

Monthly Newsletter of Immanuel Lutheran School

## **Principal Call Update**

We are excited to share that the Lord has led Dr. Tanya Calendo to accept the Divine Call to serve as Immanuel's next principal for the 2024-2025 school year. The Lord provides! We are thankful for the countless hours of work put in by our Call Committee, led by Marcia Mathes, Chair of the Board of the Christian School, and Pastor Warren. To read more about the Call process and how Immanuel is blessed to welcome Dr. Calendo, scan or click on the link to read Pastor Warren's letter in the latest issue of The Messenger.





## WALCAMP AND MISSION TRIP

Later this month, our Grade 6 students will spend the week at Walcamp in Kingston, Illinois, for a week of Christ-centered outdoor education. Additionally, our Grades 7-8 students will travel to West Virginia to spend the week helping the community through a variety of service projects. Please pray for the safety of our students in their travels and pray that their experiences may strengthen their faith and prepare them to love and serve others throughout their lives. God's blessings, middle-school students!

## **BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

Congratulations to our Bobcat Basketball teams that competed at the state and national tournaments in March. The girls took second place at state and were consolation champions at nationals. The boys took second place at state and fifth place at nationals. Great job, Bobcats! We are proud of you!





# **APRIL 2024**

## **K-8 UPCOMING EVENTS**

April 15 ~ All-School PTL Meeting @7:00pm April 17 ~ Dining for Dollars at McDonald's @4:00pm **April 18** ~ Fun Whizz Assembly April 18 ~ Community Meal @5:00pm April 21-26 ~ Grades 7-8 West Virginia Mission Trip April 22-26 ~ Grade 6 Walcamp Trip April 25 ~ 5th Grade Mother/Daughter Event April 27 ~ ILSEF Bingo Night @6:15pm **April 29-May 3** ~ Teacher Appreciation Week May 2 ~ Curriculum Fair Open House @6:00pm May 2 ~ Music Revue @7:10pm May 3 ~ STEAM Academy Assembly May 7 ~ Grade 5 Fire Station Field Trip May 7 ~ National Junior Honor Society Induction @6:30pm May 10 ~ Grade 8 Banguet @5:00pm May 16 ~ Community Meal @5:00pm May 16-17 ~ Dance Recitals @6:30pm May 18-19 ~ LSA State Track Meet May 21 ~ Kindergarten Closing Program @6:30pm May 22 ~ Field Day May 24 ~ Awards Assembly @9:45am May 24 ~ School Ends @11:00am (No PM Bus) May 24 ~ Grade 8 Graduation @7:00pm June 17-21 ~ Vacation Bible School June 20 ~ Community Meal @5:00pm June 24-28 ~ Shining Stars Baseball/Softball Camp



## EARLY CHILDHOOD UPCOMING EVENTS

**April 10-11** ~ EC Grandparent's Day **April 17** ~ Dining for Dollars at McDonald's @4:00pm April 18 ~ Community Meal @5:00pm April 26 ~ EC Family Gym Night @6:00pm April 27 ~ ILSEF Bingo Night @6:15pm April 29-May 3 ~ Teacher Appreciation Week May 2 ~ Curriculum Fair Open House @6pm May 13-14 ~ Early Childhood Closing Programs May 16 ~ Community Meal @5:00pm May 22 ~ Last Day M/W/F Preschool & M/W/F Full Day & PreK May 23 ~Last Day T/Th Preschool and FD Preschool & Young 5's June 17-21 ~ Vacation Bible School June 20 ~ Community Meal @5:00pm



## HAVE NEWS TO SHARE IN THE NEWSLETTER?

Please email submissions to mwalsh@ilcp.org. Submissions are subject to approval by the administrative team prior to publication.

## **CONNECT WITH US**





@ilspalatine @immanuelpalatine

## **NEW!** Find helpful links and resources at linktr.ee/ILSresources

## LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR SCHOOL



Visit ilcpschool.org or call 847-359-1936. Share the benefits of Christian education.

Refer your friends, neighbors--anyone! Interested families should visit our website or give us a call to schedule a tour or shadow day.



