



# The Beacon

## ORANGE PARK - NEWSLETTER

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### A Sweet Thank You from the Director



Thank you to all our Lighthouse families and students who participated in the **Krispy Kreme Donut Fundraiser!** Your support, hard work, and enthusiasm made it a wonderful success. I am so proud of our students for showing responsibility, teamwork, and leadership. You are learning that your efforts matter and that working together makes a difference.

As **Galatians 6:9** reminds us, *“Let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”*

Keep shining and keep doing good!

With gratitude,  
Ms. Woods

### 26/27 OPEN ENROLLMENT

We are excited to announce that **Open Enrollment at Lighthouse Christian School begins March 1st!** Now is the perfect time for families to secure a spot for the upcoming school year.

We invite you to share the Lighthouse difference with your friends, neighbors, church family, and coworkers. Encourage them to attend our **Premier Night on Thursday, March 26th at 6:00 PM** to learn more about our school.

Help us spread the word – your invitation could make a lifelong difference for another family!

### THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSOR!



### SCHOOL HAPPENINGS!



### ALL ABOARD! AROUND THE WORLD DAY IS SETTING SAIL SOON!

Get ready to pack your bags—**Around the World Day** is going on a cruise! Our students are actively preparing for this exciting adventure as we “set sail” on **Friday, March 13th**, departing from Lighthouse Christian School. Each class is busy exploring their assigned country, creating displays, learning fun facts, and practicing presentations to share what they’ve discovered. Stay tuned for more details as our crew continues to prepare for this unforgettable Around the World Cruise experience.

**Project reports and tri-folds boards are due on March 4<sup>th</sup>.** The majority of the work should be done at home. On cruise day, students are invited to dress in an outfit that represents the country they have selected. Costumes do not need to be elaborate, many can be created using items already found at home! This is a wonderful opportunity for students to show creativity while demonstrating what they’ve learned about their country’s culture and traditions.



We kindly ask that families **do not purchase costumes from party supply stores.** The goal is to have fun, learn, and enjoy our journey together as we “travel” around the world.

We can’t wait to set sail and see the amazing countries our students will bring to life on this exciting adventure!

From the Desk of... *Pastor Larry*



Lent is a particular time in the year that we think deeply about our relationship with God. The 40 days of Lent are a remembrance of the trials and tribulations of Jesus, but also about his wonderful teachings and works that showed that he was (and is) the Son of God. This path, of course, leads to Easter, which is the Resurrection of our Christ, which showed God's power over death, and became a promise for our eternal life. But before we get there, we should learn as much as we can about Jesus' life, so that our connection to God can be stronger.

A large part of our discipleship centers on service for the Church and for our brothers and sisters in our community. Here at Advent Lutheran Church, we are dedicated to serving our community through many ministries, including partnering with Lighthouse Christian Schools, so that our children may receive a quality education and a deeper understanding of their faith. Like the Season of Lent, the path can be difficult. Like the Season of Lent, there is much to learn. Yet like the Season of Lent, at the end is the reward of a better life. Our children's education is important, because it will provide them with the skills that they need to better themselves in the world, or even to continue their learning in higher education. Your dedication to your children is so very important to this process. You are in partnership with Lighthouse, and with Advent, to ensure their success.

This Lent, let us all be reminded that Jesus taught us, endured suffering for us, and even died for us. Our commitment to our children's education is our response to the loving gift of Jesus. You are all invited to join us at Advent to learn more about who Jesus was, who Jesus is, how God works in and through us, and what we can do to live in gratitude of the free gift of grace. Worship with us Sundays at 8:00am (traditional) or 10:30am (contemporary), join in one of our ministries, or Friday Family Nights, or even just give me a call to talk. God bless you in your Lenten journey!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Larry Grunden

## SENIOR & STUDENT NEWS!

Senior's we are now **51 school days** away from graduation and its time to start preparing for your special events. Our Prom theme this year is **'Rockin' the night away, 80's style'**. Tickets will be \$30 in advance, \$35 the day of the event. Lighthouse students will get their normal discount as long as they use the promo code "lighthouse" at the time of purchase. All tickets must be purchased through **Murray Hill Theatre** website <https://murryhilltheatre.com> (Prom is **NOT** a part of your senior fees and must be purchased on the website). Our Prom is opened to all High School students 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

### ORDER YOUR YEARBOOKS NOW!

MAKE SURE YOU ORDER YOUR COPY OF OUR 2025/26 LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL YEARBOOK. COST IS \$45

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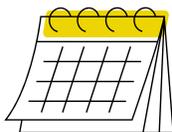


Tuition **NEWS** *yearbook*

Please see Mrs. Brecht for all tuition payments - check, money order or cash only. Payments are due at the beginning of the month by the 5<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions regarding your amount due, please call Mrs. Brecht in the office at 904-272-2524.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- OPEN ENROLLMENTS BEGINS MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>
- SPRING BREAK - MARCH 16-20<sup>TH</sup> NO SCHOOL
- MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup> END OF 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER
- PREMIER NIGHT - MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup> 6-7 PM ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH



### SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



## Christopher

Christopher is a creative and energetic student who loves drawing characters, playing video games, and socializing with friends. His imagination truly shines through his artwork, where he brings unique characters and ideas to life. Whether he's sketching or strategizing in a game, Christopher enjoys challenges that allow him to think creatively.

Looking ahead, Christopher has big goals! After graduation, he plans to attend a university and pursue a career in coding and developing video games. His dream is not only to create games that others can enjoy, but also to build a successful future, having a family and achieving financial success through hard work and dedication.

We are proud of Christopher's ambition, creativity, and determination. We can't wait to see the amazing things he will design in the future!