



THE CORRESPONDENT MARCH 9th, 2017

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

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| Skating Party @ Vinton 6-8 p.m. | 3/9 |
| Spring Pictures @ 8:30 a.m. | 3/10 |
| Parent Teacher conferences | 3/13- 14th |
| Early Dismiss @ 1:15 | 3/13 |
| Spring Break | 3/15- 17th |
| Early Dismiss @ 1:15 | 3/24 |

JESUS
is my superhero

Jesus is my Superhero
(Joshua 1:9)

Mission Statement:
Central Lutheran assists our families and congregations by preparing children to be disciples for this life and the life to come.

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**CLS MARKETING COMMITTEE
INVITES YOU TO THE VINTON
SKATING RINK THURSDAY, MARCH
9TH FROM 6-8 P.M. COST IS \$4 AND
CONCESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE.**

PTL POSITIONS ARE NEEDED

For the 2017-2018 School Year, the PTL board is still looking for 2 new officers: President and Vice President. If you have any questions about any of these roles, please contact Lana Robison via fast direct.

Please sign up for conferences if you haven't already done so. Here is the link
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4DAEAD2EA13-201620171>

**SPRING PICTURES ARE FRIDAY,
MARCH 10th. FLYERS WENT HOME
WITH STUDENTS THIS WEEK.**

**THE TRUCKLOAD PTL PLANT
SALE IS MAY 5-6th. WE HAVE
GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE
IN THE OFFICE IN \$10 AND \$25
INCREMENTS. GET YOURS NOW!**

**Fine Arts Festival forms went home
this week with the youngest in each
family. Save the date of March 28th @
6:00 p.m. If you need additional forms,
we have more in the office.**

Spring Fling Basket Items – Collection Dates

The Spring Fling is fast approaching and we are in need of classroom donations for your child/ren's themed baskets. Some classrooms are looking great, while others need a little help! We will continue to collect items **through March 22nd**. This is a huge fundraiser for our PTL, which directly benefits each and every student at CLS! Please consider donating if you are able. Attached is the list of each classroom's theme and ideas for donations. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Franck at (319) 721-4251 or jessmfranck@gmail.com..

Early registration for the 2017-2018 school year at Central Lutheran began February 1, 2017. Registration packets are available on the school website or by calling Central Lutheran school at 223-5271. Registration fee of \$315 does apply to all K-8th grade students. That fee increases to \$385 when registration is opened to everyone else on April 1st. Returning students and new students who are members of St. Johns in Keystone, St. John in Newhall and St. Stephens in Atkins may register now.

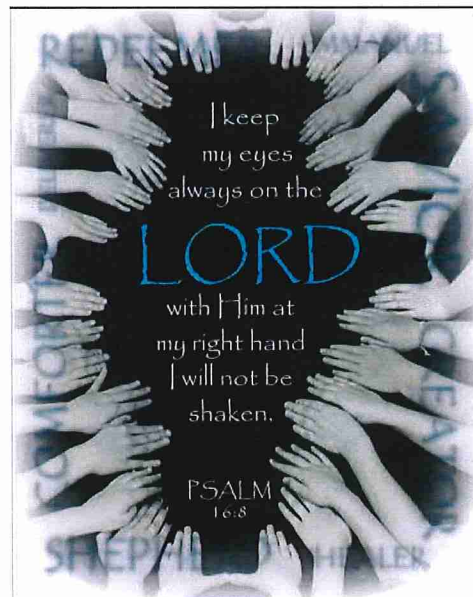
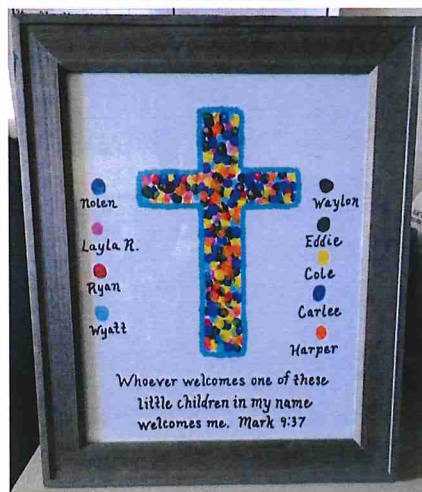
CENTRAL NEEDS JANITORIAL HELP

