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School News

We're Baaaaack!

Back at it! It is always such a blessing to take a relaxing break away from the daily grind, but we are so happy to see everyone back at school! Prayers that you are having a smooth transition back to school! Remember to reach out to your child's teacher if you need anything at all!

Congratulations!!!!

A very special congratulations to Miss Lindsay and her future HUSBAND, Mr. Driesbach! Over the holidays, the happy couple got engaged! Prayers that God continue to bless and strengthen their relationship now and throughout their lives together! God's richest blessings to both of you!!!

Auction Update

Keep our silent auction on your radar!!! The event is taking place at Northern Quest on April 23. Tickets are \$60/person. Make sure to tell friends and family who may want to help support our school's expansion efforts as well! Tickets will go on sale sometime in February. All the latest information can be found [here](#).

If you are looking for ways to help, we are currently signing up for procuring items. Take a look at the list [here](#), but use it as a guide. If you have other donation ideas, please let me know!

Scrip

Check out our latest scrip cards on

hand by looking [online](#)! You can also order e cards if you prefer! Remember, scrip benefits both our school and you!

Apparel Orders

If you have an apparel order you have not picked up yet, please pay your balance and pick up your clothes from your child's teacher! Thank you!

MAP Testing

The elementary kiddos will be starting their second round of MAP testing next week! Please help them prepare by making sure they are well-fed and rested! Thanks!

January Calendar

While we are still getting into the swing of things, please be sure to check out the [calendar](#) once again for January to stay up to date!

Basketball

Due to the amount of teams that want to play basketball this year, we are going to join the A and B team together for games. As of right now, we have four basketball games scheduled. Hopefully we can add a few more before the season ends. The schedule currently is as follows:

January 13 at Summit at 2:30
January 18 vs. Lake City Academy at 4
January 25 at Summit at 2:30
February 15 at Lake City Academy at 4

Enrollment Coming Up!

Re-Enrollment will be here before we know it! We plan to begin enrollment for returning students on February 1. Registration fees are discounted for

1/7 Cleaning

Biebert/Taasaas/Boys: Yunin

Most/Rosenbaum/Girls: West

the first half of the month—until February 15—for returning students (\$0 for pre-school, \$75 for elementary). After February 15, enrollment opens for new students. Be sure to plan and enroll right away to reserve your child's spot in the classroom!

Upcoming Days Off

We have a half day next Friday, January 14, and no school the following Monday, January 17. Blessings on your extended weekend!

Moms & Muffins

Moms and Muffins will be here before we know it! This event is taking place on January 27. Please RSVP as soon as possible to Miss Rosenbaum if you have not yet done so!

DC Hot Lunch—RESCHEDULE

Due to the snow day yesterday, the DC hot lunch will be rescheduled for **next Thursday, January 13**.

Early Release - Friday, January 14
No School - Monday, January 17

Classroom News

Preschool News

Miss Donna Lindsay(509.638.5361)

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!! I pray that your Christmas break was filled with love, joy and beautiful memories.

We had a lot of fun this week in preschool. Our new theme these days is Winter . . . everything snow!! This week, our classes really enjoyed playing with shaving cream on the tables, making soap snowballs, easel painting a snowman and some of the classes even made a snowman mobile. Our classroom centers are also focused on Winter. In our Art Center, we have snow dough. How simple: baking soda and hair conditioner, but loads of fun molding and shaping the snow dough!! Our Sensory Center has white objects hidden in "snow" that the kids can search for. Our Math Center has a number matching game with dice and snowflakes. How much fun to be back at preschool with all of our friends and all of our activities!!

We have two new friends that have joined our preschool classes this week. Nate joined our 4's pm class and Remi joined our 3's pm class. Please take time to get to know these new kiddos and their families. What a blessing to still be enrolling children in the preschool!!

Next week, we will focus on letter "Nn". Four year old classes, please bring a show 'n' tell item that starts with "Nn".

Our Bible verse we will be learning is Psalm 91:11 "He will command his angels . . . to guard you."