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#### **CHAPEL OFFERING**

Weekly chapel offerings for the month of April will support Walcamp. Walcamp is located in Kingston, Illinois, and offers faith-based outdoor education for youth, families, and groups. Their mission is to provide outdoor ministry where Creation is Explored, Christ is Exalted, and Christians are Equipped to Glorify God. Immanuel's Grade 6 students will travel to Walcamp this month. Please be generous in supporting Walcamp with your chapel offerings.



## **TUITION AND PAYMENT REMINDERS**

Need a copy of your tuition and fees statement for your tax return? Follow these easy steps to get started.

- Go to <u>www.myprocare.com</u>
- Enter your email
- You will receive a confirmation email with a confirmation #
- Enter confirmation number on myprocare screen
- Create a password
- Redirect to login
- · Login with your email and password

• Both detailed and summarized statements are available If you have any questions, please contact Patti Walsh at pwalsh@ilcp.org.

## **ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN FOR 2024-2025**

Enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year is now open! An email was sent home on February 2 with details and instructions on how to register. Tuition rates are available in the email and on our school website, but please note that tuition rates have not changed from the 2023-2024 school year.

Parent surveys indicate that the #1 way families hear about our school is through word-of-mouth promotion. We encourage you to share about the blessings of Immanuel's Christian Education! If you know of a family that is seeking a Christ-centered education for their child(ren), new families can schedule a tour on our website or by calling our school office. Additionally, the school office is always available to answer guestions about our school and/or enrollment.



### **TUITION CREDIT WITH RAISERIGHT**

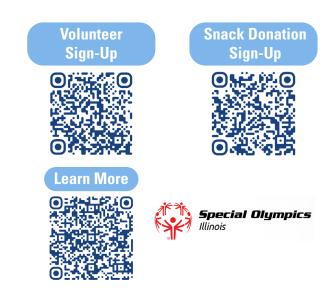
Earn tuition credit by purchasing gift cards on the RaiseRight website or app! If you are interested in enrolling, please send an email to Liz Mraz at mrsmraz007@gmail.com and an invitation will be sent to you to set up your family's online RaiseRight account. If you are already enrolled in the program, please plan to submit your orders on the 2nd Monday of every month by 9:00am (except for Mondays when there is no school. Then the order will need to be submitted by Tuesday at 9:00am). Thank you in advance for supporting our school!

**REMINDER:** Orders through the end of the school year will be input on April 8th, April 22nd (for Teacher Appreciation Week), and May 6th. Please plan accordingly.



## **SPECIAL OLYMPICS - APRIL 14**

Immanuel is again sponsoring the Hospitality Tent at the Special Olympic Spring Games to provide fun and companionship during and in between the athletes' events! The event will be held on Sunday, April 14, at Prospect High School. 35-45 adults and students are needed to work the Hospitality Tent to help greet our guests, and also help prepare and serve healthy snacks during one of three shifts between 7:30pm and 1:30pm. Additionally, healthy snacks and beverages are needed for the athletes, coaches, and their families. Granola bars, cucumbers oranges, apples, carrots, peppers, celery, cauliflower, and broccoli are needed. Snacks may be brought to Immanuel during the week of April 8-12 and placed in the bin in the main lobby. Please scan or click on the QR codes to learn more or to sign up.





### **ILSEF BINGO NIGHT--DONATIONS NEEDED**

The ILS Education Foundation is looking for inexpensive prizes to give away at Bingo Night on May 20. We especially need items for boys/men. Examples include \$5 gift cards, books, balls, toys, trinkets, etc. We are also looking for more valuable items that would be great in an auction basket: wine, gift certificates, restaurant gift cards, sports items, decorative items, etc. Please bring them to the school office marked ILSEF. Thank you!

