***Hope Lutheran Preschool News***

 ***September 2018***

*Welcome to Hope Lutheran Preschool! We are off to a great start! We are so excited that your children are a part of our Preschool program and we are excited to be one of their first teachers! If you need to contact any of us during the year, listed below are our email addresses. For general questions, please email Mrs. Pluff, please also email Mrs. Pluff if your child will be absent from school as soon as possible.*

*Mrs.* *Pluff-kpluff@hopelutheran.org*

*Mrs.* *Baack-baack@hopelutheran.org*

*Mrs.* *Jaime-jaime@hopelutheran.org*

*Mrs.* *Johnston-johnston@hopelutheran.org*

*Listed below are upcoming events during the months of September through December. Additional dates may be added. A second list of upcoming events will go out in December for the months of January through May. Please also refer to the calendar that was sent home at Open House, it has all of the dates listed throughout the entire year. The calendar is also hanging on the bulletin board in the Preschool hallway and dates are posted on the website at hopelutheran.org.*

***Friday Sept. 7th-Fall Carnival and Annual Pie Auction-6-8pm, bring the family out for this fun filled event!***

***Thursday Sept. 13th-School Picture Day.***

***Order forms went home this week. Please order your pictures online or send the envelope with payment to school before Sept. 13th. School pictures will be taken during class time.***

***Guest Reader Program-***

*(October, November, January, February, March, April.)*

*If a parent, grandparent or special friend would like to be a guest reader in the classroom, please let your teacher know. Each teacher will schedule their own time frames and let you know what kinds of books to read.* ***To be a guest reader a background check must be on file with us at school. If you would like to participate in this program, please make sure you fill out a form.***

***Chapel and Bible Time-***

*This Wednesday Sept. 5th Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Jaime and Mrs. Pluff’s 4 yr old class will begin the teacher lead Chapel program. On Tuesday Sept. 11th, Mrs. Pluff and Mrs. Baack’s 3 year old program will begin Bible time together. This Thursday in your child’s folder will be a coin purse. Please keep this coin purse in your child’s back pack all year. If you would like to send a chapel offering with your child, you may place it in the coin purse and we will collect it either the day of Chapel or Bible time depending on which program your child is in. The first week we will talk to the children about how we can help others in need by sharing the love of Jesus. The coin purses were made in Guatemala and Mrs. Jankowski brought them back with her this summer after going there on a mission trip. Each quarter there will be a new mission that the chapel offering will be given to. This quarter’s mission is called Lead-A-Child. This organization helps children all over the world. We will collect the coin purses at the end of the year to use again. Thank you for helping in this ministry*

***Friday Sept. 21st-***

*Hope Lutheran Day School will dismiss at noon on Friday Sept. 21st for an in-service day. The All Day Pre-K program will still have school until 3:35 that day.*

***Scholastic Book Fair-***

*The Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to Hope Lutheran School on Friday Oct. 5th and will run through Friday Oct. 12th. Watch the signs in the hallway closer to the date with the days and times the Book Fair will be open.*

***Fire Safety week and Community Helpers-***

*The week of Oct. 8th, we will talk with the children at school about Fire safety and Community helpers. On Monday Oct. 8th, we will have a visit to the school by the Shawnee Fire Department. The children will learn fire safety from the Fire fighters and get to see the fire trucks and practice and all school fire drill.*

***Friday Oct. 12th-Grandparents Day***

*Grandparent’s day invitations will be sent home soon to the addresses that were given to the committee. At that time your family members will have the opportunity to rsvp yes or no. All children in attendance will be singing at the chapel program. If your child does not normally attend on Fridays, they are invited for the day but a grandparent or special guest will need to be attending the day as well. If your child normally attends on Friday for school, please let Mrs. Pluff know if your child will not have a grandparent or special guest in attendance. Please watch for additional information coming home soon from the Grandparent’s day committee. Extra volunteer help from parents is always needed.*

***Monday Oct. 15th and Tuesday Oct. 16th-Hope Lutheran Day School will not have school due to the Professional Workers Conference. Hope Lutheran Preschool will still be in session and the Full day program will have afternoons. A lunch from home for the Full day program will need to be brought.***

***Wednesday Oct. 17th-All Preschool Mom’s Night/Fall Festival 6 to 7:30pm.***

***This Preschool event will be held in the Preschool classrooms and Mom’s and students will enjoy many fun fall activities together. Dinner will be at 6 pm in Concord Hall. Please pick up a dinner for your student and mom at a local restaurant on the way or you may bring one from home. Moms and students will eat together and enjoy fellowship time before the nights events begin at 6:30pm. If mom is not available, another important female in your child’s life may attend with them.***

***Parent/Teacher Conferences-Thurs Oct 25th/Friday Oct. 26th***

*Parent Teacher conference will be held on Thursday Oct. 25th and Friday Oct. 26th. A conference signup sheet will be posted by each teacher the beginning of October. On Thursday Oct. 25th, Mrs. Pluff, Mrs. Jaime and Mrs. Baack’s class will not have school, Mrs. Johnston’s class will still be in session. On Friday Oct. 26th, Mrs. Johnston’s class will not have school (Lunch will not be served for the Full day program on Thursday Oct. 25th, so a home lunch will need to be brought that day.)*

 ***Friday Oct. 26th Trunk or Treat***

*Trunk or Treat is sponsored by the Hope Lutheran Church Youth groups. It will be held in the school parking lot from 5:30 to 7:30pm. Bring your family and join the fun!*

***Sat. Nov. 3rd-Hope Lutheran School Annual Adults Auction***

*Hope Lutheran School hosts an annual adult’s auction each year. The Proceeds of the auction go back to the School and Preschool to support programs like, technology, art, Spanish etc. The auction consists of both a silent and live auction as well as a dinner hour. More information will be sent home closer to the date. All adults are invited and welcome.*

*Each year, Hope Lutheran Preschool enters an item or items in the auction that can be bid on. This year we will be donating two gift card trees and a “Bucket of Books”. The gift card trees will be in the hallway beginning in October. If your family would like to donate a gift card or gift cards to the tree, they may place them on the tree. Gift cards can be in any dollar increment starting at $5.00 on up. The “Bucket of Books” will be a collection of Books for Preschool age children or younger. The Scholastic Book Fair would be a great place to purchase a book if you would like to add to the bucket.*

*The Auction also consists of a raffle item. The raffle will begin this Friday Sept. 7th. This year’s raffle item will be a car in partnership with Hendricks Nissan. The raffle tickets are $25.00 each or 5 for $100. If you or anyone you know would like to purchase one, please let Mrs. Pluff know. More information will come home soon.*

***Monday Nov. 19th-All School and Family Thanksgiving Lunch***

*More info will come home at a later date.*

***Thanksgiving break Nov. 21-23***

***Thursday Dec. 20th-All Preschool Christmas Program and Brunch 10am***

*More details will come home soon!*

***Christmas break will begin on Dec. 21st*** *and will run through Jan. 7th. School will resume on the 7th.****, more details soon.***