
BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Please save your box tops for education labels and help our school earn money! Since 2002, Salem has earned over \$9000 by collecting labels. In December we received a \$505 check for the last six months. If all of our school families saved labels, we could double that amount! Labels can be dropped off in the school office.

YEARBOOK ORDER FORMS

Interstate Studio provides order forms to pre-order yearbooks. Cost is \$10. Forms and payment are due by January 27. Order forms were sent home with students last week.

BASKETBALL NEWS

Last Friday the Saints hosted Bloomington Lutheran. The B team girls started off the night well by winning 24-6. This is amazing since they almost went into half time with a score of 0-0. The B team boys played hard but were beaten 16-32. The A team girls had a tough competition losing 14-30. And finally the A team boys kept the game close in the first half but then fell behind losing 28-47. This Friday the Salem Saints travel to Burnsville. The game times are B team girls at 6:00pm, B team boys at 7:00pm, A team boys at 8:00pm. **Parents be sure to use the directions on the purple note that was sent home last week. The ones in the driving packet are incorrect.**

B-TEAM TOURNAMENT: FEBRUARY 4 & 5 AT WEST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

The girls play their first game at 8:55am against Bloomington. The boys first game is at 2:45pm against Mount Olive.

A-TEAM BASKETBALL FAMILIES

Have you already made hotel reservations for the New Ulm Tournament? If not, you can contact the Madelia Lodge at 507-642-2004 to make reservations. If you have any questions, contact Caroline Greene.

PIONEERS

Pioneer meeting on Wednesday, February 1 from 6:30-8:00pm, pine car cut out night. Wednesday, February 8, pioneer meeting from 6:30-8:00pm.

AFTON ALPS DISCOUNTED SKIING/SNOWBOARDING

Just mention Salem Lutheran at the ticket booth! Cost, \$25 for a full day lift ticket or \$16 for a night lift ticket (after 4pm). Ski or snowboard rentals for \$18 per person. Helmets for \$4 each. Group skiing or snowboarding lessons are available for \$4 for each person. Feel free to bring your family and friends. Visit www.aftonalps.com.

Future church discount dates: Sat. Jan. 28, Sat. Feb. 4, Fri. Feb. 24, Sat. Mar. 3, Sun. Mar. 4

Grade 3 - Mrs. Hasselquist

Can you believe that we are already half done with our school year? We are now third and a half graders and well on our way to becoming fourth graders! We continue to make progress in all the subject areas but would like to tell you about our special Spanish and Social Studies/Science classes. We have a new Espanol maestro--Pastor Welch! He makes learning Spanish so much fun, but we really have to pay attention because he speaks in Spanish during the whole lesson. We sing a lot and get to do some interactive activities. In return, we are helping Pastor Welch learn how to use a SMARTboard.

Sten's Valley Voyageur, "Favre," (a travel buddy) and Mr. Hoiem's cousin, Mr. Rich Gunderson, are helping us learn about Antarctica and about all kinds of other things like the connection between earth's rotation and climate, how the earth's tilt is the reason for the seasons, volcanoes and the Ring of Fire, time zones, and the meaning of weather terminology. Mr. Gunderson is contracted by the U.S. government to maintain and repair heavy machinery at McMurdo Station. Besides hanging out with Mr. Gunderson, Favre also goes to field camps with scientists who do research off site. Apparently, Favre is becoming quite a celebrity. Mr. Gunderson collects information and sends us pictures. Then Mrs. H. makes PowerPoint lessons out of the information. Did you know that McMurdo had warmer temperatures than we did last week? Did you know that Antarctica is really a desert because of the little precipitation it gets? Did you also know that Antarctica is having tomorrow when we are having today because it is on the other side of the International Date Line? So much to learn and so fascinating!

Grade 4 - Mrs. Hansen

The fourth graders are busy learning division in Math. They are doing well. Keep practicing your facts. They just finished reading *Trumpet of the Swan*. Some students were hoping for a sequel to the book. They have begun unit four in their reading textbooks. This week's story is about a pack of wild wolves. In Phy-ed the 4th & 5th graders are finishing up a unit on jumping rope. They have enjoyed learning different activities that can be done with a jump rope. Next week the fourth graders have another test in Spanish about plants. Don't forget to study!

Grades 4 & 5 - by: Ivy Lariviere, Kathy Weigand, & Kelsey Hill

Here's what we did this month, and what we're going to do in fourth and fifth grade. We just started a solar system project in Science. Groups are working on each planet. We are writing a report about each planet, and we are also going to make a scale model of the solar system in our hallway. On March 8, we are going to do a living history project where we dress up and tell everyone about our historical figure. In Art we are working on optical illusions. Right now we are making a checkerboard with circles and coloring it opposite colors. Next week, the fifth graders will take a field trip to Orchestra Hall. We are excited that our classroom got another new projector. It is much brighter than the old one. And, best of all, we finally have SNOW!

