**Phones:** This year the phones at school will be answered between 7:30 am and 4:30 pm, Mon-Thursday and until 4:00 on Fridays. If you call outside those hours, you will get the answering machine.

**Forms:** Please get all of your forms completed and sent back to the office ASAP, especially the Emergency Contact forms and the immunization forms. The Benton Co. Health Dept. is auditing our Immunization forms earlier than usual due to the H1N1 flu prep.

**SCRIP** will be sold in the office Monday mornings from 8-9 and Friday mornings from 8-9. **THERE WILL BE NO INVENTORY SALES FRIDAYS AFTER 9 AM.** Look for an announcement coming soon regarding some exciting new additions to the *SCRIP* program.

**Lunch Guests:** Unlike a lot of restaurants, we require reservations. (We're very exclusive, don't ya know.) If you're planning on having lunch with your student and partaking in our fine cuisine, you must contact the kitchen or the office no later than 10 a.m. Becky Rieck's mantra is "no leftovers" so everything is counted out down to the last crumb. Unexpected guests at the last minute can make her job very difficult, so please, call us earlier rather than later. We cannot accept orders after 10:00 a.m.

**Tuition & Lunch Payments:** As always, *tuition* is due the first of the month with a 5-business-day grace period before a \$10 late fee is applied. Don't know what your monthly payment is? Call the office. *Lunch payments* are at your discretion provided you don't get too far in the hole. If so, you will get a gentle reminder in your child's bookbag. It's a standard form that repeats the school policy of PBJ sandwiches when an account goes too far in the negative. From here on out, you must write separate checks for lunch and tuition, as they are two separate accounts. Thanks for understanding. Also, I don't have much change in the office, so please don't bring me any Benjamin Franklins and expect me to make change. Besides, I'm a Lutheran, I have a hard enough time with change.

## Housekeeping Stuff, the Sequel, Rated EP for Every Parent

**School Hours:** *Classes for K-8* begin at 8:15 and dismiss at 3:30. The *pre-school schedule:* Classes begin at 8:00 and dismiss at 11:15. The afternoon shift begins at 12:15 and dismisses at 3:30.

**Chapel:** Every Wednesday at 8:30 am in the CLS Cinder Cathedral (gym). Parents and guests welcome to worship with us. Offering collected.

**Calendars & Directories:** If you didn't come to "registration" on August 13 and 14, you probably don't have a school calendar. Please stop by and get

one. The phone directories were sent home with the youngest child earlier this week. Every family gets one; extra calendars and directories are \$1 each.

**Pride Apparel Order:** We won't have one until the other apparel designs are ready for you to consider. We'll let you know when that happens. In the meantime, if you have used Pride Apparel that you want to sell or give away, send it to the office (attach name and price if you're selling) and we will put it on the rack outside the teacher workroom.

**Catechisms:** We have our new shipment

of catechisms, so if you need one, pls. come to the office. \$10.00 each.

**After hours entry to building:** Quite often I get calls at home from a family whose child has forgotten homework and wondering if I can unlock school. This year that is out of my hands, as each teacher has his/her own policy regarding that situation. If it's 8:47 and your child gasps aloud "I forgot my homework!" please call your teacher. If he/she wants your child to get into the building, the teacher will contact me and I will let you in. If you are a parent with keys to the building, you must follow the same procedure. Gotta keep the playing field level.

## Housekeeping, the Prequel, Rated M for Minutia

**Attendance:** All absences are excused, however, after a child misses more than 18 days (school policy), he/she may have to attend summer school. Please keep this in mind if your student is begging you for a "mental health day." These things usually come back to bite you you-know-where. And, I probably don't need to remind you that the HINEY Flu (H1N1) is out there lurking around the corner, and you don't know when it might strike and for how long. Long story short, use your good judgement

regarding absences. Tardiness is another story. A tardy is either excused or unexcused. The teacher has the discretion of making it unexcused, and he/she will speak with your child regarding what's excused and unexcused. (please consult handbook). It's an **automatic unexcused** tardy when a parent does not come to the office and sign in a student who is coming to school late.

