September 13, 2024



Good News Trinity!



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Sept 17 4 & 5pm Volleyball Games @ TLS Sept 18 6pm Orientation Night for 3-8th grade parents Pizza/Italian Soda Fundraiser Sept 20 Sept 24 4 & 5pm Volleyball Games @ TLS Sept 25 See you at the Pole Sept 27 11:30am Early Release 4 & 5pm Volleyball Games @ TLS Sept 30 ⁷∕₈ Volleyball Tourney @ Stillwater Oct 3-5 Pizza/Italian Soda Fundraiser Oct 4 Oct 7-10 ⁷∕₈ Volleyball Tourney @ Cayuse Oct 8/9 Individual School Pictures Oct 11-12 % Volleyball Tourney @ Deer Park Oct 18 Pizza/Italian Soda Fundraiser Oct 20 1st-4th Sing in Church @ 10:45am service

<u>The Mission of TLS:</u> Celebrating Real Hope for Real People in Jesus

The Vision of TLS:

Responding to the grace of God in Jesus Christ, we partner with families in the nurture and education of their children for service to Christ on earth and for eternity.

Our Values:

Proclaim Jesus Christ Nurture Faith Achieve Academic Excellence Serve in Love Show Integrity Instill Lifelong Learning



Principal's Corner

Life is about finding a healthy balance, would you agree? We strive to find a balance between work and play, a balance between healthy foods and sweet treats and a balance between work and family time. The list could go on. I would imagine you could add to my list. In your household, maybe you also work to have a balance with your use of technology.

Today I want to share with you just two tips on having a balance with the use of technology in your home.

My first tip is to encourage you to keep alternatives to technology available. Everyone likes a neat and tidy house, but out of sight can be out of mind. What if all the board games were not stored neatly in the closet, but one is left on the kitchen counter where the tablet would normally land. Maybe crayons and a coloring book or a sudoku tablet are left on the coffee table. You might consider keeping a puzzle or craft table available for the family. The soccer ball might be more likely to be played with if it is visible by the back door. Keep alternative to technology available.

My second tip on finding a balance with technology is this. I'll turn off my device if you do. Find times throughout the day when all devices go into "time out." Some suggestions would be mealtime, bedtime, during the morning routines and right when the kids get home from school. Use these times to be fully present with your children. It is easy to pick up our phones and scroll social media and only half listen to our children. It's easy for us to send boundaries and time limits for our children, but how about for the adults in the family? When your children are present, don't be tempted to pick up your phone. September 18 September 25 Chapel Pastor Brian 8th Grade

Chapel starts at 8:20am and parents, grandparents and family are always welcome!

Chapel offerings for September and October will go to the Heart Locker in Kalispell.

Kalispell Heart Program

The Heart Locker benefits families in our community with school supplies, hygiene items and gently used clothing. Pre-k and Kindergarten will collect packages of new underwear for both boys and girls. Grades 1-4 - Any school supply Grades 5-8 - Deodorant

Your student will receive a special heart bag next week to place cash offerings inside then bring it forward during our weekly chapel offering (extra bags will be available in the school office or from your classroom teacher).

SALT Opportunities

Each family (K-8th) is asked to serve 25 volunteer hours each year. This can also be donated to the school at a rate of \$20/hour. Here are some available options for serving to get a jump start on next year:

- Sign up to help with Pizza/Italian Soda Days
 <u>HERE</u>
- Empty trash cans on the playground.
- Keep bins of ice melt stocked. (If interested, we can give you more details).
- Would you like to help supervise the playground? We are looking for someone on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:40

 11:00. Contact the school office if you are interested.
- Help supervise the lunchroom from 11:00 -12:00 any day of the week.

Parents are responsible for recording their SALT hours. Please use the app or the notebook in the office for recording hours.

Half of your SALT hours (12.5 hours = \$250) are due by January 17th or will be charged to your TADs account in February. Any unfinished second half of your SALT will be assessed in April and added to your last TADs payment in May.

Enjoy your family time together.

Families In Touch

Do you know that we have a group of women who pray faithfully for the needs of our students and staff? This group is led by Judy Bennett. Each week Mrs. Bennett asks for prayer requests from one class. The teacher allows each student to submit a personal prayer request and those requests, along with the teacher's own requests, are shared confidentially with our Prayer Warriors. Mrs. Bennett is leading a group of parents every Thursday in her office from 2:00-3:00. We are always finished in time to collect your students after school! If you are not able to attend, she will make the requests available for you to pray on your own. Would you like to join this group and pray for the needs of Trinity?

Contact Judy Bennett at judybennett@trinityed.org or call 406-270-9755 if you would like more information.

This week we will be lifting the Kindergarten, Mrs. Junk and Mrs. Bramblett up in prayer.

Title | Funding

Today an important paper came home with the oldest child in your family. It has a hot pick ½ sheet of paper attached to it. Please tear off this pink paper and only return the attached white sheet so your information remains confidential. It is important for every family to fill this out and return it to the school office. This information will help Trinity secure funding for this year and the following year.

Library

Friday is Library Day for your student!

TLS is pleased to partner with you in nurturing the joy and adventure of reading! First through Fourth graders are able to check out two books each week, provided the books from the previous week have been returned. Books are due on THURSDAYS. Our library offers literature on a wide range of topics and genres for your students to choose from, so we leave it to parents to determine which authors/titles/topics are best for their families. Parents may choose to fill SALT hours by volunteering at the library on Fridays. Contact Joanna Wirth to coordinate. Your questions, comments, and book suggestions are always welcome!

Trinity Parent App



Have you downloaded your PA Connect Parent App yet?! This is one of the tools we use to stay in communication with you. You received an email invite on 8/22/24.

Use the app to:

- report a tardy or absence
- log SALT hours
- check out upcoming events
- read class & school newsletters
- see the hot lunch menu
- look at the latest sports schedule
- get info and reminders about upcoming fieldtrips
- AND MORE!

Agreements on the App

Agreements for SALT and reading the Parent Student Handbook are due today! Please check the app if you haven't completed this!

Parent Orientation Meeting

When: September 18 @ 6-7pm Who: Parents of grade 3-8 students Where: Meet in the Sanctuary Bring a device (Chromebook, laptop or phone) and your student's log-in and password for HMH/Math and Google (Chromebook login). This way, you will be able to log in that night and become familiar with each area. Can't wait to see you there!



<u>Volleyball</u>

Girls Volleyball 5th-8th grade is off and running! Plan to come support them at some of their upcoming games! Here is the <u>schedule</u>!



We are offering Trinity warm-up jerseys again! These shirts can be ordered for parents and students. They are not required - This is an optional item you can order for you or your student to wear to school and/or during sports warm-ups (volleyball, basketball, cross country). Please place your order before Sunday, October 6. There will be no late orders accepted. Orders will come directly to the school and be delivered to your student by Mrs. Peiffer.





These short video clips (3-5 minutes) can be watched while you wait for your children in the pickup line. Some solid advice on technology is offered to parents.



Technology is everywhere, it can connect people around the world, but it also has the power to disconnect us from those around us. For many parents, deciding how to use technology in their home can be challenging. How we connect with one another is different than ever before and we are left wondering technology's role is in forming relationships.



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> Worship Schedule: Traditional 8am Sunday School 9:30am Contemporary 10:45am

Watch sermons online <u>HERE</u> Current Sermon Series:





