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## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

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### Groundhog Day

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"Well, it's Groundhog Day... *again...*"

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I am sure that many of you have seen the movie "Groundhog Day" from 1993. In the movie, the main character, Phil Connors, is doomed to repeat the same day (Feb. 2) until he gets it correct.

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Everyone has wished to redo a few minutes from time to time, but I don't think anyone would enjoy doing a whole day over and over until we got it perfect. There is one thing we can all count on; that we will mess up. We are human and we are sinners.

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Romans 3:23-24 says, "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus." If we try to depend on our own works, we will fall flat on our face every time. Thankfully, we are forgiven and even if no one else forgets the huge mistake we made, God forgets!

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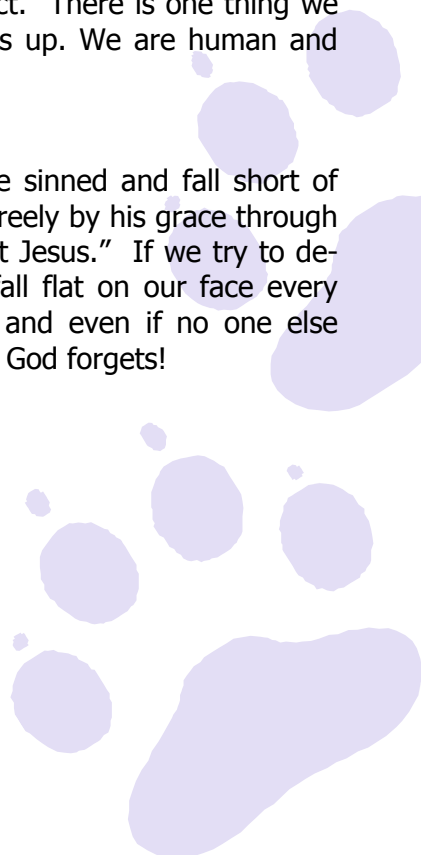
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Blessings!

Joel Palmreuter

#### **Mission Statement**

*Lutheran High School Parker will play a role in the development of each student's personal relationship with Jesus Christ, nurture them as redeemed children of God, and equip them in a safe environment to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world.*



## SCHOOL NEWS

### **Thank You!**

A very special thank you to all of our families who contributed to the Christmas gift for the staff. Your generosity and thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated by all our staff. We also thank those who brought cookies and other goodies for the staff to enjoy.

### **Snowy Weather**

Just a reminder that our snow delay schedule begins at 9:10 AM. You can get delay/closing information by watching Channels 2, 7, 9 or 31 or listening to KOA, 850 AM or KOSI, 101.1 FM. You can also call the school for a recording at 6:00 AM and an email will be sent by 6:15 AM.

### **Flu Season**

The flu season is here! **Please keep your students home if they are sick (especially with a fever!),** so we can try to keep the germs from spreading! Donations of antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer would be greatly appreciated to help fight the germs! **Thank you** to those who have already donated!!

### **PARENTS OF FRESHMEN:**

Lutheran High School-Parker strictly enforces immunization requirements as set by the State of Colorado. This year's freshman class has a shot requirement for their sophomore year. Your child is required to have a Tdap booster shot. Chances are your child has had this shot. If they have, please have documentation of it sent to the office. **This MUST be received by the first day of school their sophomore year, or they will not be able to attend school.** You may have your child bring in documentation or you may have your doctor's office fax it to us at 720-842-1015. If you have a personal or religious exemption to immunizations, you may sign the back of your child's immunization card. If they have a medical exemption for shots, your doctor needs to sign the back. Thanks for your cooperation. If you have any questions you may e-mail me at [uhligfamily@msn.com](mailto:uhligfamily@msn.com). Lisa Uhlig

### **Fun Raiser Update**

We had a huge increase in participation in December. Thank you to all of the families that helped by sending out letters. We have now raised just over \$30,000. 70% of this money will go toward tuition assistance and 30% for technology.

