

Mission Statement

St. Paul Lutheran School exists to educate and support the whole child through an excellent Christ-centered education, nurture our school families with God's Word, guide them in applying their faith to their lives, and encourage them to joyfully share the good news of salvation with the world. Proverbs 22:6 - "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

From Your Principal

Rejoice as we celebrate sharing God's Word and nurturing faith in young hearts as they grow in their knowledge of His love! It is hard to believe that we just finished the second quarter, and we are now entering our enrollment window for the 2025-2026 school year. God continues to bless our ministry, and as we prepare for the upcoming school year, we invite you to complete your registration from January 13 to January 24. We also encourage you to share the joy of a Christ-centered education with your family and friends. Additionally, if our school has blessed your family, we would greatly appreciate it if you could leave us a review on Google. Your kind words help us spread our mission and reach more families in our community. Thank you for your care, love, and support for St. Paul!

<u>School News</u>

Athletics

Basketball and Cheer pictures will take place immediately after Christmas break:

- Tuesday, January 7
 - 3:00 PM Cheer
 - Wednesday, January 8
 - 3:00 PM Boys B
 - 3:15 PM Girls B
 - Thursday, January 9
 - 3:00 PM Boys A
 - 3:15 PM Girls A

Our Wednesday B-team practices will resume at regular times after the break. Girls 3:30 start and Boys 5:00 start. Please join us for our home games during Spirit Week! January 29 is an added-on game to the original schedule, and only the A teams are playing. Then January 30 will be the spirit week finale. Come cheer on our Eagles!

(Visit our Fox Valley WELS Athletic League website fvwal.org, to learn more.)

Technology

Our staff and students use many great software tools to support the educational process. If you need help with our software tools, please get in touch with Mr. Brennan at jared.brennan@stpaulgreenbay.com.

Extended Learning

Extended learning quarterly reports will be coming home alongside the general education report cards for the second quarter. At any time of the year, if you have questions or would like to discuss your students' plans, please reach out to Mrs. Blum and Mrs. Plitzuweit. We are happy to meet with you! Have a very blessed Christmas!!!

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We sold 93 Kwik trip cards for a \$1,488 profit. We also earned \$130 from Cousins Subs. Funds earned went to support purchasing additional physical education equipment and a spotlight for our drama program. We have made over \$6,000 selling Seroogy's candy bars. If you have any remaining candy bars or money, please return them to the office.

January 2025

Junior Choir

Coming up, we sing on January 12th in both the 8:00 and 10:30 services. Students may attend Kids Bible Hour or Teen Bible Class between services. They may leave right after we sing in the late service.

Google/Facebook Reviews

Exciting news! We're hosting a Google/Facebook Review Contest to share the wonderful experiences at our school. Leave a review on either platform by January 31, and you will be entered into a drawing to win a \$25 Scrip credit! Two lucky winners will be selected randomly, so don't miss this chance to support our school and win a prize. Thank you for helping us spread the word about our mission and community!

Registration for 2025-2026

We are excited to announce that online registration for the 2025-2026 school year will be open from January 13 through January 24. This convenient process ensures your child's spot for the new academic year and helps us plan effectively for classes and resources. Letters with complete information will go out on Monday, January 13. The registration information will also be available on January 8. Please contact the school office if you have any questions or need assistance.

Tuition Rates

Tuition rates for the 2025-2026 school year have been set. Our Board of Christian Education and Church Council have approved tuition rates. Member rates for next year start at \$2,400. A complete breakdown can be found <u>here</u>. Our congregation remains committed to ensuring that every family can afford a Christian education. If you feel the tuition rate will be difficult for your family to meet, we request you complete the electronic scholarship application linked <u>here</u>. You can also pick up a copy of the paper from our main office. Scholarship applications are due by April 15. If you have questions or concerns about tuition rates, please contact Brian Zwieg at

education@stpaulgreenbay.com.

FVL Schools Winter Sports Night

Our PTO and Coaches plan to organize a group to watch the FVL Foxes Basketball team and Pep band play on January 23. Please stay tuned to Talking Points for additional information.

Spirit Week

Our annual spirit week will be held January 27 - 31. Please watch for additional information in January related to various celebrations on each day.

