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From the Principal

The transition from one calendar year to the next always causes me to pause and take stock of some things that happened and some that are on the horizon for the year ahead. What happened in 2023:

- We implemented a new English resource in grades 5-8, and early results look promising with increased student engagement.
- We updated our network infrastructure, offering a more reliable network experience (less buffering).
- We upgraded our phone system, giving all classrooms the ability to make phone calls from room to room and outside
- We implemented Talking Points. To date, we have sent over 46,000 messages via this system.

What are we looking forward to in 2024:

- We will open new 3K-5K classrooms
- We will implement a new English resource in grades 3 & 4
- We will finish our phone installation which will include a phone directory for all staff members

Thank you to everyone for their patience and support as we have moved through various phases of our Built on the Rock construction project. We are nearing the finish line and are excited to be able to use the space in the future. And, of course, thanks to everyone who contributed to my Christmas gifts and did the shopping or gave me personalized gifts. I have already put my coat and new sweater to good use and look forward to using both repeatedly this winter. Most of the candy and cookies have gone missing, but I can tell you they were delicious.

Finally, I would like to ask a couple of favors. We are now getting into our open enrollment season, and what you say about our school matters. We know we aren't perfect, but most of my conversations with parents and guardians lead me to believe we are doing a good job. Please take five minutes to leave us a rating on Google or Facebook. It helps others find out about us and can give them insight into your high-quality experiences.

Google

https://g.page/r/CflmnU2LjYY2EB0/review

Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/splgreenbay.school/reviews

Save the Date - February 24

The Outreach Committee and PTO are hosting a winter carnival and movie night on Saturday, February 24, 2024, from 3 pm-7 pm. There will be a bounce house, indoor games, crafts for all ages, school tours, a winter selfie photo booth, and concessions for purchase. The movie will begin at 5 pm, and everyone attending will receive a free bag of popcorn and a bottle of water. Please consider attending, and if you are able to do so, sign up to help here:

https://forms.gle/oVmVZ2h6temRw7GQ6 Or scan this QR Code

School News

Athletics

Be sure to sign up for volunteer spots for our home games. If you do not know how to run the clock or keep the scorebook, we will teach you! Away games at St. Peter, Weyauwega, on Friday, January 12, 4:30 pm - Girls A, 5:30 pm - Boys B, 6:30 pm - Boys A. Home games vs SVLS, Menasha, on Friday, January 19, 4:30 pm - Girls (4th-6th), 5:30 pm - Boys B, 6:30 pm - Boys A. January 16-19 is

SPIRIT WEEK! Home games vs Bethlehem, Hortonville, on Monday, January 22, 4:30 pm - Girls (4th-6th), 5:30 pm - Boys B. (Visit our Fox Valley WELS Athletic League website fivual.org to learn more.)

Technology

We continue our Mitel phone process, currently if the voicemail welcomes you to Immanuel Lutheran please know you are indeed at St. Paul Lutheran's voicemail. We are looking to add a new intercom system for next year and are pricing out vendors. If you know of a vendor hat would like to place a bid, please have them contact me @ jared.brennan@stpaulgreenbay.com

Extended Learning

Your second quarter extended learning reports will be in with the regular report cards. As always, if you have questions or would like to discuss your child's learning plan, please contact Mrs. Plitzuweit and Mrs. Blum.

Spring Musical: Annie

Please check your emails. The parent email and the student email should have a shared folder of the songs that the student can use to prepare for auditions. You also have a second email asking for confirmation of needing an audition. Please reply to that email, letting Mrs. Plitz know for sure if you are planning to audition or not. The schedule for auditions is being finalized for Wednesday and Thursday, January 24-25. I will schedule around basketball and cheer practice. Any questions, please contact Mrs. Plitzuweit.

PTC

Our next fundraiser night is on January 17th at Texas Roadhouse! Enjoy some good food with family and friends. Anyone can go; they just need to bring the flier! If you're looking to also get free appetizers, stop by the concession stand during a game and purchase a bag of peanuts!

Here are some items that these fundraisers have been able to purchase!

- Picnic tables for the playground area
- Two windows overlooking the gym were added in the conference room
- Some items needed for athletics

Chapel Offerings

In Quarter 2 our students collected \$176 to help support the ministry at Bay Area Life Center. Our chapel mission offerings for this quarter will go to support Academia Cristo. Academia Cristo (Christ Academy) is a multi-faceted effort of the Latin America missions team which seeks to 1) make disciples in Latin America by sharing the message of God's grace with as many people as possible, 2) identify and train potential leaders, and 3) encourage those leaders to make disciples who plant churches.

Academia Cristo is also a resource used here in North America to help reach Spanish speakers when there aren't any or sufficient bi-lingual workers in a congregation to reach their Hispanic neighbors. We even use it here at St. Paul as a devotional tool with our ESL classes!

Classroom News

7 & 8-Mr. Brennan

Thank you to everyone for the Christmas gifts and I hope you all enjoyed your time together over break. We are back in school and besides a random snow day, we are back on schedule. Report cards will be coming out next week, please be sure to return the envelopes after, I never got a few of them last term. In other news beyond our classroom:





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I have received a call to teach 7th Grade at St. John's Lutheran in Watertown. I actually attended St. John's Lutheran from preschool through eighth grade. I look forward to another opportunity to deliberate my call to St. Paul's as well as another Lutheran school. Please feel free to discuss the call with me as well as offer any advice you may have through the process.

