



November 16, 2007

Dear Immanuel families:

*Wishing Everyone A
Blessed Thanksgiving!!*



PICTURE RETAKES -- Tuesday, December 4 at 8:00 a.m. If you would like to have your child's picture retaken, you must return your first set of pictures.

TUITION (K-8) BILLING STATEMENT UPDATE – Beginning in November, tuition statements will be mailed home only to families who have still not paid the current month's tuition. Monthly tuition charges are posted on Fast Direct the first school day of each month. Payments are posted on Tuesday afternoons. If the payment is not received by the 15th of the month, a statement will be printed and mailed from the office to remind the parents that the payment is now past due. Families who are current on their tuition will not receive a paper statement in the mail. Tuition, lunch, registration, and extended care payment information is always available on Fast Direct. If you have any questions, please contact Julie in the school office 815-459-1444.

MEIJER COMMUNITY REWARDS -- Immanuel Lutheran School participates in the Meijer Community Rewards program. Through this program, Immanuel Lutheran School receives cash rewards from purchases. In order to have your purchase help us, you simply have to join Meijer Community Rewards (**our organization code is 392814**). It's free and can be done on-line at Meijer.com/rewards or by mailing in the application (applications are going home today). Enrolled members then pay for their Meijer purchases with cash or a PIN-debit card and their Meijer 1 Card or with their linked Meijer Credit Card. ***In addition, from now until December 31, 2007, Meijer is offering double rewards for their program!!*** Join today!! The sooner you join, the sooner we will begin receiving rewards!!

LIBRARY CORNER – Adopt-A-Book is here!! Please stop by and select a book or two for the library. The students anxiously await new readers!! Also, I'm happy to say that several of our students wrote book reviews and were part of a "book talk" at the public library this week. These students never cease to impress me with their enthusiasm. Good work!! Ask your student about what they are reading?? They love to tell about it!!

ILS SPIRITWEAR – Order your spiritwear by November 30 to have it back in time for the holidays! I'm hoping to have them back in time for "Pack the Gym" night December 14th. You can use the form on the back of *Panther Prints* or get a form from the office. Any questions, please contact Laura Meinhardt at 847-516-9481.

IMCL COOKBOOKS -- Don't miss out - the cookbooks are going fast! Pick up cookbooks for grandmas, aunts, friends, anyone on your Christmas list. Don't forget a copy for your kids as a keepsake from their school days at ILS. The preorder price of \$15.00 ends on December 9. Cookbooks after that date will be \$20.00 The company has given us a ship date of December 12 so they should arrive just in time for Christmas! There are several ways to order: Through a 7th/8th grade student, in the school office, on the IMCL website, Mid-Pointe or after church services on November 17/18, and December 1/2 and December 8/9. Sample some of the recipes at the fellowship coffees following the December 1st 6:00 pm service and the December 9 11:00 am service. Thank you for supporting the 7th/8th grade students!

MANNA!! We also have some inventory available in the school office for "cash and carry". We will be offering **two order dates in December**. The Manna dates for December are as follows:

Orders Due

Monday, December 3

Monday, December 10

Pick Up

Friday, December 7

Friday, December 14

If you have any questions, please contact Joni Haldeman (815-459-4275).

ILS ALUMNI SEARCH -- ILS is working on a project to find Alumni of our school. We have class lists from many graduating classes of the past. We are locating Alumni of ILS to invite them to events, ask for their support, and reconnect them to our school. Additional help is needed to find the alumni. If you would like to help search the internet or if you have information regarding past students, contact Sharon Tieman.

FAMILY FALL CLEAN-UP! Clean-up of the McHenry Avenue campus starts next Saturday, November 17 at 9:00 a.m. Please bring rakes, shovels, gloves, a couple trashbags, leaf blowers/extension cords, a few paper lawn/leaf bags, and lunch money. We will start on campus, break for lunch, and resume at the Koenig's house. With Kevin in treatment for cancer, the Koenig's are short a few leaf rakers this Fall--thankfully, as One Body, we have plenty! Join your brothers and sisters in Christ for a fun day--"many hands make light work."

YEARBOOK AND SCRAPBOOK PICTURES – We are looking for pictures to use for the school scrapbook and the 2007-2008 yearbook. If you have any photos that we could use, please send them into the school office. We will accept actual photos or pictures on a CD. We could use photos from anything related to school, such as the following: chapel, field trips, sporting events, class parties, concerts, first day of school, special events, etc. Thank you for your help!! Tarna Eskoff

CENTER FOR THE GIFTED has provided us with brochures for their upcoming winter programs. If you are interested in a brochure, please contact the school office. You can also obtain information on their website at www.centerforgifted.org.

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM is Immanuel's annual Christmas gift to the Crystal Lake and the surrounding community, and while most of us see "Journey" as a simple re-enactment of the event surrounding the birth of Jesus Christ, this event is a huge undertaking. Hundreds of man-hours will be needed to repair costumes, repair the sets, publicity, setting up, taking down, and many more hours will be needed the nights of the event: **Saturday, December 8 (7:00 - 9:00 p.m.) and Sunday, December 9 (6:00 - 8:00 p.m.)**

Volunteers are needed in the following areas: publicity, entertainment (singers, bell ringers, readers & more) setting up and taking down sets, animal transportation, housing and feeding; refreshments and cast supper, arranging for permits and traffic assistance from the city, costume and prop managers, actors to play the non-speaking roles, and lighting and sound supervisors. For those who have already stepped forward and said "here I am", Thank you! For those still to come -- Welcome!

Setup will be on Friday, November 23 at 9:00 a.m. All sets, except the stable, will be taken down the week after the production; the stable will be removed after the holidays.

