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The Timber Times
February 14, 2019

School News

Mission Offering

We are continuing to go over the topic of "goodness." Over the next several weeks we will begin to dive deeper into what goodness is, how Jesus displays his goodness, and what we can do to show goodness to others.

Snow Days

With the crazy weather we have had this week comes time away from school! We hope you enjoyed your impromptu day off school, and praise God that we haven't heard of yet of any weather related accidents from any of our St. Matthew family.

RE-ENROLLMENT

Please remember that re-enrollment for St. Matthew families is now open. Enrolling now means savings for you as well: preschool registration is free, and elementary registration is \$75! **This deal only lasts until March 1.** Please speak with Mr. Biebert (715)402-0094 if you have any questions at all!

Basketball

We are in the final stretch of our basketball season! One regular season game left to play this afternoon against Southside B! Tournament play is on Monday, February 18. Please see Mrs. O'Haver or Mr.

Biebert if you would like a schedule for the basketball tournament! Please come support your Mighty Timber basketball team!!!

Scholastic Book Fair

Please remember to see Miss Taa-saas or Miss Lindsay if you are willing and able to help out with the book fair! And don't forget: the book fair will be held in just over a week! The dates are February 25-March 1!

Box Tops: Preschool vs. Elementary School

This week's count:
Preschool: 154
Elementary School: 83

Still a ways to go, grade school, BUT getting closer!!!

Silverwood's Read2Ride:

DEADLINE CHANGE

Please do not forget: Any Read2Ride tally sheets are now due by **NEXT FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22!** If you have questions, please speak with Mrs. Biebert (715)402-0114.

No School Reminder

We have a short week next week! No school on Monday for President's

Upcoming Dates

January

- 13 Basketball @ Southside B 3:45PM
- 18 **NO SCHOOL—President's Day**
- 18 Basketball Tournament TBD
- 18 Bible Basics, 6:45PM
- 19 **NO SCHOOL—Teacher In-Service**
- 20 Spiritual Growth, 6:30PM
- 20 10:30-11:15AM PreK Visits K-1
- 20 2:30-3:15PM PreK Visits K-1
- 24 Grades 5-8 Sing 10:00AM
- 25-1 Scholastic Book Fair Week!**
- 25 Bible Basics, 6:45PM
- 27 Spiritual Growth, 6:30PM
- 28 Book Fair Night 5:30-6:30PM

Day, and Tuesday the teachers have an in-service. Enjoy your long weekend!

Four Weeks of Spiritual Growth

There are still two weeks of Spiritual Growth you can attend if you wish. Classes are held Wednesday nights at 6:30PM. Please speak with Pastor West (509)217-9617 if you have any questions!

Mighty Timber

Ginger was the sleuth who detected MT Jr. this past week! Check out the picture to see where he was hidden. Because of the inclement weather, Mighty Timber has decided to lay low for a week. He will be back at hiding next week!

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NO SCHOOL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19