Thank you for all your hard work and support of Lutheran High School – Parker!!

### **Colorado Lutheran High School Association Auction**

CLHSA's 10th Annual Auction will be Sunday, March 7, 2010 at The Arvada Center. We are currently accepting donations and would love for anyone interested in helping solicit donations to please contact Shelley Stuerke at 303-274-1690 or by email at [johnstuerke@comcast.net](mailto:johnstuerke@comcast.net).

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR**  
**DENISE NOFFZE**  
**303 841 5551 ext. 2004**

**COLLEGE PLANNING**

**Transcript Requests**

Students who need a transcript sent to colleges should fill out a Transcript Request Form and give it to Ms. Noffze. Transcripts are now updated and include first semester grades.

**Seniors, check your college deadlines! Know your college and university deadline dates! Missed deadlines means missed acceptance or missed scholarship money. Mark the date on a calendar.**

**ACT and SAT Tests**

**Juniors** need to take either the ACT or SAT college exam to attend college. Applications are available online or in the guidance area.

<b>ACT</b>	April 10	Register by March 5
	June 12	Register by May 7
<b>SAT</b>	March 13	Register by February 4
	May 1	Register by March 25
	June 5	Register by April 29

**Practice ACT and SAT Tests** See website information: <http://www.lhsparker.org/inside/college.html>

**FAFSA**

**FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid.**

The federal government uses this form to determine your eligibility for financial aid. The Dept. of Education uses the Federal Methodology (FM) to calculate your aid eligibility. **ALL colleges require the FAFSA** form for financial aid. Most deadlines will be met if financial aid forms are mailed by mid February, but be **sure** to check with your college. If you have questions, call the Federal Student Aid Info Center at 1-800-433-3243. Also, check out web tips at: [www.finaid.org/nasfaa](http://www.finaid.org/nasfaa).

**Senior Guys**

It's the law that you must register with Selective Service at age 18. Registering means eligibility for college loans, Federal jobs and job training. Register early at age 17 and 3 mos. Register on-line at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)

**Juniors Only - College Visit Trip - March 24-27**

We will visit Northeastern Junior College, Hastings College, Creighton University, and Concordia University in Seward, NE. Reserve your spot by February 11. All junior parents should have received an email about this trip, so if you have questions, please contact Miss Noffze.

**Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen will meet with Ms Noffze during 2<sup>nd</sup> semester to discuss grades, college planning and visiting colleges, courses for next year, etc.**

**Juniors** will receive a list of courses they must take in order to graduate. Encourage your Junior to expand his/her horizons by taking a class at the Career Education Center, at community college, or by taking an online class (earn both high school and college credit). PSAT test results will be mailed with report cards.

**Sophomores** should plan to visit some colleges this summer. The PLAN test results will be mailed with report cards. This test gives the student possible career options, as well as practice for the ACT test in Junior year.

**Freshmen** EXPLORE test scores will also be mailed with report cards. This test gives a projected PLAN test score as well as possible career options and ACT test practice.

**ADMISSIONS DIRECTOR**  
**ABBIE DUITSMAN**  
**303 625 3660**

**SPREAD THE WORD...** We have a huge opportunity to share with others. LHSP is offering a **full 4-year scholarship** (tuition and fees included) to an 8th grader. Our goal is to get as many names into the drawing as possible. To qualify for the scholarship, the family must take a tour of the school and fill out a scholarship application. You can find the application online at [www.GrowinginHIM.org](http://www.GrowinginHIM.org) or in the school office. The drawing will be held at LHSP on Saturday, March 13th.

