

# MONDAY MESSENGER – TUESDAY EDITION

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**WELCOME BACK!** Hope everyone had a fun summer and is ready for a great year of learning!

**MONDAY MESSENGER:** The Monday Messenger is our whole school weekly newsletter that keeps you up to date on all things St. Paul's! The Monday Messenger is e-mailed each Monday (or the first day of the week) – usually late morning. It is also available on our website, [stpaulsfranklin.org](http://stpaulsfranklin.org), and paper copies are available on the lobby bookshelf. Some items will still come home in paper form so please check your child's backpack each Monday. If you have multiple children in K-8, the packet will come home with your youngest child. Please read items carefully – some school activities you will read about are only for 3K & 4K, some are only for K-8, and some are both! Everyone will receive a paper copy of the Monday Messenger today. If you'd like to continue to receive a paper copy each week, please let Cory in the office know.

**WEATHER THIS WEEK:** With extreme temperatures forecasted for this week, please make sure your students have water bottles with them.

**SEPTEMBER HOT LUNCH:** You should have already placed your hot lunch orders for September through the MealManage website. Hot lunch begins on **Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please remember to send a cold lunch along with your child these first few weeks of school. Milk will be available beginning today.

**NEXT WEEK – NO SCHOOL:** There is no school next Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> and the following Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> for Labor Day weekend. Enjoy your time off!

**K5 – GRADE 8 SCHOOL CLEANING:** As outlined in our Student Handbook, we ask that our families in Kindergarten - Grade 8 participate in one school cleaning date. We will have one date per quarter, along with one summer date. Please use [this Sign-Up Genius](#) to schedule your preferred date. If you do not sign up by Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, a date will be assigned to you. Thank you in advance for your help in keeping our school clean!

**2023-2024 STUDENT HANDBOOK (GRADES K-8):** If you did not receive a Student Handbook on Orientation night, please stop in the office and pick one up.

**SCHOOL PICTURE DAY:** School picture day will be Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Please note that School Pics no longer provides paper order forms. **All** photo orders will be placed online. We will send out the order link as the date gets closer.

**ABSENCE AND TARDY PROCEDURES:** If your child will be absent from school, please call the office before 8:30 AM to report it. If your child is ill, please give specific symptoms of their illness. We will continue our tardy policy this year. Any students in Kindergarten – Grade 8 arriving after 8:15 AM must stop in the office for a tardy slip. Teachers will not allow students in the classroom without a slip and will be sent back down to the office to pick one up if they do not have one.

**VISITOR SIGN IN PROCEDURE:** Any parents and/or visitors in the building during normal school hours must sign in on the log in the office. This does not include regular drop off and pick up times. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school safe!

**PARKING LOT:** For the safety of our children please enter and leave the parking lot slowly. Also a reminder that there is no parking at any time in the designated fire lane along the entrance to the school.

**LUTHERAN GIRL PIONEERS:** Lutheran Girl Pioneers is a Christ centered organization that provides supervised and constructive recreation for our youth. It also offers opportunities for Christian fellowship and encourages service to family, church and community with the motto "Loyal to Christ". Pioneers is open to girls in Grades 1-8. If you did not sign up on Orientation night, there are forms on the lobby bookshelf.

**FIRST QUARTER MISSION PROJECT – ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY:** Located at 1205 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, the St. Peter Food Pantry serves Milwaukee's south side and beyond. We will be collecting both monetary and food items during our first quarter. Watch for more information on the food collection. **\*The mission envelope that comes home each week can be used for your monetary offerings! Students should return the envelopes to their classroom mission offering baskets.**

**VIOLIN LESSONS (GRADES K-8):** If you are interested in violin lessons for your child and did not sign up on Orientation night, you may still sign up until the end of this week. Forms are available on the lobby bookshelf. Lessons will begin in September.

**WLHS INSTRUMENT TRYOUT FOR JR. VIKINGS BAND:** The Wisconsin Lutheran High School Jr. Vikings Band Program will be hosting instrument tryout and registration nights for new students (Grades 5-8) on Thursday, September 7 and Monday, September 11, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Meet the WLHS band directors and start your lifelong journey of making music and praising God on an instrument. Make new friends and meet future WLHS classmates! For questions, contact Jr. Vikings Band Program Director Danny Hafenstein at [daniel.hafenstein@wlhs.org](mailto:daniel.hafenstein@wlhs.org).

**WISCONSIN LUTHERAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR (WLCC) REGISTRATION:** Students in Grades 3-8 are invited to join the WLCC which is open to both girls and boys with unchanged voices. Auditions for placement purposes will be held on Thursday, September 7 and Monday, September 11, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. To register visit [wlhs.org/wlcc](http://wlhs.org/wlcc). For questions, contact WLCC Director Casey Pufahl at 414-453-4567 ext. 2572 or [casey.pufahl@wlhs.org](mailto:casey.pufahl@wlhs.org).

