



Forest Hills

Lutheran Christian School

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September 6, 2019

Friends and Family of Forest Hills,

The month of September brings a lot of things in with it. In addition to school starting, there are many other things that happen in this month. It's a month of transition where the season actually changes from Summer to Fall, the leaves start to change, and you can start to feel the difference in the climate around us. Yet there's one other thing that happens in September, and for me personally, it's a huge nuisance.

Part of my morning routine is to work out. I head over to the pool each morning and put in a good number of laps before I start my day. However, September is a different type of month, because for two very loooooong weeks, they close the pool down for its' annual maintenance. I have no idea what they do during this period of time, but it's really an inconvenience for me!! My routine is interrupted, I have to find other ways to get exercise, and it just doesn't feel the same. Then, what really adds fuel to the fire is the first day back after they open the pool. It's amazing to see how much 'skill' has been lost with a two week absence! Sure, I still have the technique, but I joke with people and tell them that when I get back from the two week break, I jump in the pool and sink! 😊

What this makes me realize is that there are things in life that we need to do over and over again in order to both stay in the habit and improve our skills. Swimming may be one example, but there are many other things that we need to do each day in order to walk through our daily life. Can you imagine if God took a two week break from us? What if He needed some 'house-cleaning' time? As Christians, we know that we make it through each and every day because God is at our side. I can't imagine what it would be like if He set us off for two weeks and wished us good luck!

Thankfully, God never takes a break. He is always there walking us through this path of life. He doesn't tell us to go alone, but He stands firm on His promises that He will never leave or forsake us. We've all had those times in our life when we've questioned if God is really there. Those times are dark times for US and not a reflection on God. When it feels like God's 'blessing store' is closed for a two week break, we can go back to Scripture, and the floodgates of His love and mercy open up for us as we "read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest" His holy Scripture. When we think things might be falling apart, God is the master builder in our life who not only HAS the plan, He WROTE the plan!

Being in the Word is a critical aspect of the life of a believer. Just as we can't go without food and water, and just as we need to exercise our body, spiritual food and exercise is of utmost importance. We need to continually go back to the source to realize that God is granting us new mercies everyday. We need to hear that God loves us, that He forgives our sins, and that He is with us. These words and gifts are those that sustain us and allow us not to just live each day, but to thrive in this world – all from our loving Heavenly Father.

So where are you in your walk today? Are you actively 'working out' in God's word? Are you on a two-week break? Wherever you may be, know that God never moves and never changes. He is always there, ready to shower you with His good gifts. If you're on the break, why not end it now? If you're active, keep on going. Either way, our 'spiritual exercise' is also a gift from God, and He stands ready to pour His word into your heart. What a gift! What a God!

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal



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General Reminders:

- Did you know our staff **prays for each and every student**? During the year we pray for and send a postcard out to all your kids.
- The **Family Envelope** is a very important communication between the school and home. Please remember to return it each week.
- Please help your child remember to return their library books on **“Two Book Tuesday”**
- **Running Club Runners** cannot participate until a signed permission form (in office) is received
- **Visitor’s Badge** is required for anyone on campus after the bell rings at 8:15am
- Your child will be counted tardy after 8:15a.m. They must check in at the office for a **Tardy Slip**.
- Find the **School Calendar** at: http://www.fhls.org/main_pages/google_cal.htm

In your Family Envelope this week:

- **Picture Day Packet** – Picture Day is 9/16. You can also order online using code: **FO749045Q0**
- **Grandparents & Grandfriends Day** RSVP & volunteer info

Get Involved:

- **Picture Day Volunteer:** office@fhls.org
- **Monday Prayer Group:** join prayer group Monday 8:15-9am
- **Tuesday Bible Study** with Mr. Schiemann 8:30-9:30
- **Thursday Bible Study** with Kerry Bauer 8:30-9:30
- **First PTA Meeting** of the year is Monday 9/9 6:30-8pm, Day care available w/RSVP
- **After Hours Volunteers:** add your name to a list of Volunteers helping, on an as needed basis, with after hours office work. Contact the office at: office@fhls.org

Picture Day is Coming!

Order today at mylifetouch.com

Picture Day is:
Monday, September 16, 2019

Picture Day ID:
FO749045Q0



Important Date Change:

Bethlehem Walk has been moved to December 13

Dates at a Glance:

Monday 9/9	Prayer Group, 8:15-9am Library Running Club Starts 3-3:30
Tuesday 9/10	Mr. Schiemann’s Bible Study Starts, 8:30-9:30, St. Peters
Thursday 9/12	Kerry Bauer’s Bible Study Starts, 8:30-9:30, Library
Monday 9/16	Picture Day! PTA Meeting, 6:30-8pm in Library Prayer Group, 8:15-9am in Library
Tuesday 9/24	Happy Birthday Mrs. Myers!
Friday 10/4	Grandparents/Grand Friends Day at FHLCS
Monday 10/14	Picture Retakes
Friday 10/18	Teacher Work Day, No School
Monday 10/21	Happy Birthday Mr. Schiemann!

What: FHLCS PTA Meeting

When: Monday 09/16/2019, 6:30-8pm

Where: Library

PAL Hours: 1.5

Agenda

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, & Principal’s Report
- Introduction of PTA executive team
- PTA Budget Report
- Recap of Summer activities Back to School picnic, 4th of July Parade, and Farmers Market
- Fundraisers – McMenamins family and friends, Run for the Hills, Wreaths, Pie Guy, Bottle return, Box Top, New ideas
- Events PTA has done in the past and discuss if we should continue them... Harvest Festival - Set date at meeting, Me and my Guy (Father/Daughter), Me and my Gal (Mother/Son), Field Day, Bowling/swimming night, New ideas
- Discuss creating a Community outreach committee.
- Committee reports: Beautification committee, Teacher Appreciation
- General discussion/question

 You can cut and return this half in your folder or email PTA @ pta@fhlds.org before the meeting.

Family Name:

Yes! We are looking forward to attending! _____ (name)

No, we can't make it this time _____ (name)

Attendance earns 1.5 PAL Hours per adult!

Child care provided with RSVP! We need childcare for our kids:

Name: _____ Age: _____

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