



Zion Lutheran School

Love one another as I love you

January 10 – 16, 2017



<u>Tues., Jan 10</u>	<u>Wed., Jan 11</u>	<u>Thurs., Jan 12</u>	<u>Friday, Jan 13</u>	<u>Sat., Jan 14</u>	<u>Sun., Jan 15</u>	<u>Mon., Jan 16</u>
	Chapel, 8:15am 2:45 Dismissal				Sunday School, 9:15 Church, 10:30	NO SCHOOL

January Memory Verse: If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. 1 Corinthians 13:2

From the Principal

I pray that everyone had an outstanding Christmas Break. 2017 is here. We are looking forward to great things in 2017.

Report cards went home last Friday, January 6. Please look over your child’s report card, sign, and have your child return their report card to their teacher. If you have questions about your child’s report card please contact their teacher. Our teachers will be happy to set up a time to answer all your questions.

Next week the students in grades 4-8 will be participating in the school’s Geography Bee. The winner will have the opportunity to qualify for the State Geography Bee. Good luck to all students next week.

Have a wonderful week in the Lord.

UPON THIS ROCK: Love One Another – From Parent Pages

“If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another” (1 John 1:7).

Social capital sounds like a type of government, but it is not. It is a way of describing how people work together to accomplish things they could not do as individuals. The world thinks it invented social capital, but as Christians we know better. Christ commands us to love one another. God built our brains to work better in groups. When we love one another we build

relationships. These relationships support our faith, help us to persevere in difficult times and allow us to accomplish God’s work on Earth. God designed us for fellowship—fellowship with Him and with each other.

Young children do not have a sense for social capital. Their friendships are innocent and often temporary. Two children playing in a sandbox is a friendship. Friendships are more about convenience and similar play preferences than anything else. Young children are learning how their actions affect relationships with others. They are learning how to maintain relationships and what to expect from friendships. The development of social capital is fairly straightforward because actions that are kind are clearly different from actions that are mean. Children who share tend to have more friends than children who hit!

It is the later elementary and middle school years that make the development of social capital a more complicated task. At this point children begin to be aware of motives and to think about people in terms of groups, or cliques. Cliques can be a good thing when they are made up of children who enjoy the same activities. We usually become aware of cliques when they become harmful, such as when the members of a clique begin to work to keep others out. Such children mistakenly believe that in order to have a group friendship there must be people excluded. The reason for exclusion does not have to be a stark difference; sometimes it is as simple as what kind of jacket you

wear or what football team you like. In order to maintain this exclusion, children will often assign ulterior motives to those on the outside. At this point social capital becomes social deficit.

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Zion Lutheran Youth

Youth group will begin again this Wednesday, January 11. Students in grades 5-8 are welcome to be a part of our Youth Program. Youth will begin at 6:30 pm in the school gym and will end at 8:00pm. We will have games, snacks, and a Bible Study each night at Youth. We hope you will join us for Youth on Wednesday.

School Mall Fund Raiser

Yesterday your child should have brought home an envelope with the words "Parents Please Help Us" across the top. Please take 10 minutes to complete the materials in the envelope and return them to school. That is all you have to do for your student to earn a prize and our school to earn money. Last year this fund raiser netted our school almost \$500.00!

2016 – 2017 Yearbook

Yearbook sales have begun! Don't miss getting this 32-page, full color memory of the school year.

Order before February 20 and the cost is \$18.00.

You also have the option, for \$2.00 more, of getting the student's name on the cover. Orders turned in on or after February 20 will be \$20.00 per book and the name on cover option will no longer be available. Orders and payment need to be turned in to the school office by February 27, 2017. Checks should be made payable to Zion Lutheran School. Orders may also be placed on-line at www.inter-state.com/yearbook. The code for our school is 11120X.

Anyone who would like to share pictures they have taken at school events may email them to lutheranschool@zionindy.com.

National Lutheran Schools Week

We will be celebrating National Lutheran Schools Week January 29 through February 3. The theme for 2017 is *Upon this Rock*. "*Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock.*" (Is. 26:4)

It will be a fun week! Please watch for more information and permission slips.

Important Dates

Jan 16 NO SCHOOL

Jan 18 Birthday Lunch

Jan 29 Choir sings for 10:30am worship service

Jan 29-Feb 3 National Lutheran Schools Week

Feb 5 Bring a Friend to Church Day

Feb 9 3rd quarter Parent-Teacher Conferences,
DISMISS AT NOON

Feb 10 Parent-Teacher Conferences, NO SCHOOL

Feb 15 Mr. Bradshaw leads chapel, 8:15am

Birthday Lunch

Feb 20 yearbook cost goes to \$20.00

Feb 27 deadline to order a yearbook

Feb 22-23 Spring Portraits

Feb 26 Chicken Noodle/Chili Supper