Eagle Spirit Night

Eagle Spirit Night will be at our home basketball games on Friday, January 31st. We would love to see ALL our St. Paul families there to cheer our teams on to victory! In addition to supporting our athletes, we ask you to support Bay Area Life Center with a diaper and clothing drive. This center distributes diapers to an average of about 170 families per week, free of charge. They also give away about 500 items of clothing each week, all to families in need in the Green Bay area. Families interested in donating a box of diapers (only sizes 4, 5 or 6) or the cash equivalent (\$26-37) during January may drop them off in the office. Bay Area Life Center is also looking for children's clothing in sizes 2T-5T (any season, boys or girls). The final day for collecting all these items is at the basketball game on January 31st. In February, our school children will participate in a service project to package diapers and wipes and organize clothing to give to the Bay Area Life Center. We hope you can help us in this big endeavor! We know that together, we can do amazing things to show the love of Jesus to people in our community! If you would like to learn more about BALC, you can watch this video: https://fb.watch/wxy5EZ8nx5/

Snow Days and Weather Delays

Every year, we get questions about when we will or will not have school as snow and cold weather approach. This is a great question. The decision to cancel or delay school is always a challenging one for school officials to make. This is usually only done when a situation is so severe that the physical safety of the staff and students is in jeopardy. In the case of a delay due to weather, the decision is made when the plows, the buses, and parent vehicles may be unable to get to school on time. Having school after a delay is due to legal requirements over the number of hours. At this time, St. Paul could have 1 1/2 days worth of no school or snow days before we would need to add additional days to the school year or minutes to each day. Keeping a child at home when school is in session is always up to the parent. If you feel like the weather conditions are such that you cannot make it safely, you should keep your child at home.

Virtual Learning Days

Virtual Learning Days will be held for our 7th and 8th-grade students if we meet the 1 ½ days in our current calendar and an additional snow or severe weather day is called. Additional instructions will be shared with 7th and 8th-grade families if this occurs.

Spring Musical: Frozen Jr

All 5-8 graders brought home a letter attached to a packet last week. Please read the letter and encourage your student to consider participating in the production this year. Especially if they have never done it or if neither of you think they have the gifts. So many students have discovered gifts they never knew they had, especially our male leaders! If I may be selfish - I have so enjoyed interacting with our big kids every day in the classroom - I would love all of them to take this opportunity to interact outside the school, trust me to walk alongside them as they step outside their comfort zone, and bring me to happy tears witnessing them crush those obstacles and soar! A parent/student meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 14, at 5:15 pm to learn more. I am excited to see everyone there!

St. Paul Night with The Wisconsin Herd

Get your tickets now and mark your calendars for a Wisconsin Herd night fundraiser, Saturday, March 1. Kids will be able to participate in a high five tunnel, post-game photos on the court, and free throws. A percentage of the ticket sales are donated back to the school!! Additional details can be found here or on the flyer sent home with students.

Upcoming Dates

Monday, January 6 - Classes Resume Friday, January 10 - Basketball Game - Away at Immanuel Sunday, January 12 - Junior Choir Sings Monday, January 13 - Monthly PTO Meeting Tuesday, January 14 - Parent/Student meeting for Musical Wednesday, January 15 - Basketball Game - Away vs Martin Luther Friday, January 17 - Basketball Game - Home vs Bethlehem Sunday, January 19 - 3rd & 4th Grade Sings Monday, January 20 - No School - MLK, Jr Day Thursday, January 23 - FVL Sports Night Friday, January 24 - Basketball Game - Home vs St. Mark Sunday, January 26 - 3rd & 4th Grade Sings at Messiah Monday, January 27 - Spirit Week Begins Tuesday, January 28 - Early Release Wednesday, January 29 - Basketball Game - Home vs Morrison Zion Friday, January 31 - Basketball Game - Home vs Martin Luther Friday, January 31 - Spirit Week Ends

Click <u>here</u> for the 2024-2025 School Calendar Want to see this year's events at a glance? Click <u>here</u>! You can find our Google Calendar <u>here</u> Athletic Calendar can be found <u>here</u> Support your favorite Eagles by clicking <u>here</u>

<u>Classroom News</u>

7 & 8 - Mr. Brennan

I hope everyone has a blessed Christmas. May God bless you in 2025. We will be back at school soon enough, and with that, we look to continue SOARing each day. The start of the 3rd term means we have reached the halfway point, and our 8th graders are closer to graduation than they were at the beginning of the year. We will continue preparing them for that transition to high school and get the 7th graders ready to be the 8th-grade leaders we need next year.