## EARLY CHILDHOOD TRAVELS TO HAWAII

The pre-kindergarteners have been using their imaginations on a pretend trip to Hawaii. They learned about flying in airplanes and the geography of Hawaii. They pretended to go to the beach that was set up in their classroom. They made erupting volcanoes and learned how to surf on surfboards that they made. The children went on a whale watch and got to go inside a giant whale. They learned how Jonah felt when he was in the whale. They learned how to hula dance from an authentic hula dancer. They learned a lot and had fun while doing it! Are you interested in enrolling your child in Immanuel's Early Childhood program? Contact Marlene Tres at 847-660-4163.



# OPEN HOUSE AND CURRICULUM FAIR

## **Early Childhood through Grade 8**

See Immanuel students in action! View student projects, meet our staff, and tour our campus.

## THURSDAY, MAY 2 | 6 PM



No pre-registration required. Questions? Contact our school office at 847-359-1936 or email immanuel@ilcp.org.

#### **MUSIC REVUE - MAY 2**

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The Music Revue for Grades 1-8, which was initially scheduled for April 12, will be held on Thursday, May 2, at 7:10pm, after the Curriculum Fair. The performance will be held in place of the Curriculum Fair concert. All are welcome to attend!

## DANCE RECITALS - MAY 16 & 17

Save the date--the Immanuel Dance Ensemble will present their annual recital on Thursday, May 16, and Friday, May 17, at 6:30pm in the gym. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend! Watch a variety of solos, duets, and group performances from our dancers in Grades K-8. Questions? Contact Maggie Walsh at mwalsh@ilcp.org.

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# EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY GYM NIGHT

### FRIDAY, APRIL 26, FROM 6-7PM

Enjoy an active evening in our gym including balloon tennis, basketball, scooters, the parachute, obstacle course, the Giant Bubble, and the outdoor playground.

Invite a friend or two! No RSVP required.

For children ages 6 or younger, siblings, and parent or adult. Call Marlene Tres at 847-660-4163.

## Vacation Bible School 2024

## June 17-June 21 from 9am-2pm

For children entering Pre-K through 5th Grade

Each day will include Bible Study, Games, Crafts, Snacks, and more! Students entering 4th and 5th Grade in the fall will participate in service projects around Immanuel and the surrounding community. Students will dive deeper in their faith through fun and interactive experiences!

**\$50 per student** includes a t-shirt, Bible Buddies, activities for the week, and more!

## volunteers needed!

Students entering 6th grade through adults are invited to help make this week a success!

> We have a variety of roles to fill including group leaders, station helpers, and more!

Sign up to help on our website or contact Pastor Donald at pastordonald@ilcp.org.





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## **ALUMNI NEWS**

Congratulations to Meghan (Woell) Barrett, daughter of Early Childhood Teacher, Steff Woell! Meghan was the recipient of the First Year Teacher of the Year award for the Aiken County, South Carolina, public school district. She was chosen as the winner over more than 230 first-year teachers in the district. Meghan graduated from ILS in 2013, Palatine High School in 2017, and Michigan State University in 2022. She lives in Georgia and started serving as a band teacher at North Augusta Middle School in July of 2023.

"The winner of our First Year Teacher of the Year award is described as with unwavering focus on individual needs of each student, employing diverse teaching strategies to accommodate different learning styles and fostering a positive and inclusive atmosphere in the classroom," said Christen Sikes, the district's Educator Effectiveness Coordinator, before announcing Meghan as the 2024-2025 winner.



Congratulations, Meghan! We are proud of you!

#### **ILS CAR MAGNETS**

Share the joy of Immanuel's Christian education wherever you go! Immanuel is selling car magnets for \$2 each (while supplies last). To order a magnet, please fill out the form by scanning or clicking on the QR code.



## PRINCE OF PEACE COMMUNITY ART SHOW

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church will host their 4th annual multigenerational community art show and juried competition this spring. In this unique visual arts display, they are seeking two-dimensional and three-dimensional submissions from second-grade children through adults who live in the northwest suburbs of Chicago. The theme for the show is "Livin' On a Prayer." Artists are invited to visualize their prayers and to practice their art as an act of meditation and contemplation. Submission deadline is April 17. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top 2D and 3D entry in each age category. For more information, visit pop.church/artshow.