Weekly Calendar

Fri.	Jan. 27:	BB Salem @ Good Shepherd
Wed.	Feb. 1:	9:15 AM Chapel 6:30-8:00 PM Pioneer Meeting - Pine Car cut out night
Fri.	Feb. 3:	BB Crown of Life @ Salem
Sat.	Feb. 4:	BB B-team tournament @ West
Sun.	Feb. 5:	Preschool, Kindergarten, & Grade 1 sing @ 10:30am worship service BB B-team tournament @ West
Mon.	Feb. 6:	BOOK SWAP BEGINS
Wed.	Feb. 8:	1:15 PM Chapel 6:30-8:00PM Pioneer Meeting
Thur.	Feb. 9:	9:00 AM MLC Wind Ensemble
Fri.	Feb. 10:	A-team tournament
Sat.	Feb. 11:	A-team tournament
Sun.	Feb. 12:	A-team tournament
Mon.	Feb. 13:	Salem Night at Culver's - 8th grade class trip fundraiser

CHEERLEADING UNIFORMS



HAVE YOU ENJOYED WATCHING OUR AWESOME CHEERLEADERS CHEER FOR THE BASKETBALL GAMES OVER THE YEARS? WE ARE LOOKING INTO BUYING NEW CHEERLEADING UNIFORMS FOR THE 2012-2013 BASKETBALL SEASON. THE UNIFORMS WE HAVE ARE QUITE DATED. THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING FOR DONATIONS TOWARDS THE UNIFORMS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A DONATION PLEASE WRITE OUT YOUR CHECK TO SALEM ATHLETICS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.





SPIRIT WEEK

FEBRUARY 13-16

PEP FEST 2:30 PM ON 2/16

PARENTS WELCOME!

Salem Lunch Menu - February 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		<u>February 1</u> French Toast & Sausage yogurt, fruit & veggies	<u>February 2</u> Fish Nuggets or Chicken Parmesan penne pasta, vegetable, fruit, roll	<u>February 3</u> Cheese, Pepperoni, or Hawaiian Pizza fruit & salad bar
<u>February 6</u> Breaded Chicken Strips mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, fruit, roll	<u>February 7</u> Cheese Dunkers or Meatball Sub fruit & salad bar	<u>February 8</u> Rib Sandwich on a Bun or Build a Burger on a Bun potato, vegetable, pretzels, fruit	<u>February 9</u> Hot Dog on a Bun or Penne Pasta with Marinara or Alfredo Sauce breadstick, fruit, salad bar	<u>February 10</u> Walking Taco (taco in a bag) rice, corn, fruit
<u>February 13</u> Baked Potato or Mini Corn Dogs chili & toppings, roll, veggies, fruit, chips	<u>February 14</u> Cheese Ravioli or Breaded Chicken Nuggets garlic toast, Caesar salad, fruit & dessert	<u>February 15</u> Pancakes & Bacon applesauce, veggies, blueberry muffin	<u>February 16</u> Cheese, Pepperoni, or Sausage Pizza fruit & salad bar	<u>February 17</u> NO SCHOOL
<u>February 20</u> NO SCHOOL	<u>February 21</u> Spaghetti & Meatballs or Mac & Cheese breadstick salad bar & fruit	<u>February 22</u> Chicken Patty on a Bun or Pizza Burger fruit, vegetable, corn chips	<u>February 23</u> Sub Sandwich potato soup, fruit, chips, veggies	<u>February 24</u> Breakfast Burrito (egg, cheese, bacon/sausage) or Hot Dog on a Bun muffin, hash browns, fruit, vegetable
<u>February 27</u> Breaded Chicken Nuggets or Chicken Bacon Wrap cheesy noodles, vegetable, fruit, roll	<u>February 28</u> Chicken Taco or Beef Taco (hard or soft shell) rice, corn, fruit	<u>February 29</u> French Toast & Sausage yogurt, fruit & veggies		

All lunches come with a choice of 1%, skim, or chocolate skim milk.

Ham & Cheese Sandwiches are available as a lunch choice each day if you sign up for one with your teacher.

Basketball News

Can you believe there is only a month left of the basketball season! Thank you to all of the parental support. Also thank you to all of the players and coaches dedication and good sportsmanship. You represent Salem Lutheran School well. There are a number of things to highlight about the rest of the basketball season.