Gray and White Day is next week Monday and Tuesday. Please have your child wear and/or bring something gray and white to school. Always a fun color day with a hide 'n' seek game.

A gentle reminder: if there is snow on the ground, we WILL be playing outside. Please provide proper snow clothes for your child (i.e. boots, hat, snow pants, mittens or gloves). I know it's a pain to pack all that stuff, but your child will have so much more fun if they are warm and dry. Feel free to also put slippers in your child's backpack. Wet boots are not fun to have on all day long.

Please, also, bring an empty cereal box to school sometime this month. We will be using it for a craft in February.

Have an amazing weekend with your family and stay healthy!!

Kindergarten News

Miss Rachel Taasaas (360.271.5201)

- Read 20 minutes each night with your child. They need to hear what a fluent reader sounds like as well as be reading to you. Add minutes to the Book it calendar. The January calendar was sent home on Monday.
- We have begun working on the -at word family (cat, rat, sat, mat, etc.)
- Practice these sight words at home: the, is, what, not, are, has, like
- In math we have been counting pennies. You can practice this at home as well.
- Growth Mindset Affirmation of the Week: I am a hard worker!

Memory Work

January 13 — God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Luke 18:13b

Moms and Muffins

If you haven't done so yet please return the Moms and Muffins form. We need to get a head count so we know how much to buy for our craft. If you don't have the form you can always write your RSVP on a piece of paper.

Singing in Church

Our class will be singing in church on Sunday, January 23 at the 10 am service. Please make sure your child is there to participate.

1st-2nd Grade News

Miss Erika Rosenbaum (269.326.5437)

Memory Work/Christlight

- 1/11 - Luke 11:28
- 1/13 - 2 Timothy 3:16
- Please read the Bible stories from this week with your child this weekend and sign and return the TEAL sheet.

1st Grade Homework

- Lightning Words (Theme 5-1) will be due January 13. Please make sure to be returning these or a free pass will be used.
- Purple Bookmark (Theme 4 Week 3) will be due January 10.
- Spelling test 1/13. We are working on sh, ch, wh, th words. Spelling words for next week: she, chin, fish, shell, much, chop, shoe, chair, why, this. Please work with your child to learn these words and how to use them in a sentence.
- Read 20 minutes a day. Make sure to be adding your minutes to the Book It calendar.

2nd Grade Homework

- Spelling test 1/13. We are working on suffixes (-ed, -ing, -er, -est) this week. Spelling words for next week: rained, locked, melted, reading, singing, jumping, longer, teacher, quicker, shortest, loudest, sweetest. Please work with your child to learn these words and how to use them in a sentence

- Read 20 minutes a day. Make sure to be adding your minutes to the Book It calendar.

Extra Notes

- Please remember to be sending your child with the proper utensils needed for his or her lunch as well as water bottles everyday.
- AR tests will still be taken every Friday, so make sure to have your child bring their pink log sheets if they have a test to take.
- We will be using the upstairs church entrance everyday for pickup and dropoff for the remainder of winter unless I notify you through remind!
- Throughout the remainder of the school year, we will be working on creating several different types of writing. The first one we will be taking a look at is descriptive writing. We will be taking 2-3 weeks on every unit. This will be new to a lot of the children, but I can't wait to see the writing they create each unit.
- Please send a separate bag of some sort for snow gear for your child. Some kids are bringing them in their backpack, but by the end of the day their gear is wet and we don't want to put it back into their backpack. Thank you!
- Next week, we will be taking our second round of map testing. Please remind your child it is important for them to take their time on these tests, so that we can see where they are in their learning and understanding of content.
- I pray you all had a wonderful and blessed Christmas celebration!

3rd-4th Grade News

Mrs. Michelle Most (832.212.9102)

Memory Work - Memory Work calendars were added to your child's binder. and ,if they wanted it an extra for at home, it was sent home on Monday. I do have a few extras if anyone still needs one.

Science - The students are learning about sound and light energy. The classroom piano and guitar helped us to understand a few of the properties of sound this week. It was quite fun and interesting.