Your Brother in Christ,

Jared Brennan

6-Mr. Jammer

Thank you everyone for the Christmas gifts, cards, and greetings. They are truly appreciated. Thank you to Mrs. Christina Barkow who led us in some fun activities during our classroom Christmas party. Thank you to those parents who donated items for our classroom Christmas party. We are back to our regular daily classroom routine and schedule. Looking ahead, Grades 5&6 sing in church here at St. Paul on Sunday, January 21, in the 10:30 am service. This Sunday is also our special Mission Festival Sunday.

5-Mr. Wellhoefer

Coming up, our class has the opportunity to sing at our 10:30 service on January 21st. Next week students will begin using recorders in music class. We are asking that everyone has their recorders here by tomorrow. We started a new unit in ELA which is on the Adventures of Don Quixote. Please encourage your child to be practicing their hymns and memory work throughout the week. Don't forget to wear pajamas on Tuesday!

4-Mrs. Hepner

We have been working on fractions in math. The hands on fraction tiles have been helpful for many of the 4th graders. Field trip notes for the Maritime museum came home this week. Please consider being a chaperone and join us! We began our next novel in reading, Number the Stars. We will be diving into the historical context of the books and working on our summary writing.

3-Ms. Broring

Welcome back from Christmas break! As we move into the second half of the year, we are looking forward to beginning learning how to play recorders in music class starting the beginning of February. If you did not purchase a recorder for your child at registration, please contact the school office. Information about our January 26th field trip to the Maritime Museum came home this week. We would love to have you join us as a chaperone!

2-Mrs. Bakeberg

Thank you to our parents and grandparents who were able to make our Barkhausen trip possible. I'm so glad we got some snow for snowshoeing! I am really emphasizing the correct spelling of words. So many words are being spelled incorrectly on spelling tests and daily creative writing. We have learned spelling and phonics rules, so students are being held accountable for their learning. Next week is Spirit Week when we dress up for designated days to show our school spirit. Please see the list in this Eagle edition.

1-Ms. Koenig

First grade is off to a great start in 2024! We had a fun time exploring God's creation at Barkhausen for our field trip. Thank you to those who drove for the field trip. Looking ahead, next week will be Spirit Week. Tuesday will be Pajama Day. In the classroom, we are learning to count by 1s and 10s to 120 in math. We've been exploring lights and shadows in science. Ask your child what opaque, translucent, and transparent mean!

K-Mrs. Jammer

Superkid Hot Rod is helping us in our study of the letter Hh. Our new math topic is "More Addition and Subtraction." We are learning about trees in winter and practicing ball skills in gym class. We have begun learning our song to sing in church on Feb. 25. Please save the date. We are excited for our field trip to the Children's Museum on Friday, January 19. Next week is Spirit Week. Tuesday will be Pajama Day.

3K & 4K-Mrs. Zabell & Mrs. Nelson

We are already enjoying some of the gifts our families bought us for Christmas! Dollhouse furniture, paint sticks, new cars, car mat, dress-up clothes, games...more to be used and introduced in future weeks. We love your generosity! This week we heard about the boy Jesus in the temple, obeying his earthly parents and heavenly Father perfectly. We can't, but He did!

From the office

As a reminder: if your child is out sick, please contact the office. There are a number of different ways you can get a hold of us!

- Text: (920) 435-9852
- Call: (920) 435-8468
- Email: office@stpaulgreenbay.com
- TalkingPoints: School Admins

Unsure if you qualify for free or reduced lunch? Reach out to Lisa at <u>Lisa.Ziegert@stpaulgreenbay.com</u> to get more information. St. Paul has lunch scholarship money set aside for this year.

Hot lunch billing for December has gone out! Your bill will say "January Lunch" but rest assured, this is for December lunch. If you have any questions, please reach out to Lisa at lisa.ziegert@stpaulgreenbay.com

There will be no ChildCare on 01/15 while there is no school. If you have any questions, please reach out to Zandalee at zandalee.zimmer@stpaulgreenbay.com

School Care Workers Needed

The before and after-school care program at St. Paul is very important to many families that utilize this service. We immediately need additional staffing to cover shifts Monday through Thursday each week from 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm each day. Ideally, we are looking for at least two people to help fill these times, helping out one to as many days as you are able. If you can help or know someone who can, please contact the St. Paul school office where applications are available or click here for a fillable ChildCare worker application. Brian Zwieg can also be contacted at education@stpaulgreenbay.com if there are questions. Without additional staff, the program is in jeopardy of continuing. Thank you for your help in support of this vital service to our families at St. Paul.

SPIRITWEEK!

TUESDAY 01/16: Pajama Day WEDNESDAY 01/17: Sports Day THURSDAY 01/18: Crazy Hair/Hat Day FRIDAY 01/19: Eagle Spirit Day





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Upcoming Dates

01/15: No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

01/15: Office Closed 01/16-01/19: Spirit Week!

01/21: Grades 5&6 - Sing at St. Paul

01/23: Early Release at 2:00 pm

You can find a link to the full school calendar <u>here.</u> You can find our Google Calendar <u>here</u>. Support your favorite Eagles by clicking <u>here</u>



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