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School News

Mission Offering

Our first quarter offering totals are in: we have given \$556.46! Thank you for much for all your generous giving for "Blessing Bags" this quarter! We will announce where our second quarter offerings are going soon! So far, we already have given \$48.82 in offerings for second quarter!

Tent or Treat—Thank You

I cannot thank everyone enough for all the time and effort you put in to make Tent or Treat a successful event!!! What an amazing time had by all!

We also have some winners to announce! Best costume: Lucas Rob-erg; Best Booth: #7 (Lee/Perry Booth); Best Class Booth: Grades 1-2. 1st-2nd Grade will be getting a movie/popcorn afternoon for their prize! Time TBD by Miss Rosen- baum!

Veterans Day Video

The kids have submitted all their pictures and songs and Miss Rosen- baum is putting a video together! It should be ready for viewing at the special chapel service on Wednes- day, November 10 at 9:00AM. Please join us for this service to hon- or our veterans!

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Thank you all for taking the time to meet with your child's teacher this week! It has been wonderful getting to chat with each of you! We pray that you are able to see continued growth in your child the entire year! Remember, you can reach out to any teacher at any time if you need any

help!

No School

Reminder that there will be no school next Thursday-Friday for Veterans Day and Teacher In-Service. Please plan accordingly!

November BookIt! Calendars

Your child should have received a cal- endar for BookIt! for November. Please continue to fill out these sheets to get your free monthly pizza!

Call Decision

Mr. Biebert has decided to return the call to Belle Plaine, MN and continue his ministry at St. Matthew! We pray that God continues to bless the work here at St. Matt's. Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers during this time of deliberation!

St. Matthew Merch

How can you say no to a good merch sale??? St. Matthew will be selling limited Mighty Timbers items—please go view them online [here!](#) Paper order forms are available in the office. All orders need to be placed by November 23!

November Calendar

Our monthly calendar for November is available for viewing [here](#). Can you believe Thanksgiving is coming so quickly?!?!?

Soccer

Soccer has officially come to an end. Thank you to all the athletes for putting in the work to be part of the team. Thank you to Coach Cameron Ferre

11/5 Cleaning

Biebert/Taasaas/Boys: Yunin

Most/Rosenbaum/Girls: Tumlinson

Upcoming Dates

November

- 1-4 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 10 Veterans Day Chapel 9AM
- 11 **NO SCHOOL—VETERANS DAY**
- 12 **NO SCHOOL—TEACHER IN-SERVICE**
- 18 **NO PM4 Preschool**
- 23 Apparel Orders Due
- 24-25 **NO SCHOOL—THANKSGIVING!**

for giving up time for every practice and game. Lastly, thank you parents for driving your child to each game and allowing your child to participate in soccer. We are hop- ing to get together an end of the year party where the athletes will play against their parents. We don't have a date set yet, but when we do you will be notified. The ath- letes will need to return their uniform to Miss Rosenbaum by Wednesday, Novem- ber 10 at the latest.

Basketball

As soccer is coming to an end, the next sport to begin is basketball. There will be sign up sheets in Mrs. Most's and Mr. Biebert's classroom. If your child is inter- ested in playing basketball, please have them add his/her name to the interest sheet in his/her teacher's classroom. Prac- tices will be held every Tuesday and Thursday.

Job Opportunity??

Jordan Roth is looking for someone to fill a part-time position in the nursery room at her church SFNAZ. If you are 18 or older, have experience with babies, and are look- ing for a flexible job, please speak with Jordan (509)991-3488!

NO SCHOOL NEXT THURSDAY-FRIDAY NOVEMBER 11-12

Classroom News

Preschool News

Miss Donna Lindsay(509.638.5361)

What an amazing new week we are having in preschool!! Our theme for the entire month of November is Thanksgiving. The centers are focused on Pilgrims, Indians and giving thanks. The Listening Center has the book, Over the River. Our Drama Center now has a teepee that the children get to play in. The Sensory Center has cranberries floating in water that the children can scoop out with slotted spoons and pour back in the water. Fun to have water in a center now!! This week, the preschool classes have been painting Indian vests, making Indian headbands and creating Indian necklaces – all in preparation for our Thanksgiving Feast near the end of the month. Some of the classes even got their feet painted!! What tickly fun!!

In the next week or so, please watch for a sign up sheet for our Thanksgiving Feast. We will need a few items to make Stone Soup, pumpkin bread, cornbread and pumpkin pudding. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Next week, we will be focusing on letter “H”. Four year old classes, please bring an item for show ‘n’ tell that begins with “H”.

We will be memorizing the Fourth Petition of the Lord’s Prayer, “Give us today our daily bread.”

Our Christmas program practice has already begun!! Look for the words and motions to “Away in a Manger” and please practice this with your child. Time is ticking and I am panicking already!!

Have a fantastic weekend with your family!! God’s blessings on your safety and your health.

Kindergarten News

Miss Rachel Taasaas(360.271.5201)

Homework

- 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
- Reading and writing color and number words.
- Growth mindset affirmation of the week: **Some things might take me longer and that’s ok**

Book it

- I did not get many calendars back. Please remember this is part of your child’s homework, it is not optional.

Microwave

- You may send food with your child to heat up in the microwave for lunch. Please make sure it is a quick warm up (30-45 second). Fish and shrimp are not allowed to be heated up in the microwave.

1st-2nd Grade News

Miss Erika Rosenbaum(269.326.5437)

Memory Work/Christlight

- November 9 - Matthew 7:7

Please read the Bible stories from this week with your child this weekend and sign and return the TEAL sheet. Please make sure this is remaining in their PINK label folder as they will be receiving a grade for it at the end of the second quarter.

