

### The Bobcat News



TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Thursday, April 26, 2018

### THE FALL FEST PARKING SPOT FOR May/June

### BELONGSTO Jay & Myrna Lastusky!

### School Security Update!!

Greetings to Spring! We are in the process of locking down our whole school property. We are waiting on



the bid for an intercom/visual access system for our front doors. We will install it before the new school year. We keep looking for ways to provide a safe environment

for our families. Your input is greatly appreciated and given much consideration. We have had a couple dedicated school supporters step forward to help us cover this expense. If you feel strongly about future updates to our school security, and would like to help with the cost, we do have a fund set aside for this. Please see me if you have any questions. We are truly blessed by His people.

In Christ, Mr. Richard Thomas



Next Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, is National Day of Prayer. The children will be writing prayers

and presenting them at the altar. We invite our parents to join us. If you would like to write a prayer request, or offer a prayer of thanksgiving, we will pray for you. If you would please drop it off at the office, we will take it from there.



### Sycamore Next Steps

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to the Sycamore Education Software! We hope that you have benefited from the communication, grading, and scheduling features that we started using this year. This past month we also moved our library management over to Sycamore. You can now see what books we have in the Trinity Library through your Sycamore Desktop login. Once you login, go to "Info Center > Library" on the left-hand toolbar and you can check the school library to see if we have a certain book. You can also see what books your child has checked out by logging into Sycamore, then going to "My Family Students." Click on the code for your child, then within the specific student dashboard click on the "Library" button under your child's photo.

On May 1, we will begin using Sycamore to manage our daycare check-in and billing process. Daycare parents will now use the computer kiosk in the daycare to check their child in and out each day (unless they are coming from or going directly to class). It is a very simple system, and instructions will be given to parents in May. Please plan on coming a few minutes early the first time you drop your child off at daycare in May.

This summer we will continue to expand our use of Sycamore by

setting up automatic payment options, including credit card and ACH, so that families can more easily access and manage their billing accounts. Our goal for Sycamore is to streamline and simplify our systems so you can more fully participate in and enjoy your child's education. If there are other features that you would like us to consider implementing. please contact Jonathan Boll at

<u>jboll@trinitybillings.org</u>. Thanks again!



The results are in and

#### you're invited!

We are so thankful for the responses we got from the survey after Fall Fest 2017 and, as a result, there are some exciting things in store for Fall Fest 2018! We really want to put the FUN in fundraiser this year, but we are going to need your help! If you are interested in serving or are just curious about what that might look like, please join us as we share our vision for this event - there will be a leadership and planning meeting on Tuesday, May 15th at 3pm in the Multi-Purpose Room and we would LOVE for you to be there! Childcare will be provided. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, contact Jonathan Boll at 670-0124 jboll@trinitybillings.org or Samie Keller 855-2547 at samielynn@hotmail.com

# FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR!

The last day students may check out books will be the week of May 7th-11th. All checked out books are required to be returned by Friday, May 18th. Reminders and fine notices will be sent home in paper form and emailed to families. Final Report Cards will be held until books are returned or paid for. The library will be closed to students and teachers beginning Monday, May 21st. We will be doing a complete inventory of all 8,000+books the last 2 weeks of school. Thank you for being a blessing to our library! Mrs. Ullman

#### **ALUMNI NEWS!**

We love sharing news about former Trinity students. We already know what a great blessing Trinity Lutheran School is to so many children, but being able to share how they are continuing to use their gifts and talents is always an encouragement to others.

**Lexie Bloyder**, a 2014 alum, has signed with MSU-B for soccer. She is an Allstate mid-fielder for West High. She is a 4 year letter recipient and was this year's player of the year for West. She led West in scoring this year. Congratulations Lexie!!

## **IOWA BASICS TEST RESULTS ARE HERE!**

The results from the IOWA Basics tests have arrived. We ask that **parents** pick up their copy from the classroom teacher. They will not be sent home with the students. The goal of these tests are to look for patterns of growth and weaknesses. I have made copies of the test results from previous years for the 4th - 8th Grades. This should enable you to make those comparisons without having to search for earlier results. If you have any questions, please see the classroom teacher.

Mr. Thomas

## Message from Mrs. Edgar

(our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher)

Please keep Aaron Edgar, Dakota



and I in prayer as we have accepted a Call to Grace Lutheran Church and School in Jacksonville, FL, for next school year. We are

excited at the opportunities God has in place for us in Jacksonville, but it will be extremely hard to leave the family we have created at Trinity. However, we know God is leading the way and we wouldn't want it any differently. We would ask for prayers for our sanity as we look to move within about two months and for God to place the right person for Trinity in the 8th grade position.

## TIME TO PLAN FOR SUMMER CAMPS!!

On-line Registration is now open for Trinity Lutheran Camp in Bigfork, MT at:

www.TrinityLutheranCamp.org . To register for our LCMS District Camp in Red Lodge, MT go to: www.mtdistlcms.org/district-committees/district-youth . Both camps have programs for children, youth, adults and families.

## School Secretary Position Available

After 24 years of service to Trinity School, Beth Heiliger will be retiring in mid-August. We have been so blessed by her service to us, and she will be greatly missed! We are beginning the process of hiring a new secretary for our school and will be accepting applications until June 1. A position description and appliavailable are www.trinitvbillings.org/positionsavailable.html. Questions regarding this position should be directed to Jonathan Boll at 245-3984 or iboll@trinitybillings.org.

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TRACK MEET
FRIDAY, MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>
8:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.
5<sup>TH</sup> - 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADES
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



We are constantly humbled by the blessings we receive from our school families. This baby grand piano was gifted to the school by one of those families. They recently purchased a new piano for their home and thought of us when deciding who would benefit from this one. This was probably something Mrs. Speed only dreamed about for our Music Room. Thank you for this amazing gift.