2/15 Cleaning

Upstairs: McLaughlin

Downstairs: McLaughlin

General School News – Continued

Valentine's by Candlelight

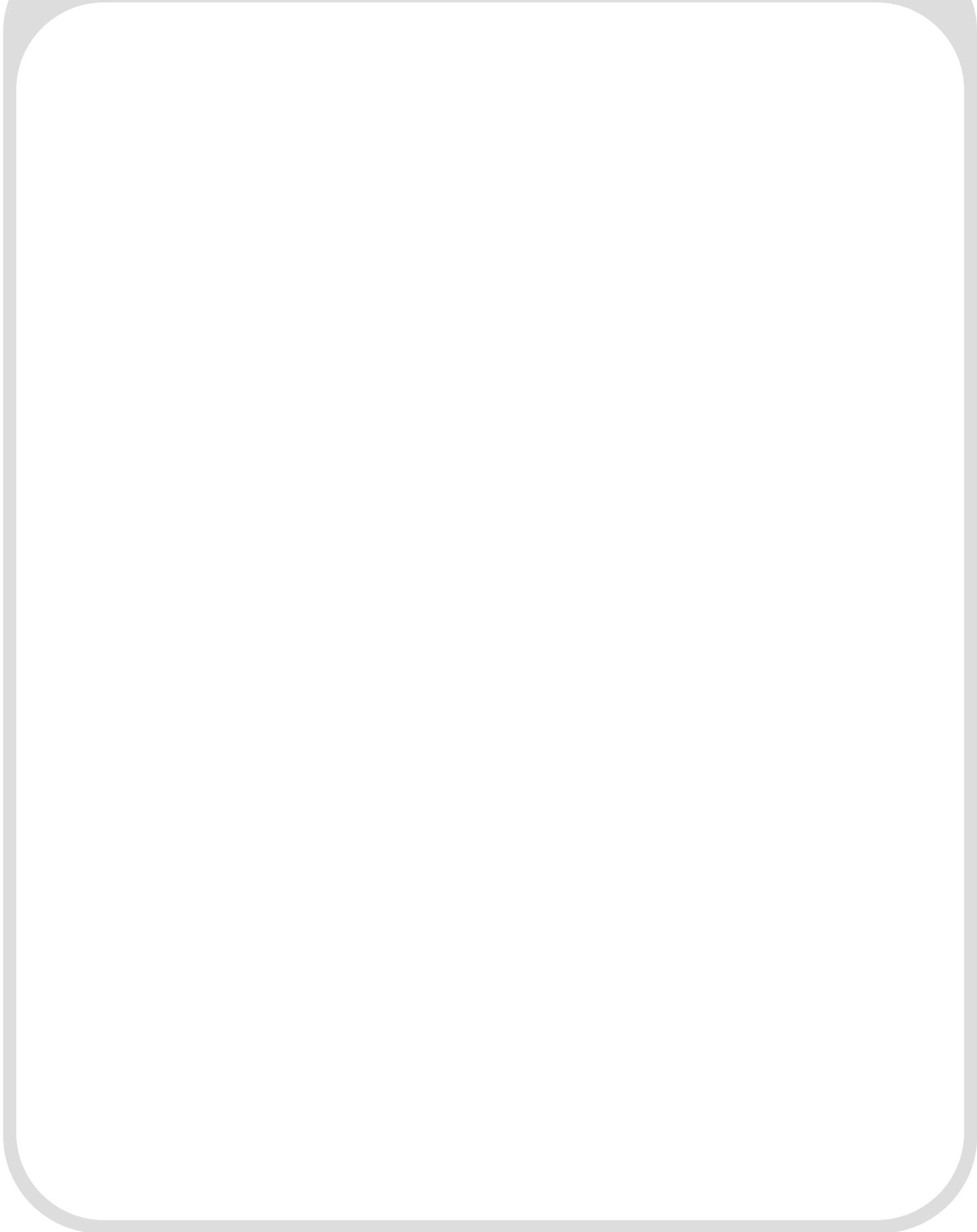
This event was such a special night for all the ladies who attended! It was so wonderful to connect with all the lovely St. Matthew ladies, and of course enjoy delicious desserts at the same time! Thank you to everyone who made this event possible! And thanks to those of you who attended this special night!!!



Ginger Allbee found Mighty Timber Jr. at Egger's Meats! Congratulations Ginger!!!

Ava Fernandez reminding you to attend our DINO-MITE book fair!!!





Classroom News

Preschool News

Miss Donna Lindsay(509.638.5361)

What a beautiful Winter Wonderland outside! Praying that your time off of school was filled with fun and laughter! Inside the preschool this week, we are continuing that fun and laughter! We are still learning about the five senses God gave us. Be sure to have your child sing our "Five Senses" song to you. They know it quite well!

We now have play dough (gluten-free, of course) in our Art Center, along with a Mr. Potato Head game in our Math Center. Our Science Center has a listening game to try and match identical sounds. This week, some of our classes were able to taste some different foods that were salty, sweet, bitter and sour. Some also had fun trying to guess what was in several Ziploc bags by only using their noses. We could guess most of them. How FUN!!

Come check out our cool Valentine's Day crafts we made this week, too! They are hanging in our classroom!!

The fun NEVER stops there!! We, of course, had our Valentine's Day parties on Thursday and Friday. Thank you to all of the parents who helped serve and were able to be a special part of our party. I always LOVE an extra set of hands (or two or three)! You make the parties go SO much smoother! THANK YOU!!

Next week is going to be a short, but busy week. No school on Monday or Tuesday. The four year old classes, morning and afternoon, visit Kindergarten on Wednesday. Pink/Red Day is Thursday and Friday.

