

**Mission Statement**

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

In the secular world, this time of year is sandwiched in between two holidays and many people spend much of December talking about what they did or will do with their families during that time off. Many of us will likely do the same. I do hope, however, that we take a moment to pause and reflect on everything we have to be thankful for and are as excited as children for the greatest gift of all. I pray that your weeks will be filled with joy as we relive the exciting time leading to Jesus' birth.

**GaGa Ball Pit Build**

We are tentatively planning our GaGa Ball Pit build for December 11 at 1:00 PM. We are still looking for someone to coordinate the build, but if you are able to assist in any way at this time, please contact Stephen Miller at [stephen.miller@stpaulgreenbay.com](mailto:stephen.miller@stpaulgreenbay.com).



**Christmas for Kids**

We hope to see you all at our Christmas for Kids event on December 10 from 11-1. Lunch will be provided during the event as children recount the story of Jesus' birth. If you have not yet registered and are on Facebook, please take a moment to register [here](#). Knowing how many families to expect will help us be better prepared. Our theme this year will be Passport to Bethlehem. We look forward to seeing you there.

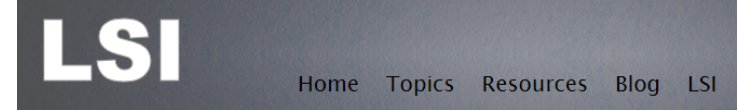
**Childcare During Christmas Break**

We have been having a difficult time finding childcare providers during Christmas Break. If you know of a student returning home from college or someone else looking to pick up a little extra money that would be willing to assist with childcare, please have them contact Brittany in the main office at [brittany.rivers@stpaulgreenbay.com](mailto:brittany.rivers@stpaulgreenbay.com)

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Athletics-Mr. Jammer**

I have been informed by SVLS, Menasha, that they do not have a Girls B team for basketball. So we will only have the two boys' games on Friday, January 6, and Tuesday, February 7 - 4:30 Boys' B, 5:30 Boys' A. **Home BB games vs Martin Luther, Oshkosh, this Friday, December 2:** Girls B - 4:30 pm, Boys B -5:30 pm, Boys A - 6:30 pm. There are still a few volunteer slots open.. (For information concerning our league visit our Fox Valley WELS Athletic League website [fvwal.org](http://fvwal.org).)

**Praise Chimes** - We ring this Sunday, December 4th, in the late service. Warmup is in Mrs. Bakeberg's classroom at 10:10.

**Junior Choir** - We sing in the early service on **Dec. 11th**; please meet in Mrs. Bakeberg's classroom at **7:40** for a warmup. We also sing in both the 2:00 and 4:00 services for the Children's Christmas Service on Dec, 17th.

**Technology- Mr. Brennan**

We had a technology meeting on Dec. 1st to discuss a quote for the re-cabling and new monitors for the office and faculty.

**Extended Learning- Mrs. Plitzuweit**

We are here to help make our students successful. As a first step in that process, please maintain strong communication with our classroom teachers. If you see a challenge arising or a victory celebration, please make sure to share that with the classroom teacher first. The extended learning program is the supporting member of the parent/teacher team!

**Spring Drama Production: Wizard of Oz!**

St Paul 5-8 grade students and parents, please keep an eye out for information coming home next week about auditions for the spring production of The Wizard of Oz! There will be a packet of audition materials, an audition contract, and an audition schedule. Any questions, please contact Mrs. Plitzuweit.

**PTO**

**Thank you** to everyone that helped with the PTO hosted Advent dinner. We had a great turn out and received lots of compliments on the food and flowers. Tomorrow we have a home game and all except for two volunteer slots are filled! We need two hall monitors for the A Team game at 6:30pm. Please [sign up here](#) if interested. Our next PTO meeting is on Monday, December 5th at 5:30pm. As always, you can join us on [Facebook](#) Live if you can't make it.

