

IMPORTANT DATES

August 20th—Preparation Day (ALL FAMILIES IN PERSON) 9am to 6pm

August 25th—First Day of School

September 3rd—Packer Day

September 4th-7th—No School/Labor Day

September 8th-21st—K-8th Grade MAP Testing



August 17, 2020

Friendly Reminder: We will start the school year with NO hot lunch offerings. Each student will need to bring from home a cold lunch. Please remember that we are eating lunch in classrooms. Your child's teacher will notify you if your student is in a peanut free classroom as their lunch will need to be nut free. Our **AMAZING** PTL is working on some pizza and theme day lunches so stay tuned for more information.

2019-2020 School Year Missing Items

The school office shows several families that still have outstanding tuition payments, negative milk account balances and missing library books.

All items and monies owed need to be settled with the school office before your child will be allowed to start the 2020-2021 school year.

If you have any questions please contact Kerry in the school office at 262-367-3664.



Divine Redeemer Lutheran School, along with all schools, have been challenged with difficult times... but "God is Good" and there are blessings all around! Blessings for the 2020-2021 school year include the addition of two new middle school teachers! Divine Redeemer is truly blessed to have Mrs. Bethany Irish and Mrs. Lisa Fickau as additions to an already incredible faculty!

Mrs. Bethany Irish is not new to Divine Redeemer as she currently serves as the wedding and funeral coordinator for the church and has been a member for the past 14 years. Her passion for the Lord and love of Divine Redeemer has her involved in Women's Ministry as a member of the Women's Ministry Team for the last 3 years. Her children, Caylie-11, Brady-9, Cade-7, and Brenna-5, all currently attend Divine Redeemer Lutheran School. Mrs. Irish has a teaching degree in Lutheran Secondary Education from Concordia University- Wisconsin, with an English Major and minor in Speech communication. She previously taught at Our Redeemer Lutheran School, and before staying at home to raise her children, also taught at Divine Redeemer for 6 years. Mrs. Irish is married to her husband, Chris, who previously taught at Divine Redeemer and currently is a teacher at Lake Country Lutheran High School. Bethany will be teaching Religion, Pre-Algebra, and an English class. We are excited to have Bethany back on the faculty!

Mrs. Lisa Fickau is also NOT new to Divine Redeemer Lutheran School as she often taught in our classrooms as a substitute teacher. In fact, Mrs. Fickau has been teaching for 20+ years in a variety of classrooms and subjects. She is a graduate of Carroll College and holds a degree in History and American Government and a minor in English prior to obtaining her master degree in Curriculum/Instruction with an emphasis in Literacy and Teacher Leadership. Lisa, and her husband (a landscaper), have three young-adult children that were all Divine Redeemer Lutheran School and Lake Country Lutheran High School graduates! The Fickau's enjoy time in their garden, long walks with their black lab, and watching the Washington Nationals baseball team play! Her teaching talents and vast experience in different subjects will be utilized by her teaching Eighth Grade Science and as a technology support person this year at Divine Redeemer. We look forward to having her return to Divine Redeemer and her joining our incredible faculty team as well!

Preparation Day Procedures

Classroom First—Gym Second

- Please enter the building using the main school entrance. A staff member will be there to direct new families to their classroom. The order in which you visit your child's classroom is up to you.
- After all classrooms have been visited proceed to the gym.
- When you enter the gym please take your child to the photo line first. VIP's new COVID-19 procedures do not allow parents behind the camera. If you have an older student please let them navigate the photo line independently while you start the information tables (please look for the "start here" sign). Parents of younger children may absolutely stay with their child during the photo process and then proceed together through the information tables.
- Please make your way around the tables and then head to the "check out" tables for payment.
 If you are a new student don't forget to stop at the "new families" table after your leave the checkout area.
- If your child needs to complete their 2019-2020 Birthday Book Club selection please head to the library before you leave. A list of students needing to complete their selection are listed on page 6 of the school newsletter.

Gym First—Classroom Second

- Please enter the building using the cafeteria/gym entrance. A staff member will be there to direct new families to their classroom. The order in which you visit your child's classroom is up to you.
- After all classrooms have been visited proceed to the gym.
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General Information

- All students/parents must wear a mask while in our building.
- Forms of payment accepted are: Cash, Check or Credit Card. Preference being cash/check to reduce our credit card processing fees.
- If you have completed medial forms please bring them with you. They can be turned in at the "checkout" table before your leave.

BE A CHAMPION - PLAY THUNDER FOOTBALL





Registration is currently underway for the Lake Country Lutheran Thunder tackle football program for all kids in grades 5-8 for the 2020-2021 school year. To register, go to www.weplayforhim.net

Thunder Football set the foundation of my high school success both on and off the field. Before we started to even dream about being a State Champion, we were taught how to be good teammates, competitors and Christian men." - Will Brazgel

"Thunder Football instilled in me the importance of teamwork and the closer you are with your teammates, the stronger the team will be. It also taught me how to play the correct way to prevent injuries and be an effective football player." - Andrew Schumacher

"Thunder taught me all the fundamentals in order to play the right way to be a successful football player." - Luke Haertle

Playing Thunder Football helped me learn how to be a good football player and also resulted: in lasting friendships. Those friendships contributed to our success and eventual State Championship." - Peter VandeZande









Summer AR Testing

Accelerated Reader testing will continue through the summer via online access AT **HOME!!!!**

Directions for accessing the program can be found in FastDirect under the "links" section.

