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MISSION STATEMENT

- Preparing children with spiritual strength
- Equipping Christian leaders
- Creating a foundation for academic achievement



2011-2012 THEME

Promises Made...Promises Kept

II Peter 1:4 & Joshua 23:14b

CALENDAR EVENTS

January

- 4** –Early Dismissal. School dismissed at 2:00 pm
Early Dismissal Club
- 9** –Open House K-8 6:30 pm
Re-enrollment for 2012-2013 School Year Begins
- 13** –Second Quarter Ends
Western Day
- 16** –Martin Luther King Holiday—NO SCHOOL
- 18** –Move Up Day all ELC
- 19** –Move Up Day Pre K ELC
- 27** –Open House & Beach Day ELC

inside. But Jesus has a foot in the doorway. That foot, if we look at it closely, has a scar where a nail once pierced it. There are matching marks on Jesus’ hands. Ugly? Yes. But they are because of us, for our salvation.

Jesus Christ brought an “open door policy” to the world. It’s a policy that makes God accessible to all of us. His “open door policy” opens to us a new life. He welcomes repeated visits as we seek forgiveness. He gives us tools to fight temptation and cultivate grace. He even makes us a part of His open door, and He doesn’t need an appointment.

The Holy Spirit has chosen and equipped us to be a doorway to Jesus. Parents are a door to their children, to direct them to Jesus. Teachers at Trinity Lutheran School, as they share God’s Word, open the gates whereby children enter God’s new garden of paradise. What the children find beyond that doorway are joy, peace, security, growth, and an everlasting place in God’s presence.

During this New Year and always, enter God’s open door where you will always find forgiveness, joy, peace, and eternal life. May you have a blessed New Year.

Mark Your Calendars

A parent information meeting has been scheduled for Monday, **January 9th**, beginning at **6:30 p.m.** In addition to sharing important information, all



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Open Door Policy

The faculty and staff of Trinity Lutheran School maintain an “open door policy”. They are eager to listen to students’ and parents questions, concerns, and suggestions. Of course, out of courtesy for their time, it is wise to make an appointment or ask the question: “Do you have a few minutes to listen?”

Satan maintains an “open door policy,” too. He’s always accessible. He wants us to feel at home with him. He welcomes us, especially those of us who do business with his main competitor. . . Jesus. Sin would love to slam the door on us once we’re

parents will be given re-enrollment information for the 2012-2013 school year.

The schedule for January 9th is as follows:

- 6:30 Parents will visit the classroom of their child(ren)'s teacher next year
- 7:00 Parents will meet in the church Fellowship Hall for general information and a re-enrollment packet
- 7:30 Dismissal

We Welcome Three New Students

Evan Shreiner joined our first grade class just before Christmas. Marissa Newton (first grade) and Caley Smith (kindergarten) began school at Trinity today, January 3rd. Caley's sister, Abby, also started in the Early Learning Center in the four-year old class.

Word of Mouth

... is the most effective school recruitment tool. You are always in touch with many families in your church and in your neighborhood. If they have children ages 3-8th grade, let them know about Trinity Lutheran School and why your children are here. As you know, the most important purpose of TLS is its mission to share the love of Jesus and prepare them with spiritual strength. The committed and caring teachers, the academic rigor all add up to a school setting where children can thrive. Pass it on, and thank you for doing so. Invite them to the parent information meeting on January 9th.

Early Release Day – Wednesday, January 4th

Make plans to pick up your children at 2:00 p.m. or enroll them in the Early Release Club from 2:00 – 3:15. After a Bible study, the teachers will receive technology training from our own Mrs. Kim Fort. That will be followed by the discussion of a variety of topics related to school marketing, evaluation and assessment, Lutheran Schools Week, K-3 spring musical, and more efficient use of the library

resources. We thank you for making arrangements to accommodate the Early Release Day schedule.

Reading Plus

Students in grades 3-8 are participating in Reading Plus, a web-based silent reading speed and comprehension training program. In this program, attention is also given to vocabulary development through context clues. Since beginning the training in late October, our students in grades 3-8 have increased their silent reading speed by twenty-five percent and their comprehension by almost ten percent. These 46 students have read almost 800,000 words or about 17,400 words each in a controlled program of improving their silent reading speed and comprehension.

Blessings,

Kenneth Palmreuter, Principal



Welcome Back! We pray everyone had a wonderful Christmas and we look forward to sharing a New Year with our school families and friends.

During this month we will be learning about winter, penguins, the colors black and white, rectangle shapes, the letters D,L,W and numbers 7 & 8. We also continue to review the letters, shapes and numbers that we have previously learned. This month we will also be celebrating the following birthdays: Ben Manherz, Emma Manherz and DJ Wince.