**WLHS GRADE SCHOOL FOOTBALL TAILGATE:** All school families are invited to a fun night at Raabe Stadium (1401 N Swan Blvd, Wauwatosa, WI 53226) on Friday, September 8. As part of our PK-12 partnership, Wisconsin Lutheran High School is sponsoring a FREE tailgate party from 5:15-5:45 p.m. before the varsity football game against Greenfield High School, at 7:00 p.m. Boys and girls of all ages will get to run, pass, kick and catch on the turf of the Raabe Stadium field. Visit [wlhs.org/tailgate](http://wlhs.org/tailgate) to RSVP by Wednesday, September 6.

**WLHS 6TH-8TH GRADE OPEN HOUSE:** Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Open House is on Sunday, October 1. Doors open at 12:45 p.m. with a program at 1:00 p.m. Grade school parents and students please join us to meet teachers, tour the school, and learn more about tuition assistance, scholarships, and the Choice Program. See what a difference academic excellence in a Christ-centered environment can make in your child's life! Interested families should register to attend at [wlhs.org/openhouse](http://wlhs.org/openhouse).

**CROSS COUNTRY AND VOLLEYBALL – GAME CHANGER APP:** Parents with students in Cross Country and Volleyball, we will have schedules, attendance tracking, and race registration via the "Game Changer" app. If you have not already downloaded it, please contact [stephaniejegen@aol.com](mailto:stephaniejegen@aol.com).

**SPORTS NEWS FROM MR. CLOUGH:** Fall sports had optional practices before our school year started, however, all fall sports officially start this week.

Cross country practices are Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 3:15-4. We have several meets throughout the fall from Waukesha to Lake Park to the Wisco conference meet. Thank you to Coach Zylka for running practices and Coach Jegen for assisting with administrative work.

We have all three of our volleyball teams this fall. A-team practices right after school followed by our B and C-teams. The C-team will play about 6-8 games and A+B teams will play about 12-15 games this fall. We host at least five games, so come out and watch the girls play and/or volunteer with concessions or at the scoring table! Thank you to [Coach Jegen](#), [Coach Huonder](#) and our assistants!

Soccer will start this week for boys and girls in 5-8th grades, although this year we opened to 4th graders as well to fill out the roster. [Luke Schlavensky](#) will coach our team again, and we have about 8 games of 11v11 and some 9v9.

***Quick Reminders:***

Our coaches are all volunteers and helping our athletic program because they enjoy children and the sport. Please be respectful and helpful of this situation. I saw a sign on multiple baseball fields this year that read, "Before you complain, how much have you volunteered?"

Practices are not daycare. Students hanging around waiting for practice (without parent supervision) will be sent to aftercare. If aftercare is open, students not picked up at the close of practice within a few minutes will also be sent to aftercare at the coach's discretion.

We've been blessed to have so many sports AND participants this academic year for our athletic programs! With these opportunities and more kids involved than previous years, comes more difficulty with gym time as well as practice and game schedules. Sorry for any hassle this causes; please utilize carpooling and aftercare as necessary.

Finally, if you have not turned in your paperwork, athletic fee, and volunteer hours check please do so as quickly as possible. Mr. Clough will be contacting families around Labor Day that have not turned in this paperwork, and your child(ren) could miss out on games/events.

**SPORTS CALENDAR:**

| <i>Monday</i> 8/21 | <i>Tuesday</i> 8/22                                   | <i>Wednesday</i> 8/23   | <i>Thursday</i> 8/24 | <i>Friday</i> 8/25  |
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|                    | <b>First Day of School</b><br><br>Soccer 3:15-4:30 PM | A Team Volleyball<br>3:15-4:30 PM<br><br>B Team Volleyball<br>4:00-5:00 PM<br><br>C Team Volleyball<br>5:00-6:15 PM |                      | Cross Country<br>3:15-4:00 PM<br><br>Soccer 3:15-4:30 PM<br><br>A/B/C Volleyball<br>Combined Serving<br>Practice 3:15-4:00 PM |

| <i>Monday</i> 8/28            | <i>Tuesday</i> 8/29   | <i>Wednesday</i> 8/30         | <i>Thursday</i> 8/31   | <i>Friday</i> 9/1 |
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| Cross Country<br>3:15-4:00 PM | Soccer 3:15-4:30 PM<br><br>A Team Volleyball<br>3:15-4:30 PM<br><br>B Team Volleyball<br>4:00-5:00 PM<br><br>C Team Volleyball<br>5:00-6:15 PM<br><br>A/B/C Parents<br>Meeting 6:15-6:45 PM | Cross Country<br>3:15-4:00 PM | Soccer 3:15-4:30 PM<br><br>A Team Volleyball<br>3:15-4:30 PM<br><br>B Team Volleyball<br>4:00-5:00 PM<br><br>C Team Volleyball<br>5:00-6:15 PM | <b>NO SCHOOL</b>  |