Reading and Writing - Main characters, summarizing, and lessons learned oh my! The students have been reading different myths to find the characters, summarize it, and then find what we can learn from the myth. They are also beginning to write their informative essays about a Greek god or goddess. To top it all off, they will also be adding a myth in picture form to the paper mache vases they were working on in art class.

Social Studies - Unit 3 has begun and learning about how Washington became a territory then a state has proved interesting with pioneers, prospectors, gold rushes, and the Oregon Trail.

Extra Notes

- **Book-it** - January Book-it Calendars were sent home Monday. Pizza certificates for December's calendars should be coming home next week.
- **Moms and Muffins** - The forms for Moms and Muffins are due by tomorrow, Friday, January 7.
- **Reading at Home & A.R.** - Please encourage your child to be doing their 20 minutes of reading each night. If every child was doing this, then every child would be very close to hitting their A.R. goals for the quarter and only 7 students out of 20 are consistently reading and taking A.R. tests. I may have to change some things up for reading and homework items if I don't see any improvement.
- **Flashlight Friday** - As a class award for transitioning quickly and quietly, the third and fourth graders get to have a flashlight Friday celebration. Flashlight Friday will be on Friday, January 14. Each child can bring a pillow or stuffie, a blanket (will be used to make a tent from their desk), and a flashlight. I will also be providing a flashlight they will be able to use and keep. During Flashlight Friday, we will be reading and taking AR tests as books get finished.

Have a blessed week in the Lord!

5th-8th Grade News

Mr. Jacob Biebert (715.402.0094)

Welcome back everyone! I hope your first week back was a success. The weather certainly made things interesting. Hopefully it was nice for your children to get a day off school as they try and transition back into full weeks of school after the long Christmas break. We now make the second half push to the end of the year already.

Here is next week's memory work:

Monday: 1/10-2 Timothy 3:15, 2 Timothy 4:18a; Tuesday: 1/11-2nd Article up to suffering and death; Friday: 1/14-1 Peter 5:8

The 5-6th graders started working on a map study for the Midwest region this week. They will take a test on these states, capitals, and physical features next Thursday.

The 7th-8th has been studying how perspective played an important hand in the Walla Walla Treaty Council and in the reasoning for which sides different groups took through the treaty process. We realized that humans are typically selfish and will do things to better themselves without often thinking of others. We will continue this study next week.

We reviewed a lot of concepts with metric measurements this week. We also did some practice converting metric and standard temperatures as well as found capacity two different ways. Next week we will be making a brownie recipe by converting all the ingredients to metric measurements.

I pray you have a blessed weekend and can manage to stay safe driving around the unpredictable Spokane roads. I look forward to seeing you all again next week! God Bless!

Just Like He Promised

As a father, I want to give my kids the world. I want to take them places and give them memorable experiences. There have been times when in my excitement to bless my kids, I make promises to them that I can't keep.

Did your parents ever do something similar to you? Did they ever over-promise and under-deliver?

Our Heavenly Father made a promise to the first Hebrew, Abraham, 2000 years before Jesus was born. He promised to turn Abraham's descendants into a great nation that would bless the world. The Lord God confirmed that promise with an oath, called a covenant, which means that he was committing himself to keep this promise.

But for most of Israel's history, it seemed like the heavenly Father was acting like earthly fathers. He seemed to be breaking his promise to his people. Instead of being a great people, they were a small, harassed group with little prestige or honor among the nations.

But then Jesus, a descendant of Abraham, was born. After he lived, died, and rose on behalf of us all, people from all nations put their faith in him. They were baptized and became children of God. And in that way, believers from all over the world have become "descendants of Abraham." The oath that God swore to Abraham has come true!

Our Heavenly Father is not like earthly fathers. He always keeps his promises. So, you can be sure he will keep all his promises to you.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, thank you for being faithful to all of your promises. Amen.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty; walk before me faithfully and be blameless. Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers." Abram fell facedown, and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations. No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations."

Genesis 17:1-5