All Seasons Cleaning Management is currently searching for two individuals to **immediately** fill nightly classroom cleaning positions at Central Lutheran School, Newhall. This is an excellent part time financial opportunity for a husband/wife cleaning combination, or a parent/high school student team (must be 18 to apply). Even grandparents that would like to financially assist their grandchildren in receiving a Christian education are eligible to apply. Contact Kandi @ All Seasons Cleaning Management 319-261-2268. Cleaning hours and cleaning strategies are flexible. If you have questions about what the job entails, stop at CLS in the evening and Jean Wild will be glad to answer your questions.

JUST A REMINDER- THE DEADLINE FOR COKE BOTTLE CAPS AND THE TURNING IN OF HY-VEE RECEIPTS IS MARCH 31ST.

SPRING FLING NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!

Items for our upcoming Spring Fling Live & Silent Auction and Raffles are starting to arrive! Check out the pictures of just a few of the items we already have Looking for ways to enjoy some great family time or to keep the kids busy on those rainy days? Look no further than our Spring Fling raffle and auctions! We have some fun donations from Air FX, Iowa Children's Museum, May City Bowling, The Play Station, Sky Zone Indoor Trampoline Park, and Vinton Skate & Activity Center! If you have something you would like to donate, please contact BarbSchanbacher at [319-560-6786](tel:319-560-6786) or the school office. Thank you!



Pillows and Cross (made from wheel bearings) - Michael and Jess Fry
 3 yr old preschool project-framed
 fingerprint cross
 Popcorn bowl- 4 yr old preschool
 Cross Hands Print- 2nd grade class project

Central Lutheran School's 50th Anniversary

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

~ Proverbs 22:6

On Saturday April 29th at 2pm, Central Lutheran School will be celebrating 50 years in Christian education with a worship service, followed by a meal and fellowship at the school. We hope this event will provide an opportunity for our alumni students, faculty and staff, and their families, the opportunity to reconnect with each other and reminisce on the wonderful legacy of faith and love that has been built through the blessing of Central Lutheran School.

To purchase tickets for the meal (\$10 per person for age 6 and up), please go to <http://cls50years.org> to purchase online, or contact the CLS office to purchase with cash or check. Tickets will also be sold in the local churches on various Sundays throughout the month of March, and early April.

Not interested in the meal? The worship service is open to anyone, no tickets needed. CLS will also be publishing a commemorative DVD, which will include a recording of the worship service, footage of our principal's roundtable discussing the CLS history throughout the years, and many, many photos from all 50 years of the school's history. Student, staff, faculty or other affiliation to CLS – please go to <http://cls50years.org> to update your contact information with us, so we can keep our mailing list up to date.

Please contact the CLS office if you have any questions, 223-5271.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

How to Improve Attention Spans

If you're saying, "Focus!" more than usual, here are some creative and constructive ways to increase your child's attention.

Child development experts say that, on average, children should be able to stay focused on a task for two to five minutes times the year of their age (ex. a 5 year old should be able to focus on a task for 10-25 minutes).

- Give attention to get attention. It's easy for parents to get distracted at home, especially when there are other children to take care of, but if our attention is scattered, we can't expect our child to be able to focus. Being in close physical proximity while giving clear and concise instructions helps children focus better on what is being said: stand right in front of them, make eye contact, be at their level.
- Decrease the distractions. Before starting homework, does your child need a snack? Or a short nap? If a child is hungry or tired, that could get in the way of their ability to focus on a structured task.
- Encourage children to be active during unstructured time. Limit TV time, which can sap a young child's attention span. Instead of turning on the TV or handing them a smartphone, have them focus on other activities that will help increase attention spans. Children can read, work on a puzzle, help make dinner, build forts out of blocks and chairs, and help with household chores.