6 - Mr. Jammer

Thank you for the gifts, cards, and greetings this Christmas season. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year! Thank you to those who helped with our classroom Christmas party and/or donated items. Grades 5-6 will take a field trip to the Barlow Planetarium in Oshkosh on Friday, January 17, to see a presentation, "Solar System Exploration." Looking ahead, 2nd Quarter reports will be sent home on January 14. Please sign and return the envelope. Also, Grades 5-6 sing in the Prayer at the Close of the Day (7:30 pm) on Wednesday, February 5.

5 - Mr. Wellhoefer

Thank you all for the generous gifts and donations for our Christmas party. Grades 5-6 will take a field trip to the Barlow Planetarium in Oshkosh on Friday, January 17, to see a presentation, "Solar System Exploration." We get to have a guest teacher, Mr. Schaewe, join our art classes during the third quarter. In music, students will begin using recorders. Please double check that your child has brought theirs back to school. Our next focus in math will be learning to add and subtract fractions.

4 - Ms. Van Calster

The "reading is a gift" book reports turned out awesome! Thank you for encouraging your child to do their best on those projects. We started our newest unit of science, energy! Check out our classroom facebook page for videos and pictures of the new investigations we are doing. In math we are continuing our multiplication lessons and focusing on factors and multiples now. In ELA, we will be starting a new unit, Eureka. The 4th graders will become student inventors. Looking ahead to January, we sing on the 19th! More information will come after Christmas break.

3 - Mrs. Malme

Thank you to everyone who donated items for our classroom Christmas party! During December, we had fun exploring forces using magnets. We look forward to our continued study of forces as we explore patterns of motion. After break, we will start a new unit in ELA that focuses on light and sound. Our upcoming math unit focuses on addition and subtraction within 1,000. In January, please keep an eye out for information about our class singing in church on the 19th.

2 - Mrs. Bakeberg

Thank you to the parents who signed up to provide food for our classroom party, and also for the Christmas gifts. Your generosity is appreciated. The second graders have been studying solids, and will now begin learning about liquids. In math, we will continue to learn about measuring in English and metric units. We will also keep writing personal narratives in writing. Right after vacation, be watching for a letter about the grades 1-2 spring musical, "Pajama Party." We will begin working on it right after the break. We're also looking forward to the 100th day of school in January; we've been counting days since the beginning of the year. God bless our new year!

1 - Ms. Koenig

Thank you to everyone for the generous gifts and donations this Christmas. Thank you also for the continued prayers as we begin the New Year. In January, we will be starting several new units such as counting to 120 in math. We will also learn all about light in science. In writing class, the students will begin a personal narrative unit where they will write about experiences in the classroom. Let's continue to rejoice in the Lord in 2025!

K - Mrs. Jammer

Looking ahead to January, we will add and subtract more in math. We want to flexibly and efficiently add and subtract within 5 (4+1=5, 5-3=2). In language arts, we will work with consonant blends and study "Kings and Queens." In science, we will observe trees in winter and begin our investigations with "Getting to Know Paper." Our field trip to the Children's Museum in Green Bay is Friday, January 24, from 12:45 pm to 2:45 pm. I will send home a note after Christmas and look for drivers and chaperones.

3K & 4K - Mrs. Zabell & Mrs. Nelson

Thank you so much for all the generous Christmas gifts for our classroom! What fun! We'll start using some of them tomorrow already! We will go on one of our favorite field trips at the end of January - making and eating pizza at Happy Joe's! Afternoon class goes on the 21st, while the morning class tour is on the 22nd. Look for a note about that after Christmas break.



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Join friends, family, and staff of **St. Paul Lutheran** for a fun night out with the **Wisconsin Herd!** St. Paul Lutheran kids will be invited to participate in exclusive experiences provided by the Herd and a portion of the ticket sales will be donated back to the school!

EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

- High Five Tunnel
- Post-Game Group Photo + Free Throws on-court



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