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## Summer Newsletter – July 12, 2018

Dear members of our *Christ Alone Lutheran School* family,

I pray that your summer has been a rewarding one – a bit more relaxed than the rest of the calendar year. Perhaps your family has been able to get away for a while, do some different activities, or maybe just have a few more suppers grilled in the backyard. Now that July is almost half over, our thoughts turn more and more to the new school year ahead. This newsletter is simply to share some information and let you know that more will be coming as the summer winds down.

The **theme** in the Kettle Moraine Lutheran PreK-12 Federation for the year ahead is “**Blessed Beyond Belief.**” Along with special monthly themes, this will be our focus for 2018-19. Certainly, we can see God’s blessings in every aspect of our lives, and the excitement of a school year is no exception.

**Please note the following attachments with this mailing:**

- a. school year calendar
- b. classroom supply list
- c. religious books order request form
- d. tuition rates and fees

**TADS** – Christ Alone will again use the online tuition management system called TADS for admissions, enrollment, and billing. **Families can expect to receive multiple emails from TADS requesting them to log in and complete various phases in the setup process.** *These emails should not be disregarded, as most likely there is something in TADS needing attention.* **The enrollment phase requires families to indicate whether or not their child(ren) will be attending Christ Alone and to update their family information.** *If you have not yet completed the enrollment phase in TADS, please do so very soon.* (A class list, family directory, and emergency contact list are produced from this information.) **The agreement phase requires families to choose a payment plan** (one, two, four, or nine installments.) Families who **choose, by August 10, to pay in one or two installments will receive a discount of \$50 per child.** **All families must choose a payment plan by August 28.** **Late fees will be incurred this year for late payments.** **TADS will not record a payment made via check until a payment plan is selected.**

If you have not received any emails from TADS, please contact the school office. You may access TADS through links in their emails or by going to <https://secure.tads.com/Accounts/Login.aspx>.

**CARING FOR CHRIST’S CHILDREN (CCC)** – Tuition assistance amounts for the 2018-19 school year were *awarded* to qualifying families *earlier this summer.* These **amounts will be deducted from tuition in TADS after families have selected their payment plan.** *Applications for the 2019-20 school year will be made available in March 2019.*

If you have any questions or concerns about TADS or the CCC program, please don't hesitate to call.  
(262) 242-3870 – school office                      (262) 685-8427 – Mr. Aswege's cell phone number

**HOME VISITS** – From **August 7-17**, most of our homeroom teachers will be making home visits to **families with students who are NEW to their classrooms. Visits will be scheduled through Sign Up Genius.** Watch your email this week for the Sign Up Genius Invite(s). *Mrs. Toppe will make earlier plans for visits to families of 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, and Mrs. Knox may appreciate having some of her visits conducted at school, as she will have just arrived here.* On the home visit, you will receive additional forms to complete; you are encouraged to **bring these forms back on Parent Orientation Night, August 21.** Our teachers will provide updated school handbooks to families as well.

**SCHOOL CLEANING NIGHT** – This event is planned for **Wednesday, August 15**, from **6:00-8:00 pm.** Please join us in this family effort, as we make our classrooms and hallways sparkle! Task lists for each classroom will be posted to keep track of what's accomplished and what remains to be done. **If you are unable to make it that night but would still like to help during the week, please contact us.** Thanks, in advance, for your help!

**NO HOT LUNCH PROGRAM** – There will be no hot lunch program at Christ Alone this year due to the following reasons. Participation with our last provider had dwindled considerably, and other programs are either not available to us as a private school or the prices are even more prohibitive. Other options will be explored further during the year ahead.

**SAFETY AND SUPERVISION BEFORE / DURING SCHOOL** – With some improved security measures in place this year, **all students needing to be dropped off as early as 7:00 am will be allowed in to school.** They will be **supervised in the Fellowship Hall until the 7:35 am bell**, at which time they can then proceed to their classrooms. Parents will be informed on Parent Orientation Night of our new visitor's policy and other security upgrades that will be implemented this year.

**SCHOOL OPENING SERVICES** – We will give thanks to the Lord for the blessings of another school year on **Sunday, August 19**, at the **8:00 and 10:30 am services**; all are invited! **Mrs. Knox, our new 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, will be installed that Sunday.**

**PARENT ORIENTATION & SPORTS MEETING** – **At least one parent from each school family is expected to attend** orientation on **Tuesday, August 21**, from **6:30-7:30 pm** in the **Fellowship Hall.** We will share some highlights and stress a few items of the year ahead. *Students are welcome but not required to attend; they may want to come put school supplies and books into their desks, etc.* Families may come as early as 5:30 pm to see the classrooms, complete forms, sign up for school year activities, etc.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL / BUSING** – Our 2018-19 school year begins on **Thursday, August 23**, at **7:50 am.** Since the Mequon-Thiensville School District begins their school year after we do, **special bus routes** will be used **during the opening days / week.** Information regarding bus schedules and special schedules will be available on Parent Orientation Night.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** – VBS will be held **July 23-26** from **9:00 am - noon** for **ages 3 through grade 6.**

May God bless your family in the summer days ahead. See you soon!

*Mr. Aswege*