~Mrs. Perez

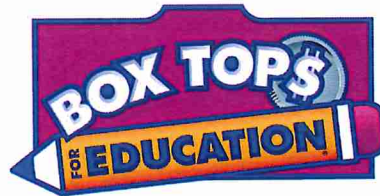
Sunday Worship Schedule

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| St. Stephen's Lutheran Atkins Worship 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am | St. John Lutheran Church Newhall Worship 8am, 10:30am Sunday School 9:15am | St. Andrew's Lutheran Church Van Horne Worship 10:00am Sunday School 8:45am |
| St. Mark's Lutheran Church Garrison Worship Sat 6pm, Sun 8am Sunday School 9am | Trinity Lutheran Church Vinton Worship Sat 5:30pm, Sun 9am Sunday School 10:15am | Zion Lutheran Church Shellsburg Worship 10am Sunday School 8:45am |
| Grace Lutheran Church Blairstown Worship 10am Sunday School 9am | First Lutheran Church Belle Plaine Worship Sat 6pm, Sun 10:15am Sunday School 9am | St. John Lutheran Church Keystone Worship Sun 10am Sunday School 8:45am |

SUPPORT CLS



Bring in Coca-Cola bottle caps and codes. Ending March 22.



Box tops earned CLS over \$500 in 4 weeks! Thank you to all who contributed to the contest!!

Turn in all Hy-vee receipts – CLS earns 0.5% of the total. \$912.35 so far since May 1st



Chapel News:

3rd Trimester Offering: Hearts for Jesus
Next chapel leader: Pastor Leckband
March Hymn: Jesus, Remember Me
Singing: 1st Grade



We will recycle your old cell phones.

Track Sign-up

We are looking ahead to the spring sports season and need to know your child's intent as to their participation. We will practice two days a week beginning April 18, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 5:15 for the entire season. There is only one track meet again this year that is at LIS Williamsburg on Saturday May 13th. This is for boys and girls in grades 3rd-8th. We have secured plenty of coaches this year so we are hoping to get a large number of students involved as there are event(s) suitable for everyone. Lana Robison will be the main/head coach for everything but we will be getting additional coaching help from Heather and Kaitlyn Miller, as well as the possibility of a couple others. If your child decides to go out, it is important that they always remember to bring layers of clothing, properly fitting shoes, a water bottle, and a hair tie if necessary. We look forward to a great Track and Field season!

7th/8th graders who want to do track at Benton as well may do so, however they will need to make at least one practice for Central in order to run in our meet

Please return this form, **even if your child is not participating in track**, to Mr. Stenberg by Friday March 31st.

_____ My child will be participating in track this spring.

_____ My child will NOT be participating in track this spring.

Child's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____

Fine Arts Festival 2017

Central Lutheran's Fine Arts Night is Tuesday, March 28, at 6 pm. The CLS Fine Arts Night is an opportunity for K-8th grade students to showcase and be judged on a performance entry, such as vocal, instrumental, or oral readings pieces. The CLS Fine Arts Night has no creative writing or arts/crafts competition. The IDE Festival (see below) has a category for creative writing and arts/crafts.

(The next paragraph is tentative. We do not have confirmation from Readlyn.)

The Iowa District East Festival of Arts is scheduled for Saturday, April 22, from 9:00am-12:00pm at the Klinger Building in Readlyn and Immanuel Lutheran Church-Klinger (2681 Quail Ave., Readlyn, IA). Opening Devotions will be held at 9:00 am in the church. If you cannot attend devotions, please check in at the school office when you arrive. Creative Writing, Art/Craft items will be judged, as well as Performing Arts. Schedules of performance times will be made public in April. (If you are entering a performance piece at the IDE Festival of the Arts, students must first enter and perform at the CLS Fine Arts Night.)

All students, K-8, are **strongly encouraged** to participate in one or both fine arts events. Each family needs to decide what is fitting for each child to do. Each child is allowed a maximum of six (6) entries with a maximum of 3 performing arts entries per student allowed. Students who need piano accompaniment for vocal or instrumental entries should find their own accompanist.

