

**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL**  
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**Welcome Back**

When I began my teaching career in 1968, I taught in Key West, FL. When the abbreviation for the state was Fla. I should have seen that as the handwriting on the wall of just how quickly time passes and things change. Cell phones, home computers, face book, on line shopping and a host of other things weren't even thought of. The passage of time and the changes we see are amazing.

These advancements have brought me many pleasant surprises over the years. My face book surprised me this summer with a student I taught 41 years ago. She shared that I made a huge positive impact on her life. She told me about the years in between and I was once again reminded of why I'm in education. As we go into the 2010-2011 school year I am excited about the advancements we will witness but even more I am excited about the impact students, teachers, parents and staff will have on each other. Perhaps one day you will hear from a voice in your past about an impact you made way back in 2010. My prayer for all of us is that we live out our "Fruit of the Spirit" theme so we make a positive impact on all we come in contact with. I missed you and welcome back.

*Mrs. Dunya Shaw*

**Earthquake Kits:** All students are required to have an earthquake kit in their classroom. Parents have the option of putting one together themselves (list of required contents listed on page 29 of the *Family Handbook*) or of purchasing one in the school office for \$11.00. The pre-assembled, kits for purchase will sustain life for 3 days and have a shelf life of 5 years. Also, all children must have a change of clothes to be kept at school in a labeled, gallon-size zip lock bag.

**Communication Folders**

A blue communication folder will go home weekly to every family on Thursdays. The purpose of the folder is to communicate important information between the school and it's families. All folders need to be returned to your child's teacher the next day after you receive it.

Please read all the information that comes home in a timely manner so that you are kept up-to-date on the current happenings at Our Savior's.

You will also receive email reminders to check the school's web site [www.oursaviorsschool.net](http://www.oursaviorsschool.net) when items like the bi-monthly newsletter, monthly calendar, etc. are newly posted. **This is the school's major means of communication with you.**

**Lost and Found**

**It is very important that you put your child's name on all articles of clothing, especially sweatshirts, sweaters, jackets and PE clothes. Names should also be put on lunch boxes and backpacks. If your child is missing something, please check the Lost and Found, which is located between rooms #5 and #6.**



## School Pictures

School Pictures will be taken on Monday, 9/13. Preschoolers who attend on Tuesdays and Thursdays will have their pictures taken on Tuesday, 10/5. make-up pictures will be taken on this day also. Elementary and junior kindergarten children are expected to wear their formal uniform for their school pictures. Please review the *school portrait* flyer for details.



If you haven't already done so, please make sure you stop by the school office and pick up your 2010/2011 Family Handbook, the annual school calendar, list of staff contact information, etc.

## Elementary Dismissal Times

The normal school day ends at **2:45** for Kindergarten and 1st grade and at **3:00** for 2nd-5th.

Early Dismissal (every Thursday) is **1:45** for Kindergarten and 1st grade and **2:00** for 2nd-5th.

Minimum Day (or 1/2 day) is **12:00** for all grades.

## Choice Lunch

The Children's Choice is now Choicelunch. They are committed to providing great tasting school lunches that are good for you. If you don't have an account already simply log on to [choicelunch.com](http://choicelunch.com) and use the registration code savior to create your account.



## Volunteer Service Hours

Parents, we need your help to make this school successful and we believe that parental involvement is vital to this end. We require each elementary family to commit to 40 hours of volunteer service and preschool families are required to provide 10 hours over the course of the year.

A book that lists the major volunteer opportunities is kept in the school office. Please feel free to stop by and take a look at it any time. Cindy Marangi, 366-9601, is the Service Hour Coordinator and has the responsibility of filling the volunteer vacancies.

**It is the responsibility of each family to log their completed service hours as they are completed. The service hour log is kept in the school office.**

Quarterly statements that indicate the number of hours each family has accumulated to date will be sent home through the classroom. Failure to meet the required number of hours by the end of the year will result in a fee of \$15.00/hour for elementary parents and \$10.00/hour for preschool families for every hour not volunteered.

## After-School Activities

**Mad Science** presents MOLECULE MANIA, a 6-week, 1-hour, science themed class. The program engages young minds with exciting hands-on activities, spectacular demonstrations and inquiry based discussions. The class will be held on Tuesdays, 3:00-4:00, beginning 9/21. You can register online at: [www.MadScience.org/SoOrangeCounty](http://www.MadScience.org/SoOrangeCounty) or call 949-582-5071.

**KIDART** will meet on Thursday afternoons from 2:00-3:30, beginning 9/16. This program is open to any child in 1st-5th grade. It explores traditional and new art and craft techniques that build self esteem and explore self expression. Sessions run 5 or 6 weeks and continue throughout the school year. Session #1 is **Drawing and Composition**. Check your communication folder for registration details.

**Back-to-School Nights**

Tuesday, 9/14-Elementary Grades (Kindergarten—5th), 6:30 pm

Tuesday, 9/21-Preschool Classes, 6:00 pm

These evenings are designed for parents to hear about the teacher's plans for the year and the grade level curriculum. **all children should be left at home**