



**Dubuque  
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Celebrating our 14<sup>th</sup> year of Christian Education**

# ***DLS NEWS***

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*“This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory.  
And his disciples believed in him.” -John 2:11*

Dear Friends of DLS,

Today in Chapel we heard about Jesus’ first miracle, the changing of water into wine at a wedding feast in Cana. All of Jesus’ miracles are purposeful. They revealed something about who Jesus was. This miracle shows us that Jesus is able to provide for our needs. Just as his mother could come to him with a simple request for more wine at a party, we can ask him for the things we need to meet each day. But Jesus goes beyond just meeting our everyday needs. This miracle pointed ahead to an even greater miracle. Jesus’ “appointed hour” (John 2:4) to which his whole life was leading, was his sacrificial death on the cross for our sins. This was the ultimate manifestation of his glory. The miracle came on the third day when he rose from the dead, leaving death defeated for us. Wine is a sign of abundance, celebration, and joy. Because what Jesus did for us, we will enjoy abundant and joyful celebrating in the heavenly wedding feast to come! May God bless this school year at DLS with abundant joy.

Pastor Crawford

## **Improvise, Adapt, and Survive**

No, that is not Mr. Kuske’s birthday motto. That motto is the unofficial guide for the U.S. Marine Corp. The last few weeks however, that might have better fit students across America. Improvising is needed as the best plans that students, parents, and teachers have change once we learn each other’s needs. Adapting might best describe the new “coping” skills all three parties are trying as we meet the demands of a new, more challenging grade. Survive, well that’s what we all are trying to do in these first weeks. As we figure the new people and systems out, we learn and grow.

If any one person tries to do all this by themselves they will have a difficult time, at best. We, however; work as a team. Parents, teachers, and students all work together as one group. More importantly, God is the captain of our team. We pray for His blessings as He guides us while we improvise, adapt, and by His grace, survive!

Mr. Kuske



**DLS PICTURE DAY**



Wednesday, September 21st will be our picture day. The crew will begin photographing about 9:30 am. Please note that every student and every staff member will need to be photographed so that we can have a picture for DLS’s school records. We will send home the order forms when we receive them from Lifetouch. We will also have a few extra order forms at the school just in case one gets lost. If you don’t want to deal with an order form, there will also be an opportunity to place your order online before and after picture day.



### **DLS APPAREL ORDERS**

There will be a DLS Apparel Order in the family folders this week. This will be your time to get your Blue and Gold apparel! Please make your checks out to Dubuque Lutheran School. The due date for these to be returned is Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Also, please note ~ the polo is embroidered but will only have "Dubuque Lutheran School" on it, but not the school logo. All apparel will be royal blue. If you need an additional order form, please see the attachment with the DLS Newsletter email.

### **SCHOOL PICNIC**

The Back to School Picnic was a great success and fun was had by all. Thank you to everyone who had a part in planning the event and also to the DLS and Our Redeemer Preschool families and friends who attended to show your support for Dubuque Lutheran School. We truly appreciate it and look forward to more events this school year!

### **SCRIP ORDER DUE**

Our first Scrip order of the school year is due tomorrow 9/2 and will be delivered by the end of the following week. All orders must be placed online, so if you have not registered yet, please do so as soon as possible. You can still pay by check or cash, and those payments must be received in the office by 8:30 am tomorrow, 9/2. Remember, this is the first year that you are able to earn tuition credit with your purchases – please do not miss out on this opportunity!

### **MOMS IN PRAYER BACK TO SCHOOL BRUNCH**

The Moms in Prayer Back to School Brunch is tomorrow, 9/2 from 9 am to 11 am at DLS. This is a great opportunity to hear from Ruth Barz, our Area Coordinator, and also to meet other praying groups in Dubuque.

### **KINDERGARTEN TEACHER INSTALLATION SERVICE**

Please join us at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church for Laura Kester's installation service on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. We will also be having a small reception afterwards in the Fellowship Hall. Come meet our new Kindergarten teacher. We are excited to have her at DLS!

### **COPIES OF LUNCH ORDERS**

I will put a copy of your lunch order for September in your family folder in case you need it. If it is not something you need, go ahead and throw it out. It may be helpful for some families who ordered hot lunch just on certain days.

### **HEALTH FORMS**

Due to the craziness of the beginning of the year, there may be some forms we need from you to make our files complete. Please check your family folders to see if there are any forms we need you to fill out. Thank you!

### **SUPPLY FEE**

If you have not turned in your supply fee, please drop it off at the office for this school year. The fee is \$60 per student this year, with a family maximum of \$120 per family. Any questions on whether you have already paid? Just stop by and see Jon in the office.

### **CALENDAR DATES TO NOTE**

September 2 – Moms In Prayer Back to School Brunch 9 am – 11 am

September 2 – SCRIP order due 8:30 am

September 4 – Laura Kester installation - 10:30 am service at Our Redeemer

September 5 – No School (Labor Day)

September 14 – Early Release (1:30 pm) – Professional Development

September 21 – School Pictures at 9:30 a.m.

September 30 – No Hot Lunch due to public school day off

October 7 – No School – Professional Development