Creative Writing and Arts/Crafts should not be a class assignment or anything previously graded or judged. It should be a project completed since the beginning of the current school year. Creative Writing and Arts/Crafts pieces will be judged prior to the day of the IDE Festival. Late entries may not be judged. Ensure all projects are identified with the student's name in case an entry form gets lost.

Send in no money. PTL covers the full cost of Readlyn entries. There is no cost to enter the Fine Arts Night at Central.

Please read the top of each form carefully and fill out the appropriate forms for Central Lutheran or Community Lutheran. You can make extra copies of the attached forms or obtain them from our school.

If you are performing with a group, please put all the performers' names on one entry form.

Performing Entry Forms for both CLS and Readlyn Due: March 10
Creative Writing Pieces and Entry Forms for Readlyn Due: March 24
Arts/Crafts Items and Entry Forms for Readlyn Due: March 24

For more information, please contact a Fine Arts Committee member or your child's teacher.
Thank you.

CLS Fine Arts Committee
Mr. Dave Runge
Mrs. Pam Williamson

Central Lutheran Performing Arts Entry

Name: _____

Please mark entry type:

Vocal: Solo _____ Small Group (max. 8) _____ Instrumental: Brass _____ Woodwind _____ Percussion _____ Piano _____

Drama (max 8) _____ Dance _____ Reading _____

Grade: _____ Age: _____

Accompanist: _____ Years of Experience: _____

For Plays, Skits, Readings, note time required if more than 3 minutes: _____

Title of Selection(s): _____

Judge's Comments:

Central Lutheran Performing Arts Entry

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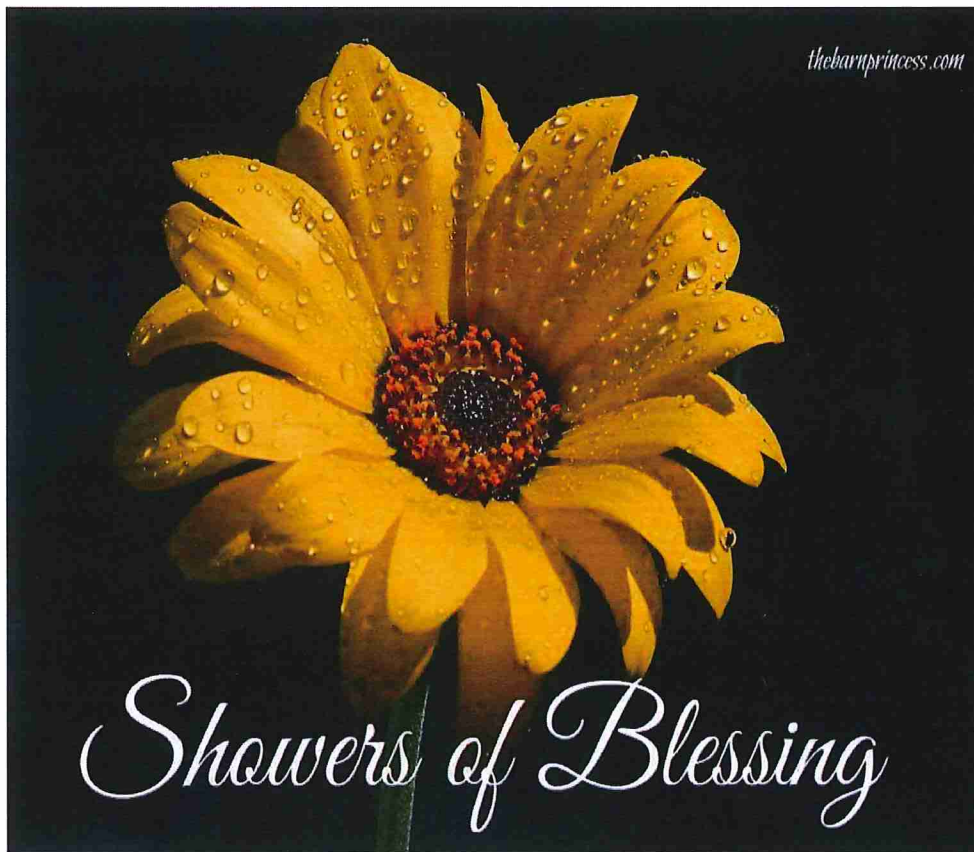
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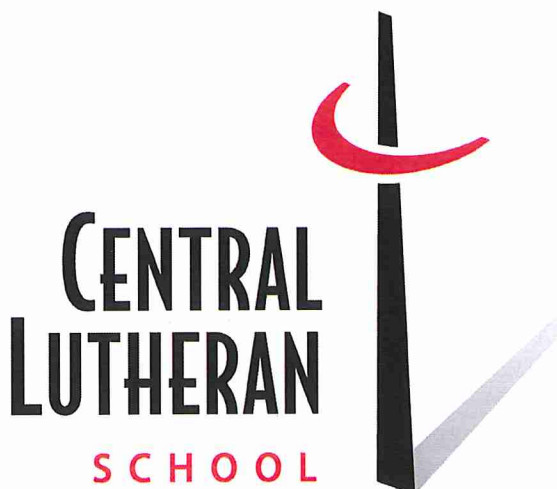
Judge's Comments:



Showers of Blessing

April 1st 2017 SPRING FLING

**~SHOWERS OF
BLESSINGS**



Games, Raffles & Silent
Auction 4-6

Food till 6:30 pm

~Free Will Offering

Heads or Tails Game for
an iPad Air at 6:30 pm

~Sponsored by Beck's
Hybrids & Newhall Family
Chiropractic & Massage
Therapy, Dr. Jacob Pudenz
D.C & Rachel Dedrick - LMT

Live Auction Starts at
6:45 pm.

Paddle Auction
proceeds will go toward
the school's wireless
system update

Come & enjoy food, fun &
fellowship while
supporting CLS students
& teachers.

Central Lutheran School
Basket Themes for Spring Fling Raffle
April 1, 2017

PRESCHOOL - Arts & Crafts

Beads
Construction Paper, Sketchbook
Crayons, Colored Pencils, Markers
Easy Craft Kits, Foam Stickers
Paint, Brushes, Finger Paints
Play-Doh & Accessories
Stickers, Glue, Scissors, Glitter Glue
Watercolors

KIND/1st GIRLS – Girl's Gadgets

Barbies & Accessories
Disney Princess
Dolls & Accessories
Hair Accessories, Nail Polish, Socks
Hello Kitty, My Little Pony, Shopkins
Lego Friends Sets
Toy Horses
Toy Jewelry, Dress Up Clothing

3RD GRADE – Summer Fun

Beach Towel, Flip Flops
Frisbees, Hula Hoop, Jump Rope
Kites, Butterfly Nets, Bubbles
Large Beach Tote
Pool Toys, Floaties, Noodles
Sand Toys
Sidewalk Chalk
Sunglasses, Swim Goggles, Sun Visor
Sunscreen, Bug Spray

5TH GRADE – Family Fun Night

Board Games, Card Games
Bowling Passes, Movie Passes
Magic Trick/Science Experiment Kits
Movie DVDs, Puzzles
Restaurants/Pizza/Ice Cream Gift Cards
Outdoor Family Games
Snacks & Drinks (Non Perishable)

7TH/8TH GRADES – Hawkeye/Cyclone

Blankets, Totes, Backpacks
Coasters, Jug, Tumblers
Cups & Plates with Logo
Hats, Caps, Gloves, Socks
Stationery Items with Logo
Toys, Gadgets, T-Shirts, Sweatshirts
Window Decals, Flags

KIND/1st BOYS – Boys Toys

Cars, Trucks, Trains, Tractors
Character Watch
Fisher Price Trios, Legos, K'Nex
Model Car Kits
Nerf Toys
Remote Control Vehicles
Transformers
Video Game/Minecraft Toys

2ND GRADE – Superhero

Anything with Superhero Theme:
Action Figures & Toys
Activity & Story Books
Band-Aids, Sunglasses, Watch
Blankets, Beach Towel
Costumes, T-shirts, Hats
School Supplies, Puzzles, Stickers
Water Bottles, Cups, Plates