**Cookie Candy Fest**

The annual cookie/candy fest is this Sunday. Please drop off cookies and/or candies by 9am on Saturday. Volunteers are needed to help plate treats on Saturday from 9am - 12pm. Plates will be available for pick up on Sunday between services. Free will donations encouraged. Proceeds go to the school Library. Contact Lois Reineck with questions: 907-660-7713

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## CLASSROOM NEWS

### 7 & 8-Mr. Brennan

The South America unit is coming to a close so the Unit projects are due. It will be interesting to see the many different countries represented. The 7-8 grade are working on Christmas Service responsibilities, to be ready for Dec. 17th. A field trip will be taken on Dec. 19th to Bay Tek, Get Air, and Title Town.

### 5 & 6-Mr. Jammer

For planning purposes, let's look ahead to our classroom Christmas party on Wednesday, December 21. 1) Looking for a volunteer or two to help organize games/activities for our afternoon party. If you are willing, please let me know. 2) We will accept any food (*snacks, cheese/sausage & crackers, chips, cookies, goodies of any sort...*) and drink (*soda, water, juice...*) donations for the party. Will also need plates, cups, and napkins. If you plan on donating any of these items, please let me know. 3) Our class will be having a student gift exchange (an under \$10.00 gift - boys bring a gift for a boy, girls bring a gift for a girl).

### 4-Mrs. Hepner

New topics across the subjects were started this week. We are looking at all our operations to solve multi-step problems in math, in science we are beginning investigations all about energy, then in grammar we are beginning our lessons on adjectives. With the countdown to Christmas break now begins, how far along are the book report projects? How many of the 25 states and capitals are known for this quarter? As the weather continues to cool down, please remind your child that hats and mittens are a good idea to be worn during recess.

### 3-Mrs. Loescher

I would like to extend a HUGE thank you to the 5 chaperones who volunteered for our field trip just before Thanksgiving! We had a great time, thanks to you. Please be aware that we have started learning Memory Treasures that are for the upcoming Children's Christmas service. The children's Christmas Memory Treasure packets are kept in their WIP folders to be used at home and at school. The passages and songs can also be found on our class website.

### 2-Mrs. Bakeberg

We have now begun writing personal narratives. We've been doing an activity together, and then writing about it (Crazy Train and Red Light, Green Light). XtraMath is going well; many students have moved on to subtraction already! We will have a Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 21st. Boys bring a boy gift, and girls bring a girl gift (not for a specific person). Please label the gift To: boy/girl and From: your child. Gifts can be \$10 and under.

### 1-Mrs. Blum

Students just finished taking their Topic 4 Assessment in math. They fabulously showed their understanding of subtraction and how it is related to addition. We are also finishing our Science unit on Air and Weather and our Music unit on Pitch and Rhythm. Our music learning has prepared us to be great singers as we learn our songs for the Christmas service.

### K-Mrs. Jammer

We welcome Gus to our class. We've been busy learning our songs and recitations for the children's Christmas service. We made particleboard and plywood in science. In writing class we

interviewed a classmate and then drew a picture and labeled it to show what they like to do. We are becoming aware that songs have melodies that go up and down. Our new math topic is "Understand Subtraction." We will have a Christmas party and student gift exchange on Wednesday, Dec. 21. (an under \$10.00 gift - boys bring a gift for a boy, girls bring a gift for a girl). Label gift To: Boy/Girl From: Your child's name.

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

We did some brainstorming and experimenting with a piece of paper, painted with sponge rollers, worked on sequencing, and opened a vet clinic in our play area. The story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refusing to bow down to the big golden statue reminds us to worship the true God. For Christmas, your child may bring a gift for the classroom. Check our Facebook posts and [Amazon wish list](#) for ideas.

## FROM THE OFFICE

### Save the Date!

St. Paul will be hosting the CESA-7 Regional Spelling Bee on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Please plan on supporting our school on this outreach opportunity. Additional details and volunteer information to follow in the coming weeks. Contact: Angel Brubaker ([abrub22@gmail.com](mailto:abrub22@gmail.com)) or Tara Miller ([gbtara@gmail.com](mailto:gbtara@gmail.com)) with any questions

## UPCOMING DATES

**December 2-** Basketball home games vs. ML, Oshkosh

December 4 - Cookie Candy Fest @ 9am

**December 5** - PTO @ 5:30pm

**December 7** - Advent Services @ 3:45pm & 6:30pm

**December 9** - Boys A & B Basketball at Riverview

**December 10** - Christmas for Kids @ 11am

You can find a link to the full school calendar [here](#).

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