

**BUENA VISTA
SEVENTH-DAY
ADVENTIST SCHOOL**

Thursday Thoughts

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NOVEMBER 30, 2023

CALENDAR

- **Nov. 30-Dec. 3—**
Journey to Bethlehem, AAA Church
- **Dec. 1—2nd Grade**
Field Trip to Canterbury Nursing Home
- **Dec. 13—Grades 6 & 8**
Field Trip to MOHAI
- **Dec. 14—**
Christmas Program
6:00pm TK-4
7:15pm 5-8
- **Dec. 15—NOON**
DISMISSAL
- **Dec. 18-Jan. 2—**
NO SCHOOL,
Christmas Break
- **Jan. 3—School**
Resumes
- **Jan. 12—Last Day**
of 2nd Quarter
- **Jan. 15—NO**
SCHOOL, MLK Jr.
Day



Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook, fb.com/bvsdaschool, for additional BV info and pictures.

Menu December 4 - 8

Dec. 4

Chik burger,
Carrot sticks,
Pear

Dec. 5

Waffles,
Breakfast links,
Peaches,
Potato patty

Dec. 6

Baked potato,
Chik nuggets,
Broccoli,
M&M brownie

Dec. 7

Ravioli,
Salad,
Mixed veggies

Dec. 8

Veggie burger,
French fries,
Apple slice



Christmas Program

After much discussion and planning, Buena Vista is happy to announce the plan for this year's Christmas program. Both programs will take place on Thursday, December 14th. Here are the details:

1. Grades TK-4 will take place at Auburn Adventist Academy Church at 6:00pm.
2. Grades 5-8 will take place in the Buena Vista gym at 7:15pm.

This will allow both programs to take place on the same evening for families with children in lower and upper grades. This will also take away the need to tear down one stage and set up a second stage for each group's needs. While no plan was perfect, we hope this will solve the majority of issues arising from two programs.



Our students are busy preparing for these performances. All students need to be at their performance location no later than 15 minutes before it starts. Please plan

to be early in case of traffic. If possible, students need to wear church clothes in Christmas colors (preferably red, white, green, and black). We look forward to a special evening of music showcasing what our students have learned so far this year.

Please note that it IS required for every student to be at their program. Everyone is needed to make the evening a success. The program is part of each student's music grade for the quarter. Arrive early for a good seat!

Decorate Our Tree

Students, we need your artwork, drawings, paper chains, snowflakes, and any other colorful crafty ornaments you can make. The more color the better! Please bring them to the office and help make our tree and entryway beautiful!



Closure Notification



Winter weather is upon us! When school must close due to weather, power outages, or other emergency situations, parents will be contacted through Buena Vista's web-based notification system. This includes texts messages and emails to families regarding emergency and non-urgent announcements. Buena Vista will follow the Auburn School District regarding school closures or late starts for weather and emergency conditions. There will be no before-school care on late-start days. Not signed up to receive BV text messages? Text "Yes" to 87569 to get started.

Buena Vista draws families from a wide ranging area, and weather can be very different from one area to another. Your family's safety is paramount and so we would encourage you to exercise your best judgment regarding a decision to drive. If you deem it unsafe to travel in your locality, we would expect you to stay off the roads or come in later when conditions have improved. Stay safe!

Take Note

Dismissal Changes

Dismissal time for grades 3-8 has become more and more chaotic as the school year has progressed. In an effort to make the process more efficient and manageable, students in grades 3-8 are now waiting in their classrooms to be called for their rides in the back of the school. For those parents who prefer to park and come inside to pick up their children, please check in at the office window to have your child's name placed on the call list. They will be called to the office once dismissal begins. Please do not go to the classrooms to pick up your children. That becomes distracting, and other students miss hearing their names when they are called. Thank you for your patience as we transition to our new procedure.

Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom He gives. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts.

Colossians 3:16



8th Grade Snack Shop

The class of 2024 is raising funds for their Fun Days at the end of the school year. They are selling items every Wednesday. One week will be various snacks and drinks, while the next week will be popcorn. Snack items range from \$1.00-\$3.00. Popcorn is \$2.00.

Wednesday, December 6: Popcorn

Wednesday, December 13: No Snack Shop

Send a few dollars with your child on Wednesdays, and help support the 8th grade class!

Absent Students

If your child is going to be late or absent to school for any reason, please don't forget to contact the school office to let us know. Even if you have informed the teacher, the office needs to know as well. If the office does not know why your child is absent, you will receive a phone call to check on them. Feel free to call and leave a message day or night if you know your child will be out of school.

Going on vacation? Don't forget to submit a Prearranged Absence form in order to have the trip excused. Forms are available in the office and on the school website.



Note From the Kitchen



The accuracy of the hot lunch count each day is very important. Mrs. Underhill needs to know how many lunches are needed no later than 9:30am each day so she can prepare enough meals for those who need them. In addition, if a lunch has been ordered but needs to be cancelled (i.e. parent decides to bring a lunch for their child from home instead), please notify the school no later than 9:30am. If a student orders a hot lunch but does not cancel the order in time, their account will be charged. Mrs. Underhill can send the lunch home with the student if needed. Thank you for helping us

Healthy Students



In an effort to keep our students healthy, we ask that students who are sick or otherwise contagious be kept at home. If a student is running a fever, or is suspected of being contagious by school personnel, the student must stay home until 24 hours after the fever has gone down without the aid of medication and symptoms are gone. We understand that it is an inconvenience to have your child stay home, but it really is the best choice for your child, their classmates, and school staff.

AAA Fundraiser

Delicious **COLOMBIAN EMPANADAS**

Beef **Vegan** **Chicken**

\$3 EACH
2 X \$5

Hawaiian

FRIDAY IN THE ENTRANCE
2:15 PM

Blue Christmas

The holidays can be a difficult time for families who have lost a loved one, whether recently or years ago.

We invite you to a special service of reflection, comfort, healing and hope.

Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 6 PM

Auburn Adventist Academy Church
5010 Auburn Way S, Auburn WA 98002

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office@aaachurch.com
Refreshments following