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The Timber Times  
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## School News

### Chapel Offering Update

Our chapel offering total is at \$220.13. Please continue to bring your offerings on Thursdays. Thanks!

### Basketball

There is a game on Tues. (2/25) at the Nazarene church. The B team will have their last practice on Thurs. (2/27) with pizza to follow for the end of their season celebration. Please RSVP so that we can guarantee there will be enough pizza for everyone. A team has practice as well, but they still have two more tournaments. See the google calendar for times. Parents, please continue to communicate with your child's teacher if you plan to take siblings out of school early for the games. Thank you!

### Junior Choir

Junior Choir will meet on February 24 @ 3:45 pm in Mrs. Most's classroom. We will be singing for Ash Wednesday Service @ 3:45pm on Wednesday, March 5.

### Grades 2-3 Sing

The second and third graders are singing in church this Sunday at 10am. We can't wait to see you there! Please note we also have Sunday school and Bible class as well at 9am.

### Love Grams Update

Thank you to everyone who purchased Love Grams last week. We raised \$343.92 toward our technology fund thanks to your generous donations!

### Pokemon Club

The Pokemon club will be meeting on Friday, February 21 @ 3:45 in the church's basement.

### Used Book Sale

We will be having our annual used book sale March 3-7. Please donate your gently used books February 7-

21! You can drop books off in your child's classroom. We need books for all ages! Books will be sold for \$0.50 each and the money raised will go toward updating novels, picture books, and purchasing audio versions of some of our books.

### DC Hot Lunch

The DC kids are serving nachos tomorrow for hot lunch! Please speak with Naomi Foxall (208)859-1456 or Lara Ramsay (509)981-3235 for any last minute sign ups.

### Call Updates

Mr. Biebert has returned the call to Fort Myers, FL and Mr. Metzger is still holding his call to Fort Atkinson, WI. Thanks for all your thoughts and prayers!

Yesterday Miss Rosenbaum received a call to Palm Coast, FL so we ask that you also keep her in your prayers! Thank you!

### Career Day Next Week

Next Wednesday, we have three speakers coming to give us some insight into different career paths. These presentations will be taking place after lunch recess. Feel free to ask Mr. Biebert for more details or to join us!

### Re-Enrollment Continues

Early re-enrollment prices will continue through next Monday. The earlier you enroll, the sooner we can begin plans for next year. Thank you!

### Drama Club Performance

Our drama club will be performing "Lighten Up!" in the church sanctuary next Friday, February 28 at 6pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Spirit Week Upcoming

Please take a look at the next page to view our upcoming spirit week days! Happy prepping!

## Upcoming Dates

### February

- 20 Basketball Practice — A Team 4-5:30PM / B Team 4-5:10PM
- 20 Adult Basketball 5:30-6:30PM
- 21 DC Hot Lunch
- 21 Pokemon Club 3:45-5:00PM — Church Basement
- 23 Grades 2-3 Sing in Church — 10AM
- 24 Junior Choir 3:45-4:30PM — Mrs. Most's Room
- 25 Basketball Games — B Team vs. Summit 3:30PM / A Team vs. Summit 4:45PM
- 26 Lutheranism Intro Class 2:30-3:30PM / 3:40-4:40PM
- 26 Drama Club 3:30-5:30PM — Church Basement
- 27 B Team Basketball Party — Naz Gym 4-5:10PM
- 27 A Team Basketball Practice 4-5:30PM
- 28 "Lighten Up!" Dress Rehearsal 10:50-11:50AM
- 29 "Lighten Up!" Performance 6-7PM

### March

- 3-7 Used Book Sale
- 3-7 Spirit Week!
- 3-4 Basketball Tournament — Times TBD
- 3 Junior Choir 3:45-4:30PM — Mrs. Most's Room

### Science Competition

If you keep a hard copy of the yearly school calendar, you may notice that there is a science competition scheduled on there for March 13<sup>th</sup>. Due to the conflicting Junior Eagle Classic basketball tournament, we are rescheduling this competition to April 17<sup>th</sup> in the morning. Your child will be getting more information regarding this in the coming days.