**Speaking of illness:** Because of H1N1, the Benton Co Public Health Dept is asking every school to track the symptoms

when a child stays home from school due to illness. Therefore we must ask you a series of questions when you call in. Please bear with us as we try to comply with this request. All info is faxed back to BCPH at the end of the week.

**Sign Ups:** We have lots of opportunities for parents & grandparents & friends of CLS to help out around school. Please consider Wednesday Morning Bus Duty (7:30-8:00), room parent, working concessions, volunteering in the classroom, etc.

## Mom-Bus for Sale

The Woltemaths are \*selling their 2005 red Dodge Caravan. They will entertain all reasonable offers and even the unreasonable, but just for laughs. The interior is CLEAN and the mileage is... did I mention how CLEAN the interior is? Oh it's not so bad, the mileage is a mere 99,000. Heck, that's only about 25,000 a year. They don't start runnin' real good until they've got about 125,000 on 'em. I'm told it was only driven on Sundays by a little old pastor who lived fairly close to his parish. Anyhoo, if you're interested, please contact Honest Doug Woltemath, used car salesman and part-time pastor.

\*Doesn't qualify for Cash for Klunkers, manufacturer rebates, coupons, trading stamps, Chuckie Cheese tokens or Monopoly money.

## Smiles for Education

Hy-Vee's "Smiles for Education" program is underway. Every week for eight weeks, 10 students names will be drawn for a total of 80 winners. Students win a laptop and their respective schools each get a donation of \$5000. How do you get in on the action? Stop by any Hy-Vee and sign up. We've not had a winner here at CLS yet, so you could be the first.

Speaking of Smiles: The FLUORIDE PROGRAM is back! As you may recall, the State's warehouse was flooded last summer and all of the fluoride went down the river. So last year when our supply ran out, the fluoride program was suspended for the year. This year, no flood, so we're back in business. The kids will be thrilled!

## A Message from Stella Wolter, our PE instructor for the upper grades

Students in grades 6-8 must dress out for PE. This means that they have to bring a separate set of gym clothes (shorts and shirt). Students won't be allowed to participate in the same street clothes that they wore to school that day. They may, however, wear the same tennis shoes. Any questions, please call the office.

## Secretary o' the Month



Just to get everyone up to speed, last year after school pictures had been taken, I put a picture of Farrah Fawcett on the staff picture board near the office and put my name (Mrs. Weber) under it. This summer, she passed away, and it just seemed inappropriate to keep her picture up. So this year, I'm changing out "my" picture with a famous TV-land secretary every month. Miss September is a blonde bombshell who appeared in a sitcom in the late 70s. She portrayed a beautiful and highly intelligent secretary. Remind you of anyone? Don't answer that.

*Can you name the TV show, her character's name and her real name?* **Bonus trivia question:** name the character who played her boss and give his character's name. He later went on to portray another very famous TV icon. **For the triple, daily double bonus point lightning round,** name the icon.

## MICROSOFT OFFICE Products

Parents have an opportunity to purchase Microsoft Office products at a deep discount through the Iowa Educators Consortium. What's the catch? You can only use the products for personal use, not for small businesses.

An example of what's available: Microsoft Office Standard 2007 for \$69.98. Don't adjust your monitor, I said \$69.98! It includes Office Excel, Office Outlook, Office PowerPoint and Office Word. Microsoft Office Professional Plus 2007: \$89.98. Includes all of the above plus Access, InfoPath, & Publisher. This is brand new software, not used, not damaged, not black market. If you're interested, please call the office to learn how to order. You will need to provide proof of academic status, such as a letter from school on school letterhead.

## OTC Meds @ School

This year we are going to try to drastically reduce the amount of OTC meds that are given during school hours by CLS personnel.

The rationale: liability and reliability.

First, every time we hand out a medicine, the school increases its liability should a child have an adverse reaction. In addition, many students either don't seem to know or cannot remember what they already took at home before coming to school.

Second, we don't want to send a message that you can pop a pill for every ache and pain. Students will be encouraged to tough it out unless they're running a fever.