K-1st Grade News

Miss Rachel Taasaas(360.271.5201)

Homework

Kindergarten

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day. Don't forget to add your minutes to your Book it calendar.
- Our new Word family is the -ip family.
- New sight words : but, your

First grade

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day. Don't forget to add your minutes to your Book it calendar.
- Reading books will NOT be sent home tomorrow.
- Lightning words are due tomorrow, February 15.
- Doubles Plus 1 fact cards will go home in your child's yellow folder. There will be a test next Friday. Make sure you send them back to school. We do not have extra sets of fact cards.
- Spelling test tomorrow, February 15. **If your child does not get 100% on their Spelling test this week they will need to re-take the test next week so hold on to those Spelling lists please. I will not send home a new list.**



Memory Work for February 21:

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31

2nd-4th Grade News

Mrs. Kelsey O' Haver (509.570.2023)

What a fun week! I can't believe how much snow we got in such a short amount of time. I hope you all enjoyed the extra time with your kiddos. What a blessing!

Thanks to everyone who has already returned the Field Trip form. If you haven't yet, please return it by Friday. Book Orders are also due on Friday!

Speaking of our Field Trip - I am wondering if I have any parents who play musical instruments. I would love to have you come to our classroom and teach the students about the instrument! Please talk to me soon if you play an instrument, or know someone else who does and would be willing to come in.

I hope you all enjoy your long weekend!

5th-8th Grade News

Mr. Jacob Biebert (715.402.0094)

Well, it turned out to be an unplanned short week. I was happy to see that everyone remained safe despite all of the snow we received this week. I am sure some of you are a little sore from all the shoveling that had to take place. Next week we will have another short week because of President's Day and a faculty in-service. Your teachers have been looking at strategies to help students in the areas of reading and writing this year.

Here is next week's memory work: **Wednesday(2/20): Genesis 39:9b, 1 Thessalonians 4:3, Psalm 51:1-2 Thursday(2/21): Hymn 462:1,2;Friday(2/22): Psalm 101:3, Matthew 5:28, Matthew 26:41**

We have started a study of World War I in the upper grade history class. We have looked at how this War was started and will dig deeper into what caused the U.S. to get involved and how this influenced Washington State. Please remember to keep working on your papers 7-8th grade. We weren't able to meet this week because of the snow day/late starts, but you need to keep working. We will meet again on Wednesday to discuss your papers.

The 5-6th grade history test on the East meeting West got bumped to Thursday this week, but we got it in. We will start a new chapter next week as we continue to look at the shaping of North America.

Look for more Rube Goldberg projects to appear on Facebook as the students finish them up. We have started a new unit on energy in the meantime.

Please note: We sing in church next Sunday. If you can't make it please let me know ASAP so that I can plan accordingly. With small numbers in our class this year we can't afford to miss many students on singing days.

I pray you all have a blessed weekend playing in the snow! God Bless!

Weekly Message

The Greatest Expression of Love

In two days, many in the United States will celebrate Valentine's Day. Valentine's Day is now observed in many countries as a day celebrating love and affection. Though the date may be different in different places, in most cases it has become a day on which gifts are given as expressions of love.

Common expressions of love include cards, flowers, and heart-shaped boxes filled with chocolates. Sometimes these gestures are empty of real meaning. A grade school student may give cards to everyone in her class, regardless of how she feels about the individual members. An adult may give a gift, not because he really wants to, but because that is what everyone does on Valentine's Day. More often these gestures are true expressions of love and affection, and those for whom we do such things are those for whom we would do even greater things.

If it came right down to it, who of you wouldn't give your life for those you love? Your spouse. Your child. Your dear friend. Jesus said, "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." Life is the greatest expression of love one human being can offer for

another.

For Jesus, the Son of God, the greatest expression of love goes even farther. He didn't just send you a card—though he did give you an unsurpassed love letter in his Word. He didn't just get you flowers—though he does hold out to you the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth. He didn't just give you a box of chocolates—though he does open his heart so that you may taste and see that the Lord is good. Jesus gave more; even more than a human life. Jesus gave his perfect life for you. Jesus shed his holy blood for you. Jesus endured the agony of hell for you. And now Jesus lives for you.

In so many ways and with infinite depth Jesus' love surpasses yours and mine. Praise God that his greatest expression of love has made you a child of God. It has prepared you for life to come, and it empowers you to truly love those around you.

Prayer:

Dear Lord, thank you for extending the greatest expression of love to me. May I live in the love of Jesus today and always! Amen.

"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends."

John 15:13