**Shadow Dates:**

Friday, February 5th  
Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>  
Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, April 14th

\*These are dates that we have set aside for students to come and shadow an LHSP student for a day or just a 1/2 day. If these dates do not work for your family we can find another time that will. The placement test (for incoming freshmen) can also be given on these days.\*

**8th Grade Placement Test Dates:**

Saturday, January 30th - 8:00am - 11:00am  
Thursday, March 4th - 4:00pm - 7:00pm (dinner will be provided)  
Saturday, April 24th - 8:00am - 11:00am

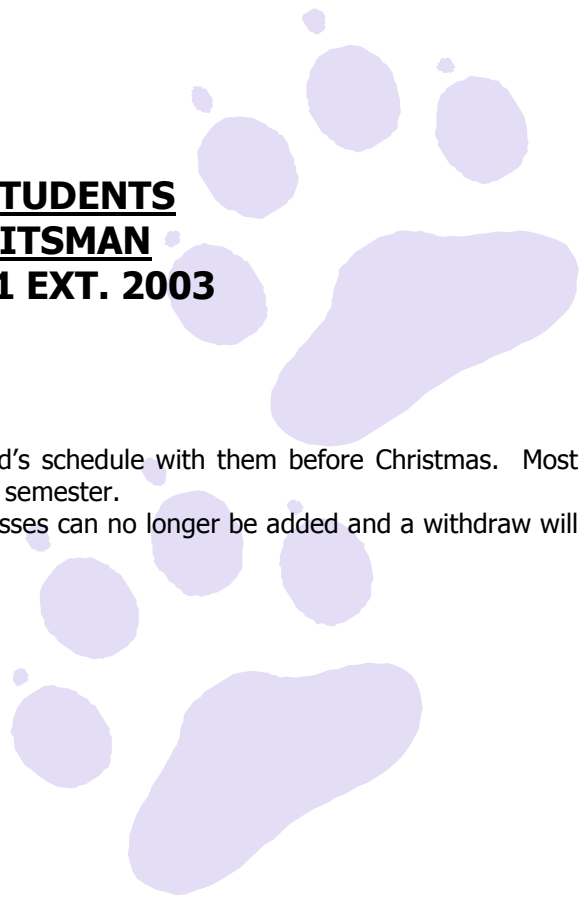
**\*Please RSVP to the school office at 303-841-5551. The cost of the test is \$20.\***

**DEAN OF STUDENTS**  
**MARK DUITSMAN**  
**303 841 5551 EXT. 2003**

**Schedule Changes**

Thank you for taking the time to review your child's schedule with them before Christmas. Most schedule changes took place before the end of first semester.

We are now to the point in the semester where classes can no longer be added and a withdraw will appear on transcripts for classes that are dropped.



**ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**  
**JASON BLOCK**  
**303 841 5551 ext. 2005**

**Spring Sports**

The spring sports parent/player meeting will be held in the flex room on Monday, February 8 at 7:00. All parents with children participating in a spring sport need to attend that meeting. Baseball, girls' soccer, and track will be offered again this spring. Off season workouts have begun in all of those sports. Please plan to attend this important meeting intended to open the lines of communication between players and coaches. If your son or daughter is planning on participating and does not have a current physical or permission form on file, then it needs to be done before the first official day of practice--**Monday, February 22.**

Please be aware that there is an overlap in the winter and spring regular seasons again this year! Please attend the meeting so communication can be shared with you about how this will be handled by your coaches.

**Basketball District Tournament**

Our basketball teams will now compete in the 2A District 7 Tournament after the completion of regular season play. District 7 is comprised of teams from our Mile High League. Our tournament seed is a direct result of our league play. The schedule is as follows: a preliminary pigtail game will be played on February 22, followed by the first round on Tuesday, February 23. These games will be played at the higher seeded team's school. The winners will then face off in the semifinals on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>, followed by the finals and third place games on Saturday, February 27. The final two rounds will be played at Erie High School. Tournament pairings will be announced when league play is completed. This year the top five teams will move on to the regional round which will be played on March 6-7 at a location to be determined by the results of the district tournament.