Listed below are some important dates to put on your calendar:

Monday and Tuesday, January 9th and 10th

Re-enrollment begins for the Early Learning Center and Trinity Lutheran School, grades K-8. We begin accepting registration applications on these days and would love to have your child continue their school experience at Trinity. Please let Mrs. Foos know if you have a child who is interested in the ELC or School.

Wednesday and Thursday, January 18th and 19th

These days have been set aside for our Pre-Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten classes to experience a "Move-up Day" at Trinity Lutheran School and visit the kindergarten classroom. We would like to encourage our parents to attend during Move-up Day, or set up another time when you can meet the teachers and observe the classroom. More details about Move up Day will be shared as it gets closer.

Thursday and Friday, January 26th and 27th

We will be having Beach Day at school and an Open House for the community on the 27th from 10:00 – 11:30. Everyone is welcome. Please invite your friends and neighbors.

God's Blessings,
Susan Foos, ELC Director

PTC Corner

Continue to Collect those Box Tops!!



Thank you to all of you who have diligently collected box tops for our school! Our first check arrived over the break for \$495.70! What a blessing so keep clipping away! A special "thank you" to **Laurie Parton** who has kept track of all those clippings and made sure they were turned into dollars for TLS!

Pancake Breakfast Thank You!!

We wish to extend a heart-felt "thank you" to the following people who helped start our Christmas Break in such a fun way. The pancake breakfast held on December 20 was so much fun and could not have been done without your help!!

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| Katherine Bohler | Matt Samuelson |
| Michelle Butler | Isaiah Struve |
| Melissa Higgins | Brian Wright |
| Sara Roettjer | The TLS Staff |
| Aiden Samuelson | |

Thank you also to all the parent volunteers who helped with the individual class parties. The time and

effort you put in are much appreciated and so are YOU!

New Year...New SCRIP Contest!



Happy New Year to everyone! We have a new scrip contest for the months of January and February. For every \$100 in scrip ordered, you will receive an entry into the drawing for a \$100 discount from the school re-enrollment fee. The drawing will be held on February 27th.

If you need to pay your Kohl's bill, be sure and purchase scrip for that. It is the only retailer that will let you pay your card off with one of our fundraising gift cards!

The scrip store will be open on Monday and Friday mornings from 8:00 – 8:30 right outside of the school office. If you have any questions, please contact Katherine Bohler at [303-840-4129](tel:303-840-4129) or bohoho@centurylink.net.



Reminder for when your child is absent

The cold and flu season is indeed upon us! Please remember to notify the school when your child is going to be absent for the day. You can call the school office, email us, or have a sibling tell the appropriate teacher or staff member. Knowing your child will not be in class helps the teachers plan accordingly for their day.

Cold Weather Policy

The Parent/Teacher handbook was recently updated to include the following cold weather policies regarding dress and recess time:



Students are expected to dress appropriately for the current weather to allow for normal outdoor activities such as recess and physical education. Children will not go outside for recess if it is raining, there is a danger of lightning or severe wind, or the wind chill index is colder than 20 degrees Fahrenheit.

The staff will check the current weather conditions via the National Weather Service for our area at both 9:30 am and 11:30 am to determine if it is warm enough to go outside for recess. Please make sure your child has cold weather coats, hats, gloves, pants, etc. Snow play will not be permitted unless the students have the appropriate attire including boots.



Colorado 5th Graders Ski for Free

The Colorado Ski Country USA (CSCUSA) offers a program for all Colorado 5th graders allowing them to ski for free. The registration deadline

is Jan. 31st and you must apply online. The link below will take you to a frequently asked question page. You can register by clicking on the tab at the top of that page. Thank you to Deb Holmstrom for the tip!!

<http://www.coloradoski.com/frequently-asked-questions>



Come Support Our Trinity Eagles Basketball Teams

Our boys and girls JV teams are ready to start the new year off with some exciting games of basketball! Please come support them at one of the upcoming games. Directions are available on our website and our home games are played at the Castlewood Christian School gym.

Thurs., Jan. 5: away game at Peace with Christ
4:00 girls 5:00 boys

Tues., Jan. 10: home game vs. Gethsemane
4:00 girls 5:00 boys

Thurs., Jan. 12: home game vs. Bethlehem
4:00 girls 5:00 boys

News from around Trinity Lutheran Church



A funeral planning and preparations workshop is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 2, 2012 from 10:00-11:30 am. In addition to information shared by Pastor Terry Beltz, a panel of experts in the field of financial planning, a funeral director, and lawyer will be present to address questions from participants. Pre-registration is required! There is a \$10 fee per couple or individual to cover the book and material expenses. Light snacks will be provided courtesy of Thrivent. Please RSVP to the church office at 303-841-4660.

God's Promise To You This Month

He promises to never leave us!!

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of the, for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you."

Deuteronomy 31:16