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The Timber Times
October 15, 2020

School News

Mission Offering

Last week's offerings were \$22.74, and today we gave \$41.24 which means we have surpassed our goal!!! So far, we have given \$326.06 in offerings, and we still have one more chapel to go before quarter one is over! Way to go, Mighty Timbers!!!

PreK Hidden Acres Field Trip

Last week preschool took a trip to Hidden Acres up on Green Bluff! Everyone who went had a wonderful time! The owners at Hidden Acres were also so appreciative of the support and business we offered them during this time. Thank you to everyone who helped make this awesome field trip happen!!! You can see some pictures on the next page.

Extra Sweatshirt

We have an extra youth medium sweatshirt from our school store! It is a BRAND NEW green sweatshirt! Cost is \$27. Come pick it up in the office if you would like it!

Spirit Week

Spirit Week has been such a fun week for us here at St. Matt's! Take a look at the next page to get a glimpse into the fun!

Camping Weekend

Don't forget: next week is our church and school camping outing! Please join us October 22-25! We will be staying at Beaver Lodge Re-

sort and Campground! They have RV and tent sites, as well as cabins available for rent! Please call Beaver Lodge at (509)684-5657 to reserve your spot! Make sure to let them know you are with St. Matthew. You can view the flyer with pricing and more info [here](#), and RSVP with us [here](#).

Baby Pictures!

Hannah Benson guessed last week's baby—Vivian Lee! Check out page five to guess the next baby!

Student Interviews

Karalina Van Horne is our student of the week this week. Check out page six to learn a little more about her!

Box Tops Correction

Box Tops should be turned in by next Tuesday, October 20—we will not be in school on October 23!

Covid Reminder

Please remember to take extra precautions if you think you may have been exposed to Covid. If you or someone in your family is being tested, please keep the entire family home until results are in. Thank you for your cooperation!

Warm Jackets!

So sad to admit it, but there was frost on my lawn this morning :(Winter is fast approaching, so please remember that we still go outside, despite the chilly temperatures! Your children will need a jacket for recess in order to stay comfortable outside. Please

10/16 Cleaning

Upstairs: Martin

Downstairs: Diaz

Upcoming Dates

October

12-16 SPIRIT WEEK!
15 Soccer Practice 3:45-4:45PM
20 Soccer Practice 3:45-4:45PM
21-23 **NO SCHOOL—FALL CONF.**
22-25 St. Matthew Camping Outing
27 Soccer Practice 3:45-4:45PM
29 Soccer Practice 3:45-4:45PM
30 BookIt! Calendars Due

make sure your children are dressed appropriately.

Spanish

There will periodically be items sent home from Spanish class. Many of them will just be things for you to see what we are working on and a chance for your child to "show-off" what they've been working on during class. They do not need to be returned. If they ever have to be handed back in, I will attach a note specifically stating what needs to happen before being brought back to school.



Make sure to RSVP for the camping trip next week!

TOMORROW - CLASS COLOR DAY

K: Red

1: Black

2: Green

3: Orange

4: Pink

5: Purple

6: Yellow

7: Turquoise

8: Light Blue

HIDDEN ACRES FIELD TRIP



SPIRIT WEEK 2020



Classroom News

Preschool News

Miss Donna Lindsay(509.638.5361)

More of a "normal" week this week, but still so much fun!! No picture day, no field trips, no color days, but a new theme and new centers!!

Our new theme this week is Hibernation/Migration. Our centers just scream sleeping and flying!! We have a Bear Cave in our Drama Center so the children can pretend to "hibernate" like bears, real bird nests in our Science Center that the children can examine with magnifying glasses, and colored "bear caves" in our Math Center that the children can sort bears in the matching colored bear caves.

We had fun making fall windsocks, creating turn-around birds with feathers and water-coloring birds that are migrating to a warmer place.

Thank you to the parents that helped out while I evaluated the four-year old children this week. You are SO amazing!! I SO appreciate you!! I can't do what I want to do without YOU!!

Please check out the pictures from our pumpkin patch field trip last week!! We had a fantastic time and God gave us two beautiful sunny days!!

We have a short week of school next week – only Monday and Tuesday.

All four year olds, please bring your show 'n' tell on Tuesday. We will get to everyone!! We will be reviewing letters "A-E". Bring an item that begins with any letter from A through E.

Our bible verse next week is "Forgive as the Lord forgave you." Colossians 3:13.

Have an absolutely fantastic time with your family this next week. God's blessings to all of you!

K-1st Grade News

Miss Rachel Taasaas(360.271.5201)

Homework

Kindergarten

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day. Fill in your time on your Book it! calendar.
- Practice Memory Work for October 29.
- We are working on reading and spelling color words. You can always help your child practice at home for additional support.
- Your child needs to be able to zip their own coat. Please practice with your child.