**Congratulations to:**

Colt Olson, 1<sup>st</sup> team all-state defensive back.  
Jordan Murphy, Honorable Mention all-state linebacker.  
Kendall Horan, Honorable Mention all-state cross country.  
Andrea Anders, for singing the National Anthem at the Stock Show Rodeo on January 19.

**ACT Dates**

Junior athletes (especially football players) are **STRONGLY** encouraged to take the ACT on June 12. The April 10 date has a baseball doubleheader, a soccer game, and a track meet scheduled. The October 23 date will be the homecoming football game.

## SPORTS PAGE

### BOYS BASKETBALL - COACH JOHN ADAM



**GAMES BEGIN** – The teams have passed the halfway point of the season and are picking up momentum. The Varsity team has gone 2-0 in their first league games and is looking to make a run in the district tournament later in February. The JV and C teams have seen progress and have posted some impressive victories of their own.

**UPCOMING EVENTS** – Parent’s Night was held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Senior Night will be on February 9<sup>th</sup> when the teams play host to Maranatha Christian. The Varsity game time is 7:30 and will honor the lone senior, Sparky Ranney.

**SPRING JAM BASKETBALL LEAGUE** – They boys basketball program will again be sponsoring teams to play in the spring JAM basketball league. Tryouts will be held on March 15 and 22.

**WEBSITE** – The boys basketball website is designed to be a dynamic experience for all visitors as well as a resource for all information regarding our program. For complete coverage of the boys basketball program including updated schedules, rosters, pictures, all-time records and more, go to [www.LHSParker.org/bball](http://www.LHSParker.org/bball).

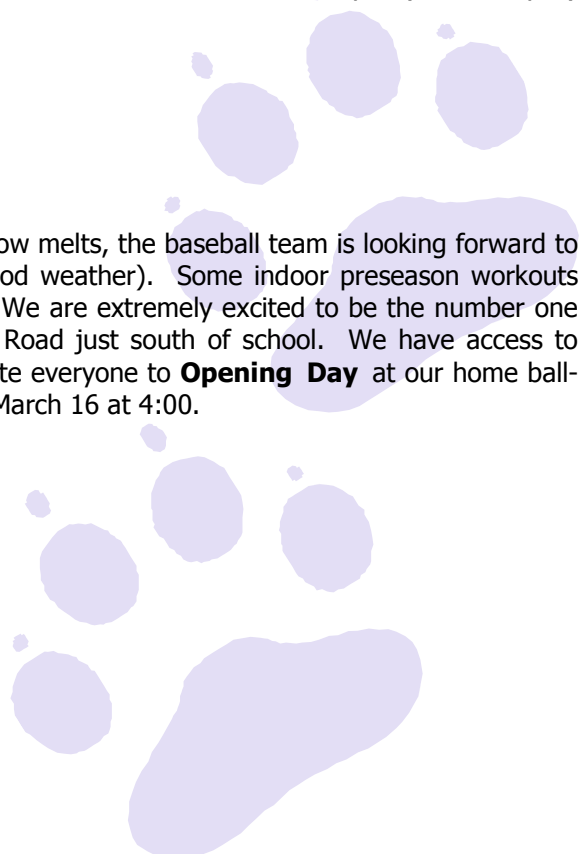
### LADY LIONS BASKETBALL - COACH MARK DUITSMAN

At the time of this writing, the Lady Lions are sitting with a 7-4 record. The team is very happy with the position they’re in considering the very difficult non-league schedule they faced. The Lady Lions are in the middle of League play right now, and have recorded some impressive victories in recent weeks. The biggest win of the season, though, would have to be the 38-29 upset over #1 Kiowa.

The Lady Lions are getting ready for a run at the post-season. We would love to see you (and hear you) at a game!