1st Grade Homework

- No spelling next week due to the short week.
- Lightning Words (Theme 3-2) due November 15. Make sure these are being returned or a free pass will be used.
- The purple bookmark is due November 8. It is good to double check that your child has their reading book in their backpack every Friday.
- Math facts: they have been working on their doubles to 9 facts (1+1...9+9) Please work on these at home with your child. They will bring flashcards home on Friday.

Read 20 minutes a day. Please make sure to be reading every night as it helps your child be able to succeed in school! Make sure to be adding your minutes to the Book It calendar.

2nd Grade Homework

- No spelling next week due to the short week!
- Math facts: they have been working on their addition facts for sums of 8 and 9 (2+6; 2+7; etc.) and also their doubles plus 1 facts (7+8; 3+4; etc). Please work on these with your child at home. They will bring flashcards home on Friday.

Read 20 minutes a day. Please make sure to be reading every night as it helps your child be able to succeed in school! Make sure to be adding your minutes to the Book It calendar.

Extra Notes

- We are doing a Cantata for the Christmas program. Be on the lookout for memory work to be changing in order to learn the songs for the Christmas program.
- Keep track of the books your child is completing every week by adding it to the AR log sheet in your child's PINK label folder. He/she will be able to take an AR test on it at school when there is a chance.
- As it is getting colder every morning, it is very important that your child has a jacket with them every day in order to go out to recess.

The November Book-It! Calendar will be going home tomorrow. We encourage you to fill this out everyday, especially since your child should be reading 20 minutes a day.

3rd-4th Grade News

Mrs. Michelle Most (832.212.9102)

Memory Work - Memory Work calendars were sent home on Monday/Tuesday. Please look ahead to next week as some changes were made on the dates verses are due.

Reading - This week the class has begun learning about the Greek gods and goddesses. They will also be looking at different myths to learn where allusions come from in writing. The students will also be doing some research on a specific character in Greek myths and filling out a trifold about the character they have chosen. Plus, they get to tie art and reading class together as they will be making a Greek vase in art and then decorating it with a specific myth!

Extra Notes

- **Tent or Treat** - Thank you for all your help with building our Minecraft tent for Tent or Treat! We all had a great time!
- **November Book-it Calendars** - November Book-it Calendars went home with your child on Monday or Tuesday (depending on if they were in soccer or not.) If it works for you and your child, please keep the calendar in their binder. I'd like to try to encourage your child to be doing their best, plus it will go along with the A.R. paper you received/will be receiving at parent/teacher conferences. October pizza certificates will be handed out tomorrow.
- **Book orders** are due tomorrow, especially if we want to receive the books back before Christmas break.
- **Jackets** - Please remember to send your child to school with a coat, jacket, or sweatshirt for the colder recesses. Thanks!

Have a blessed week in the Lord!

5th-8th Grade News

Mr. Jacob Biebert (715.402.0094)

Did your 5-6th grade student give you a hug? Was it at least an awkward 10 seconds? We have been discussing how God preserves his creation in Catechism class. This has led us to be thankful of one of the greatest ways that God preserves his creation.....through you, parents! Thanks for all you do to bring your children up in the training and instruction of the Lord. You deserve at least a 15 second hug, but a 10 second one will have to do.

Here is next week's memory work:

Wednesday: 11/10-Psalm 91:11;

The 5-6th grader history class will be taking a test on their regions, climates, and resources of the United States chapter next week Thursday. Study guides will be sent home on Monday to begin helping them study. We will be reviewing as a class on Wednesday before the test.

The 7th-8th grade is going to be transitioning into our next unit of Washington State History. We will be looking at the Walla Walla Treaty Council for the next few weeks.

The 5-8 grade science class is creating just one more plane. They are now masters of the basic parts of the plane and what they do. So, their latest creation will be one that they can tell what to do, and it will do it. How do I know? I don't exactly, but we have been covering what different adjustments do to planes. So, if the students want their plane to rise, turn, dive, or do a triple sow cow, then they know exactly what to do.

Thanks for taking the time to meet with me this week. I know it can be a hassle to have one more meeting, when you probably just want to be home in your snuggly with a glass of bubbly. I am very excited to see how your children continue to progress throughout the year. Please let me know if any questions arise along the way.

Also, don't forget that we only have school on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday this week. Enjoy your weekend and enjoy your shortened week. God Bless!

Weekly Message

The Bigger Picture

Sometimes we get too caught up in life's day-to-day hassles. We don't keep an eye on the bigger picture.

The Bible teaches us, "Set your minds on things above, not only earthly things." What we see in this world is transitory. It's passing away. But what God promises to us in Jesus endures forever. In many ways, real life doesn't begin until we finally see Jesus with our eyes.

Until then, the Christian life is lived under the cross. In other words, Christians expect to endure hatred and persecution when they remain faithful to Jesus and his Word. It's no surprise. The Bible says, "Many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things" (Philippians 3:18,19).

But Christians keep an eye on the bigger picture.

That's what Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego did when they were facing the

burning anger of King Nebuchadnezzar. While they were convinced that God would save them from the fiery furnace of the king's fury, they were also prepared if God chose not to spare them in that moment. Indeed, they believed wholeheartedly, "the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."

Even when it may seem like the world defeats God's people, God's people keep an eye on the bigger picture. In the end, God wins forever, and he shares the spoils of his eternal victory with those who trust him, no matter what.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, help me to understand and trust that I will be victorious in you forever. Amen.

"If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."

Daniel 3:17,18