# Oiscovery Camp 2024



## Olympics: Let the games begin!

Week 1 (June 5-7): Gymnastics Field Trip: The Zone

Week 2 (June 10-14): Basketball Field Trip: Chicago Dogs (3rd- 8th) Field Trip: Kid's Empire (preK - 2nd)

Week 3 (June 17-21): Scuba Diving into Friendship with God (VBS) Field Trip: Animal Show

Week 4 (June 24 - June 28): Golf Field Trip: Morton Arboretum

Week 5 (July 1 - July 3): Cycling \*NO CAMP July 4th & 5th\* Field Trip: Inside Out 2 Week 6 (July 8 - July 12): Surfing Field Trip: Enchanted Castle Week 7 (July 15-19): Volleyball Field Trip: The Amazing Gary Magic Show

Week 8 (July 22-26): Football Field Trip: Water Works

Week 9 (July 29 - August 2): Archery Field Trip: Christies Dairy Delights (PreK- 2nd) Field Trip: Feed My Starving Children (3rd - 8th)

Week 10 (August 5 - August 7): Track and Field Field Trip: Foam Party

\*All field trips are subject to change

## Immanuel Lutheran Church and School 200 N. Plum Grove Rd. Palatine, IL 60067

Email: discoverycamp@ilcp.org

A virtual information session will be held on Thursday, April 18 at 7pm. Check the camp website for the link or email the Director.

## Join us at the Olympics!

"Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever." 1 Corinthians 9:25, NIV



Scan or click here to learn more and register

Visit ilcpschool.org/summercamp/



Join us for a week of fun at Shining Stars Baseball & Softball Camp! June 24 – 28, 2024 9am – 12 noon each day Hamilton Park in Palatine

Boys & Girls ages 5 to 10

No cost. It's FREE!

Sign up at: ImmanuelPalatine.org/ ShiningStars

(847) 359-1549







## All are invited to the table for a free community meal. To-go meals are also available!

- April 18

Thursday Evenings 5:00-6:30pm

- May 16 - June 20
- July 18

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No pre-registration required! To learn more and to view menus, visit <u>thecommunitymeal.org</u>.

## SUNDAY MORNING EXPERIENCE (S.M.E) TEACHERS NEEDED!

Sunday Morning Experience (S.M.E) welcomes children age 5 through Grade 5 during 10:30am Sunday morning worship to learn about Jesus and the love He has for them. Each week consists of a Bible story, craft project, a memory verse and more. S.M.E. is in search of adults of all ages who enjoy teaching the Word of God to children and would be willing to become part of our teacher rotation. This would not be an "every Sunday" commitment. You can pick the Sundays that would work best for you. We currently have a highschool student teaching on Sundays, and an adult is also required to be there. If you do not want to teach but enjoy working with children, join our team and be the adult in the classroom. Please contact Pastor Donald at pastordonald@ ilcp.org or Denise Neilson at dneilson214@gmail.com with any questions.



LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH Visit immanuelpalatine.org or call 847-359-1549. JOIN US FOR WORSHIP Saturdays @ 5:00pm - Blended Worship Sundays @ 8:00am - Traditional Worship Sundays @ 10:30am - Contemporary Worship

> \*Adult Bible Study offered at 9:30am on Sundays \*Sunday Morning Experience (S.M.E.) for children offered during 10:30am worship

## PARENT TEACHER LEAGUE (PTL) NEWS APRIL 2024

#### **DINING FOR DOLLARS**

On Wednesday, April 17, the PTL will have another Dining for Dollars through McTeacher Night! Come and see our teachers helping at the cash register, drive-thru window, and more! Please join us at McDonald's in Palatine from 4:00-7:00pm at 1576 N. Rand Road, Palatine, IL 60074.

#### SAVE THE DATE: ALL-SCHOOL PTL MEETING

On Monday, April 15, we will hold the second of our two annual all-school meetings, where all parents and teachers are welcome to attend. Please plan to join us in Fellowship Hall at 7:00pm.

#### **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

Mark your calendars! We will celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week from Monday, April 29, through Friday, May 3. Additional information will be sent via e-blast as the week gets closer.

