

The Shepherd Connection

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, School, & Child Care

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Week of January 8, 2018

MISSION STATEMENT

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran School and Child Care is a community of parents, students, and staff working together to foster Christ-like qualities in all we pursue: spiritual growth, academic excellence, social, emotional, and physical development.

PRINCIPAL GARY'S NOTES

Happy 2018 to our Shepherd families! Hope your holidays were filled with wonderful family time. Thank you for the overwhelming number of school families who attended Christmas worship services at Shepherd on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day! What a better way to celebrate Jesus birthday than with our Shepherd family! As we move to a new calendar year, we are ready to refuel our SHLS Positive Energy Bus and roll into 2018 with the following positive energy updates for our kids.

We welcome 10 new students to the Shepherd family this week! So glad you are here!

The school cafeteria is in the final stages of a fresh paint job. Watch for a few new looks in the cafeteria.

A new Shepherd logo sign has been hung outside the school gym. This was posted on Facebook and received over 2500 views. It's time to spread the word about Shepherd to the community. You can help by sharing our posts and encouraging others to schedule a tour.

Student classroom chairs will begin to be replaced with new seating in January for K-8. Grade 8 and Infants-Prekinder have had chairs/furniture replaced in the last 18 months. Thank you to all families who have contributed to Ram Road to Success Auction to make this purchase possible.

A Positive Energy Parent Team has been assembled to team with administration in connecting with families, spreading the word about Shepherd, and sharing parent ideas as we continue to energize, review, enhance and share the mission of Shepherd on and off campus.

Teachers are busy working with curriculum updates and enhancements in all grade levels as we review and research best practices and current educational curriculum trends. Grade level team leaders each hold their Master's Degree in an area which contributes to this review. Judy Friesenhahn leads our curriculum review with over 35 years of teaching experience and a Master's Degree in Educational Reading and Instruction.

Shepherd@50 building plans are in full swing. We need you to spread the word! Join Pastor Chris and me on Wednesday, January 10 at 5:30 in the worship center for a look at building renderings, floor plans, and long range plans of what's coming for your kid's future education at SHLS. You don't want to miss this short 45 minute presentation and update session. Childcare provided for your kids.

Congratulations to Anaya Zachery for serving as a student ambassador on the Mayors Fitness Council, and receiving a seed funding grant for Shepherd of the Hills for their service project: Organic Garden Project. Anaya Zachery and Paige Gonzales worked with Assistant Principal Donna Rupp as their mentor, to develop, plan and present their project to the Mayors Fitness Council which awarded the team \$497 from the City of San Antonio and Baptist Health Foundation. The student ambassadors will be presented with a check on Saturday, January 6th at the Municipal Plaza Building, and will attend an awards ceremony representing Shepherd of the Hills in May where all student ambassadors and campus mentors will receive awards and be recognized for their service projects!

Everything for Everyone Sale! Proceeds benefit 8th grade trip to Washington, DC! Sale Date: Saturday, January 13, 2018, 8:00-2:00. Vendors keep 70% of sale with 30% donated to 8th grade class trip. If you would like to donate your items to school, please send to the school office. If you would like to be a vendor, please contact Candice Dominguez at cdominguez@shlutheran.org.

School and Child Care closed on Monday, January 15 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Mark your calendars for our annual LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK celebrations! Special events include the following:
Sunday, January 21--Fine Arts and SALSA Music Festival 4:00 at Lutheran High
Tuesday, January 23--Sneak-a-Peek Open House/Shepherd at 50 building plan reveal
Wednesday, January 24--Special Persons Day/Awards Assembly

January 23rd 'Sneak a Peek' Open House 5:00-6:30 PM New and Current families are invited to an open house for the 2018-2019 school year! PreK through 8th grade teachers will have their classrooms open to visit and will be available to answer questions about what you can expect for your students next year. Free dinner, door prizes and discounts for new enrolling families and referrals from current families! Help us spread the word about this upcoming event!

Blessed New Year! Energize your days with Christ! Yes! Yes! Yes!
Sue Gary, Principal

Jan. 6: Worship Service 6 p.m.
Jan. 7: Worship Service 8 & 10:45 a.m.
Jan. 10: School Chapel 8:15 a.m.
Jan. 10: Shepherd @50 Meeting 5:30 p.m.
Jan. 11: Little Lambs Chapel 8:15 a.m.
Jan. 13: Everything for Everyone Sale

CHILD CARE NEWS

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If you have any questions feel free to stop by, my door is ALWAYS open! I can also be reached by email at JGuerrero@shlutheran.org or call my office at (210)614-3741 ext. 219.

Chapel: Remember Little Lamb's Chapel is every Thursday at 8:15. Everyone is more that welcome to join or check us out on Facebook Live!

Cold Weather: Please make sure all jackets are labeled with your child's name.

CLOSED: School & Child Care will be closed on January 15th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Late Pick-Ups & Fees: If you are running late please give us a call. After School late fees have begun. Fees will be turned in to Kay Olson and added to your TADS account.

NEXT WEEK'S LESSON PLANS FOR:

Toddlers-Twos

REVIEW WEEK

Threes

Theme: Winter Changes

Letter: Nn Number: 9 Shape: Rectangle Color: Gray & Silver

Jesus Time Theme: Boy Jesus Studies in the Temple

Bible Verse: 'LORD, I love... Your house.' Psalm 26:8

RAM CAFÉ MENU FOR JANUARY 8-12, 2018

Tony Zavala, Food Service Manager, 614-3741 x220, tzavala@shlutheran.org

MON. JAN. 8

Eggs and Bacon
French Bread Pizza
Homemade pizza sauce
and mozzarella cheese on
french bread
Seasoned Green Beans
Fresh Fruit & Salad

TUES. JAN 9

Pancakes
Oven Fried Chicken
Buttermilk marinated,
roasted with crispy crust
Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Fresh Fruit & Salad
Buttered Roll

WED. JAN. 10

Breakfast Tacos
Crispy Beef Tacos
Seasoned beef in crispy
taco shell with cheese
Pinto Beans
Fresh Fruit & Salad

THURS. JAN. 11

Biscuit Sandwich
Ziti w/Italian Sausage
Pasta baked with mari-
nara and italian sausage
Fresh Vegetable Medley
Fresh Fruit & Salad

FRI. JAN. 12

Chef's Choice
Old Fashioned Ham-
burgers
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ers with all the trimmings
Crispy Tater Tots
Fresh Fruit & Salad
Churros
Tryday: Kimchi

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Saturday, Contemporary Service 6 p.m. | Sunday, Traditional Services 8 & 10:45 a.m. | Sunday School 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Shepherd U Course begins Jan. 14, 9:30-10:30 a.m. in school room #206-God's Word is a Treasure: My First Bible Facilitator: Pastor Doug Bielefeldt

This is a group for 2nd graders and their parents. However, if you have a 3rd or 4th grader who didn't attend in the past, you are welcome to join this group. Through a period of three weeks, parents and their children will take a tour of the Bible. The three weeks (Jan. 14, 21, 28,) culminate with the parents presenting a Bible to their children.

Comfort food and fellowship coming Jan. 20 at 4:45 p.m. in the gym for our Saturday Service Supper. Bring your whole family for Saturday Service supper with your church family. On the menu: soup and salad. There is no charge for dinner, but there will be a basket available for freewill donations. Following supper, we'll head over to the church for our 6 p.m. service. For meal planning, please RSVP at 210-614-3742 with the number attending.