Grades 2-3 sing in church | Sunday 10am

# SPIRIT WEEK

MARCH 3-7

MON

CRAZY HAIR  
DAY

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HAWAIIAN  
DAY

PREK - GREEN	3 - RED
K - BLUE	4 - BLACK
1 - PURPLE	5-6 - ORANGE
2 - PINK	7-8 - BROWN



## Classroom News

### Preschool News

Mrs. Donna Driesbach (509.638.5361)

It was quite a short week at preschool - but a GREAT one!! This week, we were able to focus on and learn about two of our presidents . . . George and Abe!! Two best presidents, EVER!! Wednesday, the children had some fun creating a Lincoln beard and hat. These children actually looked like ABE!! Of course, we captured a wonderful Kodak moment for their Memory Books!! Today and tomorrow, we have fun making a patriotic star with both of these presidents displayed!!! This was also a great opportunity to show our amazing presidents' faces on so many of our American coins and paper bills!! Can they recognize them?? They sure can!! Be sure to ask your child about any "fun facts" they learned about George and Abe this week!! (Hint, hint . . . tricorn hat, stovepipe hat, favorite color - blue or green, who lived in the White House as president). Your child knows!!

Our Art Center has a fun activity. The children can glue cotton balls onto George's hair to make it fluffy. Wigs were a BIG thing back then!! George didn't wear one, but he did put powder in his hair to make it look fancy!! We also have a car mat with SO many cars for the children to play with in our Drama Center. We even have our dollhouse in the Drama Center, too . . . fun for all!! Our Science Center still has our Sound Cans that the children can listen to and match up the sounds. GREAT FUN in Preschool!!

We were able to visit our Kindergarten class on Wednesday!! What a great time we have when we visit Miss Taasaas and her Kindergarten classroom!!

#### NEXT WEEK IN PRESCHOOL:

**Christ Light Bible Story:** "Jesus Feeds More Than Five Thousand People."

**Bible Memory Verse:** The Fourth Petition "Give Us Today Our Daily Bread."

**Theme:** Fire Safety

**Letter of the Week:** "Ss"

**Snack Person:** 3 AM Ruby 3 PM Austyn 4 AM Clark 4 PM June

**Upcoming Events:** Feb. 19 Kindergarten Visit Day

Feb. 26 Career Day

Mar. 3, 4 Fire Station Field Trip

Mar. 3 - 7 Book Fair

Mar. 19 - 21 NO SCHOOL Teachers' Conference

Mar. 27 No AM Preschool - Teacher Work Day

Have the most amazing weekend with your family!! See you next week!!

### Kindergarten News

Miss Rachel Taasaas (360.271.5201)

**Literature Bags-** Please make sure you are doing an inventory of the bags when you bring them home on Thursdays. Notify me if you notice anything is missing.

**XtraMath-** I sent home your child's login information on Tuesday. Please have your child work on their math facts a minimum of 3 days a week. This is going to increase their fact fluency.

**Short e booklet-** Please check your child's yellow folder for this. This can be part of your child's nightly reading for fluency.

**Book Donations-** If you have any used books you would like to donate to our upcoming book fair please drop them off in the classroom.

#### Nightly homework:

- Have your child read with you for 20 minutes. Fill out the Book it calendar.
- Read the short a and short e booklet as a review.
- Memory work
- XtraMath

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade News

Mrs. Kelly West (509.362.4916)

Hi First Grade Families!

I hope you had a relaxing four day weekend!

This week in ChristLight we are learning about Samson, the leader of the Israelites whom God blessed with miraculous strength. In Reading we are doing some extra reading practice, games, and activities instead of our regular curriculum, because the curriculum is meant to be used for a five day week and this is such a short week. In Math we are subtracting from 18 or less. In Writing we are learning about punctuation. In Social Studies we are learning about money, and in Science we are learning about the differences between living and non-living things.

Our Memory Work for next Thursday, February 27 is The Eighth Commandment: You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

Have a great weekend! God bless you and your family!



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade News

Miss Erika Rosenbaum (269.326.5437)

### Christlight/ Memory Work

- 2/25 - Ephesians 6:1
- 2/27 - Galatians 5:13b
- Please read the Bible story from this week (God Gives Gideon Victory) with your child during the weekend.