#### **HEBREWS CAFE**

The next HeBrews Cafe hosted by the PTL will be on Sunday, May 5. As the PTL (Parent Teacher League) is made up of all teachers and parents of Immanuel Lutheran School, we invite anyone who is willing to donate a food item and/or their time setting up, serving, and/or cleaning up. If you're interested in helping, please sign up by scanning or clicking on the QR code or contact Crystal Phillips at cjphillips84@gmail.com.

#### YEARBOOK PHOTOS

Did you take photos at a school event? Please share with us for the yearbook! You can email them to yearbook@ilcp.org or upload them directly on TreeRing after logging in.



#### There's an app for that!

Apple App Store

Google Play Store

#### QUESTIONS?

If you ever have questions or are looking to help the PTL, please reach out to any of us and we can point you in the right direction.

Sincerely Serving, PTL Board

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## **DROP-OFF AND PICKUP REMINDERS**

#### DO

• **Be on time (or early!)**. Students should arrive between 7:15-7:30am and be picked up at 2:10pm.

• Pull completely forward to the front of the car line before directing your students to exit the vehicle.

• **STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE** until directed to move forward and are dismissed. Once you are dismissed, you may exit onto Bothwell, turning right, as the street is one way between Wood and Colfax.

• **Pay attention** to school buses in the parking lot. It is unsafe and illegal to drive around a bus when the stop signs are extended.

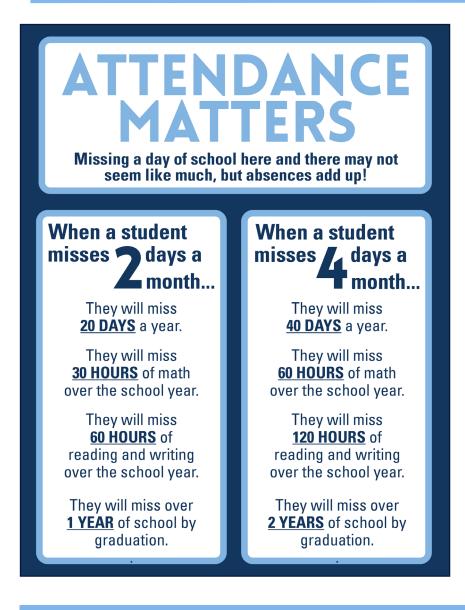
#### **DON'T**

• Use this time for a quick conference with a teacher. If you need to talk with a teacher, make an appointment that is convenient for both of you. The teachers need to focus on ensuring that students are arriving and being dismissed safely. A scheduled appointment makes it possible to address parent concerns without distraction.

• Exit your vehicle to talk/socialize with another parent once in the car line. **Drivers should remain in the vehicle** to ensure a smooth drop-off/pickup. We have seen too many children running through moving car lines to reach a parked/ unattended vehicle. If parents need to socialize, please do so in the annex parking lot AFTER car line dismissal.

• Leave the parking lot until your car line has been dismissed.

#### Thank you for your cooperation and support in protecting everyone here at Immanuel.



## K-8 SCHOOL HOURS, DROP-OFF, PICKUP AND BUS

K-8 school hours: 7:40am-2:10pm Student drop-off: 7:15am-7:30am Office hours: 7:30am-3:30pm Office Phone: 847-359-1936

School starts promptly at 7:40am, and students should <u>be in their seats</u> at that time. Middle School and bus riders will enter at the main entrance (Door 1), and K-5 will enter by the gym (Door 12).

## HEALTH ISSUES: COVID PROTOCOLS

Due to the recent rise of COVID-19 illnesses in our area, we wanted to remind everyone of the current CDC recommendations.

If your student tests positive for COVID-19, a 5-day quarantine begins. Day 0 of the quarantine is the day that symptoms began.

Other family members should be monitored for symptoms and tested as appropriate.

The student can return to school after the 5-day quarantine period as long as he/she is symptom-free and medicine-free for 24 hours. A mask is optional after the 5-day period.

Homework can be requested via email to the homeroom teacher.