4TH GRADE – Green Thumb

Fertilizer-Miracle Grow
Flower Pot, Potting Soil
Garden Ornaments
Gloves, Kneeling Pad
Hand Tools, Pruning Shears, Trowels
Large Bucket or Tub
Seeds, Bulbs
Small Lawn Cart
Watering Can, Hose, Nozzle

6TH GRADE – Cubs OR Candy/Pop

T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Hats/Caps, Gloves
Scarf, Bracelets, Headbands, Socks
Tumblers, Mugs, Window Decals
Blankets, Bags/Totes, Gadgets
Posters, Flags
OR 2 large bags candy and 2 6pk of bottled pop for games (no cans please)

STAFF – Spa Day

Bath Bombs/Salts, Soaps & Gels
Body Butter, Oils, Lotions
CD of Soothing Music, Massage Tools
Manicure/Pedicure Accessories
Scented Candles, Chocolate
Shower Brush, Loofah Sponge
Slippers, Towel

From: Newhall Recreational Board**Youth Summer Baseball/Softball Signup Night*****When: Tuesday, March 14th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.******Where: Newhall Park Pavilion***

| Team | Grade |
|---------------|---|
| Tee Ball | Pre-K and Kindergarten |
| Coach Pitch | 1 st and 2 nd |
| Little League | 3 rd , 4 th , and 5 th |
| Pony League | 6 th , 7 th , and 8 th |

Note: Team placement is based on the current grade of the student.**Note: Please email questions to Bryan Blomberg at bryanblomberg@yahoo.com.**

Save The Date!
Sat., April 22, 2017

Iowa District East Fine Arts Festival
Community Lutheran School, Readlyn/Klinger

Students grades K-8 should make plans now to participate and attend!

WATCH for details coming from your school in February.

Share your God-given talents with us:

- **Arts & Crafts — including LEGOS!**
- **Drama & Speech — Act out a Bible Story!**
- **Vocal & Instrumental Music**



If you have questions, or do not receive the information, please contact:
Becky Wehrspann (bmw@jtt.net; text: 319.240.3441)
Sara Strottmann (esstrottmann@hotmail.com; call/text: 319.240.0119)

BENTON COMMUNITY SOFTBALL CLINIC



- When:** Saturday, April 1, 2017
6th grade-8th grade: 9:00-11:30
3rd grade-5th grade: 12:30-3:00
- Where:** Benton Community High School Gym
(If field and weather permits we may move outside)
- Clinic Fee:** \$25, please make checks payable to Benton Softball -
all proceeds benefit the Benton softball program
- What to bring:**
- *Wear comfortable clothes and prepare to be outside possibly
 - *Tennis shoes for gym, cleats for outside if you have them
 - *Glove
 - *Catchers equipment (if you have any and are a catcher)
 - *Bat (if you have one)
 - *Helmet (if you have one)
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- Areas of Instruction:**
- *Hitting/Bunting (vs. a pitcher, tee, pitching machine)
 - *Infield (grounders, pop flies, bunt coverage)
 - *Outfield Play (grounders, pop flies)
 - *Base Running
 - *Pitching/Catching
- Questions:** Call Coach Stenberg at 361-4227 or 446-6256.

****Coaches and parents are encouraged to come watch new drills your child may learn.**



Softball Clinic Release Form

Participant's Name _____ Current Grade: _____

T-Shirt Size (check one) Youth: ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L
Adult: ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL

Telephone where parent/guardian can be reached **during** the camp: _____

In consideration of the acceptance of this application for registration, I, intending to be legally bound, hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and release any and all rights claims for damages I may have against Benton Community High School or its representative and/or assignees, for any and all damages which may be sustained and suffered by me or my child in connection with my association with or entry in this camp, and which may arise out of my traveling to, participating in, or returning from this camp. I understand that in softball, like any athletic activity, there is a possibility of injury.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please send the release form and money to: Eric Stenberg, Benton Community High School, PO Box 70, Van Horne, IA 52346 by Tuesday March 21 to be guaranteed a shirt.