### Homework

- Read 20 minutes a day. Add your minutes to your February Book-It Calendar.
- Spelling: next week we will be working on suffixes -ly and -ful. These are the words for next week: helpful, sadly, hopeful, thankful, slowly, wishful, kindly, useful, safely, painful, mouthful, weakly, jumped, saying, quickly, wonderful. The spelling test will be Friday, February 28.

### Extra Notes

- Math - we finished our chapter on place value this week. Our next chapter is going to focus on addition and subtraction - three digit numbers
- Reading - the kids got to read the story, "Gloria Who Might Be My Best Friend". We reviewed what homophones and idioms were as that was our phonics skill this week. We worked on making a column chart to help understand the different characters.
- Writing - we are continuing to work through the personal narrative unit.
- Science - we talked about the sun's movement and how the sun is a source of energy in the form of heat and light. We then moved on to start talking about the moon and the phases of the moon.
- Social Studies - we talked about the 13 colonies and why the Declaration of Independence was important to Americans.
- Thanks to everyone who donated prizes for the Valentine's party! The kids appreciate it!
- Grades 2 and 3 sing in church this Sunday, February 23 at 10 am. Please plan to attend. We also have Bible study and Sunday school at 9 am before the kids sing in church. Please join if you are able.
- Please make sure to send your child with a bag when they bring their snow gear so their backpacks don't get wet from their clothes. Thanks!
- We are running low on plastic spoons. If you are able to donate some to our classroom, we would appreciate it. Thank you!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade News

Miss Avery Broyles (208.995.3465)

### Christlight/Memory Work

- 2/25 - Matthew 22:37
- 2/27 - Matthew 6:33
- 2/28 - The First Commandment & The Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer

### Homework

- Read 20 minutes a day
- Work on spelling words
- Xtramath practice
- Add minutes to the February calendar

### What are we learning?

- In math we have started using our rulers to measure different items in the classroom.
- In reading we started our new book, The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane.
- In writing we are learning about adverbs
- We have started our upper case letters in handwriting, and are close to finishing the book.

### Extra Notes

- Please continue to check with your child about any homework they have to complete.
- Due to the temperatures dropping, it is very important your child has the appropriate snow gear to go outside.
- The 2nd and 3rd graders sing this SUNDAY at 10am. They have been practicing hard and can't wait to share with you.
- Hot lunch is this Friday!

God blessings on your weekend!

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade News

Mrs. Michelle Most (832.212.9102)

### In the Classroom:

**Word of God** - Our lessons for this week are 12A - Samson the Champion and 12B - Samson Sins and God's Mercy. These lessons are a great reminder we can use our gifts from the Lord to give glory to him!

**Reading** - The book reports were great! I loved how the children were so excited to share their books with their classmates! Next week we will begin our new novel! I can't wait, it is such a fun read too!

**Math** - Our test over the Measurements chapter will be either Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

**English/Writing** - The Valentine quatrain poems were fabulous! Such fun! Please stop by and read them! We will be finishing up our personal narratives this week and sharing them on Monday.

**Science** - We are wrapping up our chapter on Electricity and Magnetism this week.

**Soc. St.** - We are wrapping up chapter 5 "How Washington Became a State" this week. Our next chapter will be about the government; focusing on the 3 branches of government and how a bill becomes a law.

### Extras

- Thank you to Zach Saugen for coming in this Friday to teach about making smart financial decisions and budgeting.
- Sorry that grades on Jupiter haven't been updating very much. Feeling under the weather last week didn't help. I caught up on much needed rest over the break and got a few things done, but now that I am feeling human again, I will hopefully be able to get caught up quickly enough. If you see anything that is concerning, please reach out to me so we can solve it together. Thank you!
- Just a reminder that any corrected work that comes home can be reviewed and corrected and handed back in for a revised grade. Please do so in a timely manner and have your child hand in directly to me/my desk.

### 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade News

Mr. Glenn Metzger (734.788.4637)

Our student message of the week comes from Conrad, who whispers: "I lost my voice at home, so don't lose yours!" Stay healthy, middle school family!