First grade

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day. Fill in your time on your Book it! calendar.
- Practice Memory Work for October 29.
- Lightning Words are due October 16. I will not send Lightning Words home in your child's yellow folder tomorrow due to the fact it is a 2 day week next week.
- Reading books will go home tomorrow. Please have your child read their stories to you once or twice over the weekend. Sign their bookmark and make sure they return it on Monday, October 19 for full credit.
- Doubles fact cards will go home tomorrow. Please help your child study them and bring them back in your child's yellow folder on Monday, October 19. When they are practicing their fact cards they need to say the math fact as well as the answer. For example $5+5=10$, don't allow them to only say the answer.

Memory Work for October 29:

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

Hand sanitizer

Please check your child's hand sanitizer and fill it up if it is running low. A helpful tip is to take it home on Fridays (or maybe every other Friday, depending on how big the bottle is) and refill it and bring it back on Monday.

Recess

As the weather begins to turn please remember that your child needs a coat at recess. It would be helpful if you write your child's name on the inside of their coat so there aren't any mixups.

During the winter we will have recess but your child will need snow pants, snow boots, gloves and a coat. It might be helpful to start practicing putting all of these things on because they will have to do it on their own. I cannot put 22 snow pants, boots, coats and gloves on 22 children.

2nd-4th Grade News

Mrs. Michelle Most (832.212.9102)

It has been such a fun week seeing the children in their Spirit Week dress up gear!

Word of God - This week we have been learning about Jacob and Laban. The theme is "Sinful self-reliance needs to be changed to reliance on God." Our hymn for the week, #200/201 - "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." They really sing with their whole hearts on this one!

Memory Work - Fridays are always the big day for memory work, as those are the days a part of the small catechism is to be said. Please check in with your child to see how they are doing learning those pieces.

Math - Congratulations to Hannah K. for passing her addition facts this week!! Please continue to work on math facts of addition and subtraction at home either with flashcards or Xtramath.

Social Studies - We have begun our Unit on "Martin Luther: A Man Who Changed the World." They are working on note-taking as we learn about him. They are really enjoying it thus far.

Science - This week we are focusing on the three types of rocks and the rock cycle. They are really rockin' it too!

Reading/Phonics - Third and fourth grade have been working on visualizing what they are reading about in their books. I love seeing their creativeness with their drawings. The 3rd graders really enjoyed their book, Stone Fox, and were surprised the book ended as it did.

English/Writing - We are learning about the proper placement of commas in a series and in dates. This week we are working on the writing process learning about editing, revising, and publishing with our descriptive paragraphs about, "My Fish," which can be a real or imaginary fish.

Spelling - The whole class got their new words for this week. Last night was our first take home spelling assignment with the Speed Sort. If you need more assistance on knowing what you can do to help, please don't hesitate to ask.

EXTRA NOTES

Please remember to check your child's assignment notebook/planner to see that all their homework has been completed. If so, please just sign anywhere on that date so I know, you know all is getting done. It just helps with home and school communication. Thank you do all of you who are already doing this!

Don't forget to record those minutes!!! Remember that daily reading is part of your child's homework and those minutes count towards the minutes for Book-it. Please have your child work on reading aloud to you to gain fluency, but also read to your child, as they need to hear what a fluent reading sounds like.

Have a blessed week in the Lord!

5th-8th Grade News

Mr. Jacob Biebert (715.402.0094)

What a fun week! It is always great to see the kids dress up for all the fun Spirit Week days! It is always a little chaotic, but always fun!

Here is next week's memory work:

Monday (10/19): Matthew 11:28, Matthew 28:20b, John 14:19b, 1 Peter 5:7; Tuesday (10/13): 2nd Article up to "is my Lord";

The 7-8th grade history class has started studying the shift in lifestyle from the middle of the Medieval ages into the Renaissance. We will continue this study next week as we look at art and music of the Renaissance. So far, we have seen how their focus on humanism has both good and bad traits.

The 5-6th grade history class has been historians all week as they brought in examples of different tools that historians use to study the past. However, the past that they were studying was their own families past! It was fun to hear some of the oral traditions that the students shared. I guess I never knew that music in the 80s was so angry! We are getting close to a test, but we will probably need to wait till after the break.

One of the big takeaways from science class this week, other than me finding out that my solar paneled car wasn't quite as fast as I thought it was, was that technology can give us knowledge, but it doesn't necessarily give us true wisdom. We will in such a technological world, but yet we still don't have all the answers. Our use of technology is really what displays true wisdom. Even more than our use of technology is our understanding of God that brings us true wisdom.

Don't forget that next week is a short week. We only have two days to cram all that there is to learn. It sounds like many of you will be coming up camping!!! Very exciting!! I will see you all there!

God's Blessings on your weekend!!!

GUESS THAT BABY!



VIVIAN LEE



TAKE A GUESS
AT THE NEXT
BABY BELOW!