### BASEBALL - COACH JASON BLOCK

As the weather starts to warm up a little bit and the snow melts, the baseball team is looking forward to a fun and successful season (and hopefully lots of good weather). Some indoor preseason workouts were begun in preparation for the season in January. We are extremely excited to be the number one tenant of the Double Angel Ballpark on Newlin Gulch Road just south of school. We have access to these fields for all practices and home games. We invite everyone to **Opening Day** at our home ballpark as we take on Evangelical Christian on Thursday, March 16 at 4:00.



## **CALENDAR DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **Upcoming Dates To Remember!**

<b>Friday, February 5</b>	<b>Shadow Day</b>
<b>Monday, February 8</b>	<b>Late Start – Classes begin at 9:10 am</b>
<b>Monday, February 8</b>	<b>Spring Sports Meeting – 7 pm</b>
<b>Friday, February 12</b>	<b>No School – Presidents’ Day</b>
<b>Monday, February 15</b>	<b>No School – Presidents’ Day</b>
<b>Friday, February 19</b>	<b>Shadow Day</b>
<b>Saturday, February 20</b>	<b>Winter Dance – 8-11 pm</b>
<b>Monday, February 22</b>	<b>Spring Sports Practice Begins</b>
<b>Friday, February 26</b>	<b>Drama Production – 6 pm</b>

### **Mark Your Calendars!**

<b>Thursday, March 4</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Placement Test – 4-7 pm</b>
<b>Friday, March 5</b>	<b>Shadow Day</b>
<b>Friday, March 5</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ends</b>
<b>Sunday, March 7</b>	<b>Association Auction – Arvada Center – 4 pm</b>
<b>Monday, March 8</b>	<b>Late Start – Classes begin at 9:10 am</b>
<b>Tuesday, March 9</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Conferences – 3-7 pm</b>
<b>Thursday, March 18</b>	<b>No School – Nurturing the Faith Conference</b>
<b>Friday, March 19</b>	<b>No School</b>
<b>Mon, March 29-Fri, Apr 2</b>	<b>No School – Spring Break</b>

## **OTHER NEWS AND INFORMATION**

### **Items We Can Always Use!!**

We can always use Kleenex for our classrooms, plastic silverware, paper plates, napkins, and paper towels for the kitchen. Please bring any items you would like to donate to the office. Thank you to those who have already donated items !!!

### **Spirit Wear**

A variety of awesome spirit wear is available for purchase through Monograms By K & K. Samples of the current styles can be seen in the display cases at school. Order forms are available in the office or check out the link to Spirit Wear on the school website at [www.lhsparker.org](http://www.lhsparker.org). Support LHSP teams by wearing your spirit clothes!

### **Grocery Certificates**

Don't forget to stop by the office and purchase your grocery gift cards for King Soopers or Safeway. Cards are available in \$25 or \$50 denominations and our school receives 5% back. Last year \$3000 was raised through grocery certificate sales. Thank you to all who participate!

### **Scrip for Valentine's Day!!**

Do you give gift cards for **Valentine's Day**? Do you shop at Old Navy or Kohls for your **Valentine**? Do you take your **Valentine** to dinner at Chili's or Olive Garden? Do you go to the movies or rent them to watch at home with your **Valentine**?

Buy gift cards to your favorite stores/restaurants through LHS-Parker's "SCRIP" program. Our school will receive an automatic donation through your purchase.

#### **How does it work?**

- Select from the list of various merchants.
- Indicate the quantity and total for each merchant.
- Write a check for the total amount you are purchasing. (A credit card may be used for purchases of \$500 or more.)
- You will receive equal value in gift cards.
- Send your order in to the school office by Monday morning at 8:00 am, accompanied by a check, and you will receive your gift cards by Friday (after 2:30 pm) of the same week.

#### **How do we benefit as a school?**

- For each order placed by LHS-Parker, the merchant will send a percentage (indicated on the order form) of your gift card purchase to our school as a thank you.

**Order forms are available in the school office or on the school website.**

**Buy scrip on-line at [ShopWithScrip.com](http://ShopWithScrip.com)**