

October 2025

From the Principal.....

Fall is in full swing, and October brings with it a beautiful reminder of God's creation. The changing colors, the crisp air, and even the crunch of leaves underfoot all seem to "make a joyful noise" to the Lord. Our school theme this year, "Let's Make a Joyful Noise" (Psalm 98:4), fits perfectly with the season.

By now, the routines of the school year have settled in, and it is a joy to see students learning, growing, and making music together...whether that's in the classroom, on the playground, at Camp LuWiSoMo, or in chapel. Every day brings opportunities to see their joyful "noise" to the Lord lived out in both big and small ways.

In the children's book, <u>The Very Last Leaf</u> by Stef Wade, a leaf is nervous about letting go when its turn comes. Change feels scary, but in the end the leaf learns to trust. That story remains us of our own walk with Jesus – when we face change or challenges, we can still sing with joy, knowing He is in control.

Jesus tells us in John 14:27, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you." What a comfort it is to know that no matter what season we are in, His peace allows us to live joyfully and confidently. May this October be a month where your family sees His blessings, trusts His promises, and joins us in making a joyful noise to the Lord!

Mrs. Seehafer



Happy Birthday to

October 11 Callie Gonzalez

Bristol Westimayer

October 26 Kadin Wippermann

Upcoming events

October 1	Board of Education
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5:30 p.m.

October 4 GFL Fundraiser

8-12

October 7 STEM Club

October 10 Grandparents' Day

October 14 Art Club

October 18 Harvest Fest

10:30-12:30

October 21 God's Kids Club

PreK-2nd grades Kids For Christ

3rd-6th grades

October 22 Picture Day

October 31 End of 1st Quarter

Early Release

12:10 p.m.



Time to do some de-cluttering before Winter?

Do you want to de-clutter before the snow arrives? Think about purging some items that are taking up space and giving them a home in our science classroom at St. Stephen. There are many items that we can put to good use. As everyone is aware the cost of everyday items has increased. This affects the science classroom greatly, as many items are not reusable. If you have any of the following laying around consider gifting them to us. We are looking for them in usable condition! We will also take items not listed that you feel we could use. Otherwise if you are at the dollar store or thrift shop and want to pick up one of the items on the list, that would be awesome.

If you are inclined to give us some items, bring them to the office marked for middle school science or Mr. Brauer. Please include your name and address so that I can send you a personal thank you from our middle school students. Blessings to you all for your consideration.

Paper Towel Baggies (any size) **Usable Hand Tools**

Hardware (nails, screws, nuts, etc)

String **Balloons** Sugar Flour

Salt

Plaster of Paris Marbles **Graph Paper Pipe Cleaners Popsicle Sticks Unused straws**

Paper Cups

Paper Plates Clean Usable Fish Tanks

Toothpicks

Matches

Hydrogen Peroxide Rock or Sea Shell Collections Clothes Pins Wire Hangers

Working Desk Lamps

Small Engines (no gas or oil in them)

Buttons Zippers Poker Chips

Game Pieces (checkers, chess, etc)

Thread and Needles Measuring Cups **Measuring Spoons Paint Stirrers Egg Cartons Aluminum Pans**

Saran Wrap, Aluminum Foil

Microscope Slides

Any Item Deemed Usable for Science

Taxidermy Candles

Walmart, Target, or Dollar Tree Gift Cards

Modeling Clay **Envelopes**

***Any items that are donated that we feel we cannot use, we will either donate them to a thrift store or sell them at

Thanks in Advance and God Bless,

the St. Stephen Rummage Sale.

Mr. Brauer

Mission Statement

The mission of St. Stephen Lutheran School is to prepare our students to be disciples of Christ through academic excellence with a firm foundation in God's Word.

Vision Statement