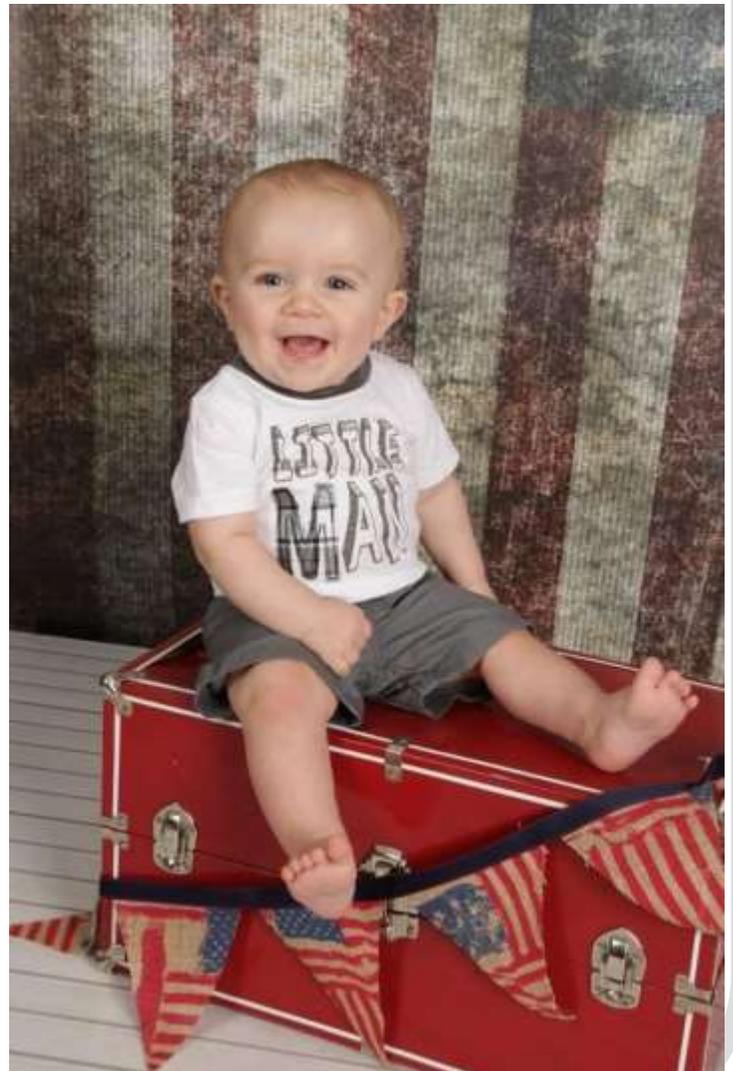


Take a guess as to which student this is!

First person to correctly guess will win a prize!

Must tell Mrs. Biebert in the office to be eligible for prize

Students cannot guess themselves



STUDENT INTERVIEW

Name / Grade: Karalina Van Horne / Grade 6

Favorite food?

Enchiladas

Favorite hobbies?

Reading, Playing with my pets.

If you could go anywhere, where would you go? Why?

Australia because I love the animals there.

What job will you have as an adult?

Zoologist

What do you love most about school?

Math and Science

Who do you admire? Why?

My mom because she is such a hard worker and she's funny.

What is your favorite bible passage?

Philippians 4:13—"I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength."



Weekly Message

Pay it Forward

You have heard of “paying it forward,” haven’t you? You respond to a kind deed done for you—maybe even by a total stranger—by doing something kind for someone else. Maybe you pay for the meal of the person in the drive-thru behind you. Without being asked, you shovel a neighbor’s sidewalk or rake their leaves.

Jesus showed us the ultimate kindness. He didn’t owe us anything. We didn’t deserve his mercy. We weren’t worthy of his time and attention. And yet, he showed us kindness and love, not by paying for our coffee or cheeseburger, but by paying for our souls. Not by doing a job, we didn’t have the time or strength to do, but by doing a job we could never have done for ourselves.

It was the ultimate act of humble service when Jesus, the Son of God, became a human being to live and die for human beings. It was the ultimate sacrifice of love when Jesus, a holy God, suffered, and died to pay for the debt of guilt that we accumulated. He didn’t put himself first. He put us first. What a gift! What humble

and unexpected love!

Now the Bible urges us to act on that love. We can’t pay off our debt to God—we don’t have to; Jesus already did—but we can pay forward the love we have been shown by loving others. We can, like Jesus, humbly value others above ourselves. We can put the interests of others ahead of our own.

And when our love for others reflects Jesus’ love for us, we share a gift far greater than a free meal or an hour of time. We share a love that points people to the one who invites forgiven sinners to feast with him in eternity in heaven.

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, . . . then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

Philippians 2:1-4

Prayer:

Jesus, you humbled yourself to show me undeserved love. Help me reflect your selfless love to those around me. Amen.