1. On **Friday January 27th** the Saints travel to Burnsville. Please note that in your directions we are playing at Heritage Lutheran Church, 13401 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd. Apple Valley, MN. **DO NOT USE THE DIRECTIONS IN THE BASKETBALL DRIVING DIRECTIONS PACKET. USE THE DIRECTIONS ON THE BACK SIDE OF THIS NOTE.** The game times are also changed. **6pm –B girls, 7pm-B boys, and 8pm-A boys. There is not an A girls game.**
2. Parent's night for the 8th grade players will be on **Friday, February 3rd**. The 8th grade parents and players will be announced before the 8:30pm boys A game.
3. The B team boys and girls tournament at West Lutheran School in Plymouth is **February 4th and 5th**. Schedules should be coming soon. This is the end of the B team season please return your uniforms to Mrs. Hansen ASAP.
4. On **Monday February 6th** St. Croix Lutheran High School is hosting Grade School Basketball Night during their boys and girls home basketball games. The girls' varsity plays at 5:30 and the boys' varsity plays at 7:30. On this night elementary players, coaches, and parents will have free admission, each student will receive a coupon to the concessions stand, their team will be acknowledged during the half-time of the varsity games, and there will be activities which involve the grade school students. Please let Mrs. Hansen know by February 1st if you plan on attending because St. Croix would like a count of how many will be in attendance.
5. **February 10th-12th** is the A team boys and girls league tournament. Brackets will be given out the week of the tournament.
6. **February 17th-19th** is the A team boys and girls New Ulm tournament. Brackets will be given out the week of the tournament. If you don't have a hotel yet please contact Mrs. Greene soon. This is also Spirit week. Look in the newsletter for the daily dress up days. This marks the end of the season please return your uniforms to Mrs. Hansen ASAP.
7. The end of the season basketball party will be held on **Thursday, February 23rd** from 3:30pm-5:00pm for all basketball players, and coaches. Please wear your practice clothes and be ready to scrimmage against one another.

Good luck to all of the teams for the remainder of the season.

Mrs. Hansen
Athletic Director

Good Shepherd, Burnsville Game - Jan. 27th



Directions to 13401 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd, Apple Valley, MN 55124
36.0 mi - about 47 mins

Save trees. Go green!
 Download Google Maps on your phone at google.com/gmm



A 14940 62nd St N, Stillwater, MN 55082

1. Head **west** on **62nd St N** toward **Oxboro Ave N** go 0.2 mi
total 0.2 mi
-  2. Turn **left** onto **4th St S/County Rd 24/Osgood Ave N** go 0.2 mi
total 0.4 mi
About 1 min
-  3. Take the 2nd right onto **MN-36 W** go 7.7 mi
total 8.2 mi
About 13 mins
-  4. Take the **I-694 S** ramp go 0.2 mi
total 8.3 mi
-  5. Merge onto **I-694 E** go 5.5 mi
total 13.8 mi
About 6 mins
-  6. Continue onto **I-494 S** go 12.5 mi
total 26.3 mi
About 12 mins
-  7. Take exit **70** for **Interstate 35 E South** toward **Albert Lea** go 1.0 mi
total 27.3 mi
About 1 min
-  8. Merge onto **I-35E S** go 5.2 mi
total 32.5 mi
About 5 mins
-  9. Take exit **93** for **Cliff Rd** toward **Dakota County 32** go 0.3 mi
total 32.9 mi
-  10. Turn **left** onto **Cliff Rd/Co Rd 32** go 0.8 mi
total 33.6 mi
About 3 mins
-  11. Turn **right** onto **Johnny Cake Ridge Rd** go 2.4 mi
total 36.0 mi
Destination will be on the right
About 5 mins

B 13401 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd, Apple Valley, MN 55124

These directions are for planning purposes only. You may find that construction projects, traffic, weather, or other events may cause conditions to differ from the map results, and you should plan your route accordingly. You must obey all signs or notices regarding your route.

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you or your child no
longer read?

Cleaning out old
books to make room
for new books?

*Coming
February 6-10!*

SPTO Book Swap

*Accepting Book
Donations NOW!*

We are accepting:

- Picture Books
- Chapter Books
- Non-fiction Books
- Novels
- Easy Readers
- Books for children & adults
- Books of an appropriate nature
- Videos/DVD's

**Receive "Book Bucks"
for donating books.
Use your "Book Bucks" to
purchase "new" books at
the Book Swap!**

**Donate your old
books to the
SPTO Book Swap
& pick up some
new books at the
same time!**

**Be a part of the 3rd
Annual SPTO
Book Swap! 😊
Bring your donations
to the school office!**

**If you have any questions,
please contact Daniele Golish
at 651-439-1422.**