



Bear Facts

The Weekly Newsletter of
Bethany Lutheran School
Long Beach, CA

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



The business world tells us that one of the most marketable skills our students will need in the future is the ability to *focus and persist*.

Students are being raised in a multi-multi-multi-tasking world, but one of the side effects of that environment is a resistance to focusing on a single task, especially when the going gets tough with that task (such as a tricky assignment.) Students are used to using short bursts of mental energy to experience instant successes, but not as used to drawn-out thinking processes that may or may not have immediate rewards.

When students are struggling, it's tempting to rush in and rescue them right away...none of us likes to see our kids unhappy! But just like the "no pain, no gain" mantra of exercise, students NEED to struggle once in awhile to develop their "persistence muscles." From what we hear, these muscles are going to serve them well in the future!

Blessings on your week!
Dr. Fink

"That which we persist in doing becomes easier to do, not that the nature of the thing has changed but that our power to do has increased."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Please join us for
**Fall Fling
Open House**

**Oct. 1
6:30-8:00**

Stop by to see your
child's classroom and
visit with your Bethany
family!

Need plans for dinner?

[Click here to order a
pizza dinner](#)
and support our
8th Graders' trip to DC!

*(They'll start serving at 6:00
in the lunch area.)*

The Jog-a-thon is coming!!

This is the PTL's biggest fundraiser of the year and our goal is \$100 per student. Funds are used to support camp fees, transportation, PTL events and we're also raising money for additional playground games. Look for the packet we sent home yesterday, and set up your Pledgestar account today!

<https://pledgestar.com/bethany/>

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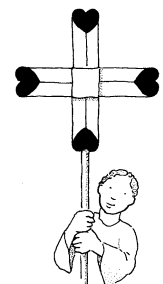
DON'T FORGET

- ©Sept. 28-PTL Meeting-Library-6:30 PM
- ©Oct. 1-Fall Fling Open House 6:30-8:00
- ©Oct. 6-8 5th Grade to AstroCamp
- ©Oct. 8-Kindergarten Community Builder
- ©Oct. 11-Jog-a-thon!
- ©Oct. 11-Minimum Day, school dismisses at noon
- ©Oct. 13-15- 6th Grade Camp
- ©Oct. 24- Trinity sings 8:00 AM, Troubadour sings 9:30 AM
- ©Oct. 24-Oktoberfest/Trunk-or-Treat at Bethany

Who's leading chapel this week?

- 9/29: Pastor Kritzer
- 10/6: Mr. Fink
- 10/13 Ms. Stejskal

Parents, you are always welcome to join us at 9:00 in the sanctuary!





The FISHin' Hole
Opportunities to Serve

We will need LOTS of help for the Jog-a-thon on Monday, Oct. 11. Watch this space for a sign-up link!

PTL Meeting Tonight!

You're invited to tonight's PTL meeting at 6:30 PM in the library. (We even provide free childcare!) Come and hear about PTL plans for the year, as well as reports from the principal and preschool director. Can't come to campus? We'll be sending you a Zoom link to join the meeting virtually!

Monthly Awards

Each month we recognize one student from each class for a character trait that leads to success! Sometimes it can be hard to choose just one student from each class, so if your child does not "win," it doesn't mean they don't have the trait. 😊 (And as an aside, we keep track of which students have won awards each year so we can attempt to recognize a variety of students.

For September, we are recognizing students who display **Daring Diligence** by working with all their hearts to accomplish their goals."

K-Cristiano Minero

K-Ben Culley

1st-Renee Logan

2nd-Patrick Loehnert

3rd-Dominique Marshall

4th-Ethan Attia

5th-Charlize Duckett

6th-Lucy Luu

7th-Madison Farley

8th-Brayden Huynh

"And whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord and not for men." Colossians 3:23



CHAPEL
OFFERING

In August/September we will be donating to [Samaritan's Purse](#). This organization is serving refugees from Afghanistan as well as the earthquake and storm victims in Haiti and New Orleans.

Cook's Night Out

Monday, October 4

BJ's Brewhouse-Cerritos

4:30 – 9:00 PM

Dine in, takeout or curbside. Bring a flyer for dine-in or take-out or use OCT139 at checkout for online orders.



Get ready for **Bonus Fest!** Earn big with 4 weekends of 3-day bonuses. Each weekend features a different lineup of brands on bonus for 3 days only. Take advantage of this opportunity to earn more on your everyday shopping and make a bigger impact on your rebate!
Things to know: 1. Bonuses begin at 12am ET Friday and end at 11:59 ET on Sunday. 2. Offers will be announced each weekend. 3. All gift card types (eGift cards, physical cards and money added to reloadable cards) are included. 4. You need an online account to participate.
This is a great time to think ahead for your holiday shopping and gift giving!

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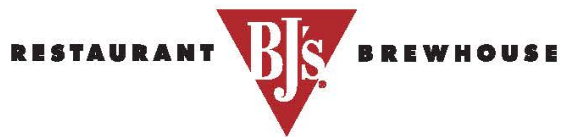
Middle School Corner

Today in Advisory, the middle school students took a short personality quiz. The quiz results support the students in gaining a better understanding of who God created them to be, and how to work well with and understand other people's personalities that are different from their own. Praise be to God that He created each of us to be unique! How boring the world would be if we were all the same.

You're invited to swing by room 205 during the Open House on Friday, 10/1, between 6:30 – 8:00 pm to see the quiz results up in the classroom.

Parents, since we never stop growing into the person God created us to be, please consider picking up a paper copy of the personality quiz (available during the Open House in room 205) to take on your own. What a wonderful way to tap into your middle school student's experience!

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart;" Jeremiah 1:5



JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS WAY TO
RAISE MONEY!

Date: Oct 04, 2021

Time: 4:30PM to 9:00PM

For Dine In, Takeout or Curbside at this BJ's Location:

11101 183rd Street
Cerritos, CA 90703
562-467-0850

Enjoy delicious food in a fun atmosphere along with your family
and friends while earning funds in support of:

Bethany Lutheran 8th Grade DC Trip

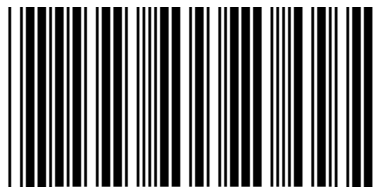
**WITH EACH FLYER PRESENTED DURING THIS FUNDRAISING EVENT, BJ's WILL DONATE
20% OF FOOD AND SOFT BEVERAGE SALES TO THE DESIGNATED ORGANIZATION!**

VISIT US IN PERSON, ORDER ONLINE OR PLACE A TAKE-OUT ORDER

When dining in: Present this flyer to your server at any time during your meal.

When ordering online: Enter the 6-digit fundraiser code below at the time of checkout.

When placing a take-out order: Present this flyer to a BJ's team member upon your arrival.



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Valid for dine in, takeout or curbside when applicable. Not valid toward alcoholic beverages, Happy Hour specials or for delivery orders.
Please do not distribute flyers on site during the event.