If you know your child is having a headache, sinus pain, allergy symptoms when he/she leaves the house, then please send the OTC medicine to school along with a completed med. authorization form that you can get from the office. Please have the student give the medicine to the teacher and then it will be brought to the office and dispensed per your instructions. Thanks for your cooperation.

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## Full Membership Churches

*St. John, Newhall*

*St. John, Keystone*

*St. Stephens, Atkins*

**CLS Mission Statement:** Central Lutheran School assists our congregations and parents by preparing children to be disciples for this life and the life to come.

**THEME for 2009-10:** Spiritual Fitness.

**HYMN OF THE YEAR:** Let us Ever Walk with Jesus

**CHAPEL OFFERING:** 1st Quarter:  
Camp Okoboji. 8/20: \$173.52; 8/26:  
\$53.87

**Next Week's Chapel:**

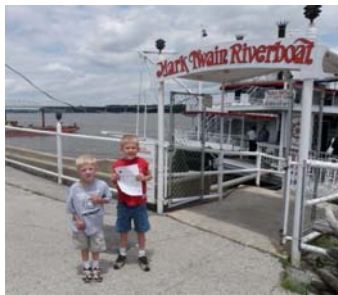
**Baptismal Remembrances**

Leader: Pastor S. Rempfer

Singing: Toby Keith

## Take the Thursday Note with You

Wow...this little venture was a huge success! Look at all the places the Thursday Note went this summer and don't forget to check out the bulletin board by the teacher workroom. More to come..



Top: Wells and Pres. & Dolly Madison in Va.; Westin & Landon B in Hannibal, Mo.; Jaelen and Denver at NASA;

Top: Derek H. and Keisha & Bethie W. at Ia. Children's Museum in Iowa City; Rachel & Hannah W on Lake Michigan; Ashley & Alyssa K. at a lighthouse in North Carolina.

## ATHLETICS THURSDAY NOTE

Volleyball and soccer games begin this week with all teams playing at Davenport on Saturday. \*\*\*Please note the **TIME CHANGES** below!\*\*\* **Pictures** will be taken during regular practice times this Friday and next Monday, so remember to bring your **uniforms and money envelope** to practice if you would like to order some pictures.

**THANK YOU** to all who have donated items from the athletics "Wish List." We truly appreciate all the parental support that makes things possible here at Central! We are still in need of **GROUND BEEF** for this year. About 50# have been donated, but we estimate that we will use 350 – 500 pounds for the year. Also, now that we have the space to put them in our portable building, a freezer and refrigerator to hold our food supplies would be an incredible help. If you or someone you know has an extra one sitting around, please consider sending it our way! Talk to Kristin or Stella and make their day!

There are a couple of additions to the soccer and volleyball schedules.

1. Sat., Sept. 19 – Trinity, Davenport -- Volleyball @ Atkins – 1:00 & 2:00
2. Tues., Sept. 22 – Cedar Valley – Soccer @ Newhall – BOTH JV & Varsity will play – game times are 4:30 and 5:30.

Contact your coaches or athletic directors if you have any questions! Also, remember there are maps available in the office if you need directions to any of our playing sites.

Amy Eggert - 223-5803 (home) 721-8281 (cell)  
Becky McKinney - 223-7479 (home) 560-7401 (cell)  
Loren Ingalls – 223-5319 (home) 981-5563 (cell)  
Kurt Slouha - 446-7098 (home) 533-2591 (cell)

### SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 – FRIDAY, SEPT.4

Thurs.	Aug. 27	Volleyball practices – 3:45 – 6:00
Fri.	Aug. 28	Soccer practice – 3:45 – 5:30 and pictures
Sat.	<b>Aug. 29</b>	<b>Volleyball @ Davenport - JV at 9:00, Varsity at 10:00***</b>
	<b>Aug. 29</b>	<b>Soccer @ Davenport - JV at 11:00, Varsity at 12:00***</b>
Mon.	Aug. 31	Volleyball practice and pictures
Tues.	Sept. 1	Soccer practice
Thurs.	Sept. 3	Volleyball practice
Fri.	Sept. 4	Soccer practice