Journey Setup Refreshment Help Needed!! As we setup for Journey to Bethlehem on November 23rd, we need to make sure that our volunteers are fed and warm! Can you help??? We need help in several areas: 1) Refreshment lead (to make sure everything runs smoothly and is put away when done), 2) donations of donuts, crockpots of soups and stews, etc., 3) several people to help serve and clean up. If you can donate your time or items, please email Debra Hay at: dhay@speakeasy.net. Thank you!!!!

For more information on Journey or any of the opportunities or to volunteer, contact coordinator Ginny Illich at 815-459-1441 or gillich@imcl.us.

MARKET DAY – Market Day In the spirit of thanksgiving, I would like to extend my gratitude to all our customers and volunteers who help make Market Day the success that it is. Our profit so far

this school year is \$1,277.28. This is \$22.87 more than the same 3 months last school year. We are definitely moving forward. I'm also ecstatic to see so many volunteers on pickup day. Many hands make the work go quicker. Thank you for supporting Market Day at Immanuel Lutheran. Mary Matthei, Chairperson

FANNIE MAY – Mark your calendars – order forms and money are due back to school on **Monday, November 26** to ensure delivery before Christmas. ***Late orders cannot be accepted.*** Thanks!!

"The Altar & The Door Tour" featuring Casting Crowns with Leeland & John Waller

NIU Convocation Center
1525 West Lincoln Highway
DeKalb, IL 60115

Sunday, December 2nd
7:00 pm: Show \$20

Please let Cindy Ibbotson (concerts@imcl.us) know if you are interested by
Tuesday 11/20/07

You must pay to reserve a seat.

JAMZ-Jesus and Me Zone

Pre-school and Kindergarten Christmas program--Sunday December 9th during the 11:00 service. Look for information being sent home with your child from JAMZ this Sunday. JAMZ will also meet at 9:30 that morning.

Grades 1-6 Christmas program--Sunday December 16th at 3:00 pm. Please have your children meet in the lower level by 2:40 p.m. Regular JAMZ classes that morning at 9:30.

SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT!! Immanuel Crystal Lake Panther decals are in the office! They are \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00. You can use them on your car window or stick them on just about anything! Show your ***Panther Pride*** all over town!!

DANCING IN FUNKYTOWN -- All 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students are invited to boogie the night away on **Friday, November 30th from 7 – 10 PM** at a STUCO sponsored dance. The theme is Dancing in Funkytown and everyone who comes to the dance is encouraged to dress in school appropriate 70's garb. The person with the best outfit will win a prize. Admission is a 2-liter drink and a snack to share. There will be stellar music, groovy dances, and a night of fun. Don't miss it!

ILC Youth Activities (Grades 6 – 8)

NO CONFIRMATION OR YOUTH NIGHT ACTIVITIES ON NOVEMBER 25, 2007.

GIFT WRAP TIME IS HERE! There are only a couple of spots left on the gift wrapping sign up sheet. If you are interested, please call Ginny today!!

CONFIRMATION: If you have a student in confirmation and have not paid your \$30 fee for this year, please do so this week. It is now past due. Thanks!

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE – Join us for the Festival of Lights Parade through downtown Crystal Lake on November 23rd starting at 7:00 p.m. Immanuel will have a float with the Journey to Bethlehem characters in it.

Immanuel Lutheran Church Worship Services:

Saturday	6:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 & 11:00 a.m.
JAMZ, Confirmation & Mid-Pointe	9:30 a.m.

Lunch items offered daily are:

Hot Dog on Bun	Chicken Patty Sandwich
Salad Entrée	Soup w/Roll
Pepperoni Pizza	Cheeseburger

The November menu going home today indicates that the Deli Sandwich is an item to be offered daily. This is NOT correct. The Soup with Roll is offered daily in its place.

SCHEDULE AND LUNCH:

BASKETBALL TEAMS – PLEASE CHECK WITH YOUR COACHES REGARDING SCHEDULED PRACTICES DURING THANKSGIVING BREAK!!

Monday 11/19	NO SCHOOL 5:15 – 6:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Practice
Tuesday 11/20	NO SCHOOL 5:15 – 6:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Practice
Wednesday 11/21	NO SCHOOL 7:00 p.m. Worship
Thursday 11/22	THANKSGIVING DAY NO SCHOOL 10:00 a.m. Worship
Friday 11/23	NO SCHOOL
Monday 11/26	Soft Shell Taco, Spanish Rice, Corn, Fruit Mix, Milk 2:30 – 3:45 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Practice 4:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Girls Basketball Game at Zion, Marengo 5:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Zion, Marengo
Tuesday 11/27	Oven Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Fruit Mix, Milk 2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Kids of the Kingdom 5:00 p.m. Jr. Varsity Girls Basketball Game at Home vs. Good Shepherd, Elgin 6:00 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Home vs. Good Shepherd, Elgin
Wednesday 11/28	Macaroni & Cheese, Tossed Salad, Dinner Roll, Jello with Fruit, Milk 8:00 a.m. Chapel 2:30 – 3:45 p.m. Varsity Girls & Jr. Varsity Girls Basketball Practice 3:45 – 5:00 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Practice 5:00 – 6:15 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Practice
Thursday 11/29	Stuffed Potato, Corn, Fruit Mix, Animal Crackers, Milk 4:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Home vs. St. Matt, Hawthorne Woods 5:30 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Home vs. St. Matthew, Hawthorne Woods
Friday 11/30	Foot Long Hot Dog, Potato Rounds, Green Beans, Applesauce, Milk 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. 6 th – 8 th Grade Dance