In our classes this short week, we are starting to learn about the Judges of the Old Testament and finishing our assessment on the 6th Commandment in Religion. In Math classes, both grades are continuing to work with multiplying and dividing fractions in various ways. In Science, we are starting our unit about the origins and development of life, beginning with a look at fossils. In English, we are continuing our pronoun study. In Reading, all the students have been able to practice each role in their reading group, so this next round of assignments will be graded. Finally, in Social Studies, students are taking an assessment about ancient civilizations on the Indian subcontinent and beginning a chapter about Ancient China. There is no Spelling this week due to the short week.

There are about five weeks left in the 3rd Quarter! Please take regular opportunities to check JupiterEd to see how your child's grades look. Remember: everything graded with a letter (ABCDF) can be resubmitted for up to a B+ on the first revision, and up to a C+ on the second revision. If your child has a grade lower than a C+, they can do something to bring it up!

### 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade News

Mr. David Zabel (941.201.7896)

**Please refer to My Planbook whenever your child is absent from school. This way they can keep up with their assignments.**

<https://app.planbook.com?t=2011934&k=1234&v=W&y=92524834>

Because of the two day we had off we didn't get into the Christ light lesson this week. We will pick it up next week. We did continue to watch the "Chosen" series.

The seventh-grade math class continues to work with percents. This week they worked through finding a percent and estimating with percents.

The students have finished chapter nine in their World History class. They began to review the chapter with a study guide and will continue their review via a jeopardy game and book review. Tomorrow they will take the test.

In Science we have begun a study of Arthropods which include crustaceans and insects. They will learn why they are important to our lives.

The students have continued to write their personal narratives. They are working to include some dialogue they had during the experience they have chosen to write about.

The latest phrase heard in the classroom is – "Good Boy"!

Mr. Z

### Principal Thought you Probably Didn't Want :)

A note from Jacob (715.402.0094)

Registration Part Deux

The last few days are upon us to get the discounted registration and the Taco Time and the toilet paper. If the only reason you haven't registered is due to some issue related to Jupitered, then please reach out ASAP. I am happy to help. If you have some other concern or rationale for not registering, then please feel free to reach out and talk with me about the reason why. My cell is 715-402-0094.

A draft of the 25-26 calendar is finished, and will be looked at by our school board this month at our upcoming meeting. I will start distributing this calendar to families shortly thereafter.

There are warmer temperatures in the forecast for next week. Your child may want to keep their snow boots available at school, but they can likely bring their snow stuff home to clean and dry it during this lull in the snow/cold. God willing there won't be any more snow. Hopefully we can get ahead of the snow stuff still sitting in bags come May. Thank you for your help in this manner.

God Bless all of you!

## Give All the Glory to God

If you watch enough sports, you are undoubtedly familiar with postgame interviews and press conferences where members of the media ask athletes to reflect on their performances. A surprising number of current athletes often start their remarks by saying something like: "First off, I want to give all glory to God. He blessed me with these abilities, and I am thankful for the opportunity to use them." Several football players this past season spent quite a bit of airtime talking about how God has enabled them to do such amazing things on the field. Comments like those are a good reminder for the rest of us to acknowledge God as the giver of all good things.

If you were one of those athletes, would you be so quick to give the glory to God? It is tempting for us to take credit for anything positive. It can be easy to puff out our chests, raise our heads, and smile as people pile on the compliments. People noticing our accomplishments is a big boost to our egos and tempts us to boast about ourselves.

The apostle Paul invites us to view boasting from a dif-

ferent perspective. We don't usually see weakness as something to boast about. Truthfully, our weaknesses are the things we try to hide. But today's Bible verse encourages us to view our weaknesses as opportunities to look away from ourselves and shine the light on God—the one who has given us everything.

While the Lord has blessed us with abilities, he has done even more for us than that. He sent Jesus into this world to live and die for us. And rather than boast about his own life of perfection and his eternal power, Jesus went to the cross to die for you and me and to pay for all our sins. Through faith in Jesus, you

and I have eternal life. This same Jesus will use his power to work through our weaknesses.

### Prayer:

Dear Jesus, you are my strength when I am weak. Help your strength to shine in me today. Amen.

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Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

**2 Corinthians 12:9**