Same restrictions as before:

- 1. Testing available Monday-Friday only.
- 2. Once we resume in-person instruction, testing will occur only at school.



For safety and convenience, photo day this year will be going paperless. All images will be posted online to view and order within a week after your photo day. All orders will be delivered straight to your door. We will send an order link to all parents about a week after pictures are taken giving you the option to order your students pictures.

Due to COVID-19, VIP has asked me to share the following change:

Photographers will not be allowed to help students with their hair etc. and parents will not be allowed behind the backdrops. A safe distance of 6 feet will always be adhered to and photographers/VIP staff will be masked. Posing will most likely be done while standing to eliminate the need for students to be touching the stools.



NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

for assessment and ongoing therapy services for all ages in all areas of:

- Hearing
- Language Emergent Literacy
- Voice/Resonance
- Communication deficit due to a





CHILD LANGUAGE & LITERACY CENTER PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

3 & 4 year olds seeking enrichment in speech, language, and literacy, along with 3-4 year old typically developing peers. 9am-11:30am on Tuesdays and Thursdays

FEEDING CLINIC

DOES YOUR CHILD EXPERIENCE:

- Difficulty transitioning from bottle to cup
- Difficulty transitioning to solid foods or textures
- Sensory defensiveness
- Does not allow you to touch their face, brush teeth accept foods of varied texture
- Limited number of foods accepted



WE CAN HELP!

Also offering continuation of services if they started somewhere else and treatment has now ended.

Group or individual sessions available: A range of treatment methods, such as in-person and telehealth services, will be utilized as appropriate

Principal Corner—FAQ COVID Edition

Q: What if my child has a runny nose?

A: We have protocol (flowchart) in place that helps us determine if the student's symptoms might be COVID related or not. If a student shows the symptoms of COVID, the teacher will send him/her to the office for evaluation according to the protocol given to us by the health department and DPI.

Q: What happens if a family member tests positive for COVID?

A: The student(s) who live in the household with someone who tested positive will need to quarantine for 14 days beginning after all symptoms in the household have subsided and no new symptoms have appeared.

Q: What if you're sick with an unknown cold/flu - will a COVID test be required for return to school?

A: No - parents will follow the protocol on the flowchart for "other illnesses" or "no test", depending on the symptoms.

Q: What happens if my child gets sick at school? Is there a time limit to pick up my child?

A: No - obviously the sooner the better. The goal is within 30 minutes, but if the nearest person is more than 30 minutes away, we will keep your child isolated and comfortable until you arrive.

Q: Will there be mid-day temperature checks?

A: Yes.

Q: What is the definition of "close contact"?

A: Within 6 feet of another person for more than 15 minutes.

Q: What happens when the mask mandate expires? Will DR still require masks?

A: We can't answer that question now. The situation is fluid and we have no idea what the situation will be like at the end of September.

Q: Do 4K students have to wear masks?

A: 5 year olds are required to wear masks; 4 year olds have a choice.

Q: Will DR require a doctor's note to qualify for a mask exemption?

A: Please see the mask exemption form.

Refer to the COVID Return Plan document and the flow charts for help in answering questions.

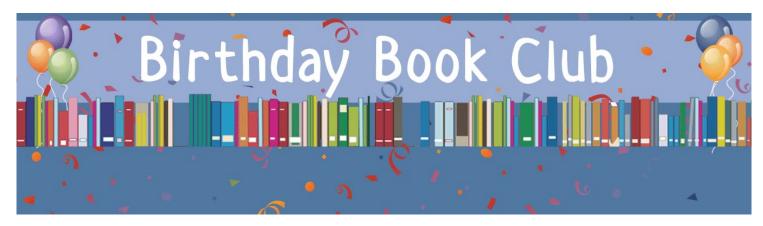
All COVID related documents can be found under the "links" tab in FastDirect and also on our new website at www.drlc.org

Physicals and Immunizations for the 2020-2021 School Year

Just a reminder that all incoming **Kindergarten**, **5th grade students and all new to DRLS students** need to have an updated physical turned in to the office by the beginning of this school year.

All incoming 6th grade students should have an updated tetanus booster on file in the office as well.

All forms are under the "links" section in FastDirect. The document is titled: Medical-Immunization-Emergency Information Forms 2020-2021



On Preparation Day, Cindy Stoltmann, will be finishing up the Birthday Book Club Books from the 2019-2020 school year. If your students name appears below please stop in the library to pick your book and have your picture taken **AFTER** you have finished with your prep day responsibilities.

Students Missing 2019-2020 Birthday Book Club Selection

Shelby Artru Lizzie Bickel

Gideon Biedenbender

Max Brewer

Brady Cardenas Adeleine Catlin

Adeleine Catlin Ryker Dyrud

Benjamin Hansen

Brenna Irish Max Huber

Michelle Miller

Cooper Reynolds Jack Roach

Hannah Swan Ben Uttech

Kaitlyn Waltersdorf Calder Williams Harper Bell

Thomas Bickel
Pearson Brannan

Ali Brewer

Bryce Cardenas

Brooks Cutler

Caleb Hansen Olivia Hoppe

Caylie Irish

Nikolas Larson

Ethan Neuberger

Colton Roach

Tucker Smith

Eve Timmerman

Lexi VanDerMeer

Melanie Weber Elliette Williams