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School News

Mission Offering

Our total collected for the year so far has come to \$357.71. Thank you for your continued offerings to help support Shepherd of the Hills Church in Las Vegas, NV!

Bloomsday Picture

It seems as though everyone who participated in Bloomsday this year had a blast! Check out the picture on the next page to see all the kiddos who joined the event this year!

Free Pass Mini-Golf

The kids celebrated their free pass afternoon on Friday by taking some time to mini-golf! See the next page for some fun pictures from this outing!

Track

On Monday, we had our first track meet of the year over at SFCC! The kids had the opportunity to learn new skills and practice old ones as well! Thank you for attending this meet! The next one will take place at SFCC on May 22!

Softball

Last Thursday the kids played CCA at their field in Post Falls, and came away with a win! Congratulations, Mighty Timbers! The team plays again after school today at 4:00PM. Join them at 1115 W Government Way, Spokane!

Piano Bills

Now that piano lessons are over, and May is a very busy month at school, it is possible to overlook your last piano lesson bill. Please remember to return your payment to Mrs. Turner. Thank you!

Preschool Teacher Aide

Because of our anticipated enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year, St. Matthew will be looking for a teacher aide in the preschool for next year! If you are interested in applying for this position, please speak with Mr. Biebert to pick up an application. Thank you!

Tuition Agreements

If you have not done so yet, please take the time to review and sign your tuition agreement on TADS. We recently resent all tuition agreements that have not been completed. We ask that these are turned in by June 1. **If you wish to apply for financial aid, the application must be completed prior to signing your agreement.** Financial aid is awarded on a first come, first served basis.

Teacher Appreciation

Teachers, we love and appreciate everything you do for the students, families, and St. Matthew! THANK YOU for the many things you do that go unnoticed. We hope you know how loved you are by all of us here at St. Matthew!



Scrip

Take a look at the attached sheet to see some of the restaurants in stock in the office! There are also sheets posted on the doors of the elementary and preschool. Remember, scrip earns money back for our school without costing you any extra! Please speak with Mrs. Biebert (715)402-0114 if you have any questions!

D.C. Yard Work Day

Calling all D.C. trip kids! We are having our yard work clean up day on May 18. Please mark your calendars for this event, and plan to attend! Thank you!

Upcoming Dates

May

- 9 Softball @PCA—4:00PM
- 11 Family Fun Fair—9:00AM-4:00PM
- 12 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
- 13 Softball @ PCA—4:00PM
- 14 PreK-1 Dress Rehearsal—NOON
- 15 PreK-1 Dress Rehearsal—NOON
- 16 PreK-1 Musical—6:30PM
- 16 Softball Practice—3:30-5:00PM
- 17 PreK-1 Musical—6:30PM
- 21 Track Meet SFCC—6:00-9:30PM
- 22 Softball @ PCA v. CCA—4:00PM
- 23 EARLY RELEASE—NOON
- 27 NO SCHOOL—MEMORIAL DAY
- 28 Softball Tournament—TBD
- 30 Preschool Graduation—6:30PM
- 31 Last Day of Preschool!

PreK-1 Musical

Mark your calendars! The PreK-1 musical is happening NEXT WEEK folks! Honestly, where does the time go? The teachers and students have been putting in so much work, and we can't wait to see the performances!!!

Grades 2-8 Looking for Props

If you are looking for an opportunity to support our musical, the children are looking for certain play props for this year's musical! Additionally, if you are gifted with costume design or makeup, please speak with Mrs. O'Haver or Mr. Biebert and we will find a way to use your talents! Thank you!

Happy Mother's Day!

This Sunday is Mother's Day, so make sure to show your moms extra love this weekend! Moms, we hope you are showered with love this day and every day!

Arbor Day Reminder

Arbor Day will be tomorrow! Make sure your kids bring the tools necessary for work and dress appropriately! Also, please remember to bring the items for lunch that you were assigned! Thank you!



THANK YOU TEACHERS
FOR ALL YOU DO!!!



5/10 Cleaning

Upstairs: Fernandez

Downstairs: Yancey

MIGHTY TIMBERS

ST. MATTHEW BLOOMIES!

FREE PASS MINI-GOLF



SOFTBALL

TRACK

Classroom News

Preschool News

Miss Donna Lindsay(509.638.5361)

What a terribly busy week it has been in preschool this week! We have been working on wonderful Mother's Day gifts for our moms, having play practice every day, doing 4-year old evaluations and also starting a new theme, Ocean.

Parents, PLEASE continue to work with your children on their lines for EIEI Oops! Our big performance is only one week away and I don't want it to be YOUR child that doesn't know their lines. Thank you!!

We have new centers in our classroom to match our new theme. We have ocean animal stamps in the Art Center, a sand table in the Drama Center, shell sorting in the Science Center and a sand bin with real seashells in the Sensory Center. What great new things to explore!!

Thank you all so much for all of your love and support this past week, but also, all school year. I couldn't do what I do without all of YOU by my side. Thank you!!

Remember, next week is our dress rehearsal on Tuesday, May 14 at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Our performance nights are Thursday, May 16 and Friday May 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Review week next week - Letters U-Z

Have a beautiful Mother's Day, all of you moms!! You deserve to be spoiled!!

K-1st Grade News

Miss Rachel Taasaas(360.271.5201)

Homework

Kindergarten

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day.
- The Literature Bags are a perfect opportunity to get in 20 minutes of reading each day. Please make sure you are actually reading the books. Many kids said they did not even read the books from the Literature bags. If this is something you do not want to participate in please let me know and I will no longer send them home with your child.

First grade

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day.
- Reading books will not be sent home tomorrow.
- Lightning Words due tomorrow, May 10.
- Spelling test tomorrow, May 10.



Memory Work for May 16:

You shall not covet your neighbor's house. 9th commandment

E-I-E-I Oops!

This year our Spring musical is E-I-E-I Oops! We have two performances: May 16 and 17 both at 6:30 pm. If your child has a speaking part in the play they need to have all of their lines memorized by May 3.

You are responsible for your child's costume. If you have questions please ask. Our dress rehearsal is Tuesday, May 14 at 10:30 am and 2:30 pm. If you would like to come to one of the dress rehearsals you may but it is not necessary. **All costumes must be at school by Monday, May 13.**

Cookies

We will be serving cookies after both performances next week. Kindergarten families need to provide a dozen or so cookies for Thursday night's performance. First grade families need to provide cookies for Friday night's performance.

Scholastic Book Orders

Book orders went home last week. If you would like to order books please do so online or return the form to school by Friday, May 10. This will be our last order of the year.

Miss Taasaas' News

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Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to make Teacher Appreciation Week extra special. Thank you also for the support all of you have shown me all year. I am truly blessed to serve here at St. Matthew!

2nd-4th Grade News

Mrs. Kelsey O' Haver (509.570.2023)

This has been such a crazy week! The kids have done an amazing job going with the flow this week. Between MAP test, play practice, Arbor Day, different lunch schedule...it sure had been busy. I can definitely tell the end of the year is close!

A big thank you to all my parents who have made me feel special this week. It sure feels nice to be appreciated! All the little gifts go a long ways. I love your kids, and put a lot of my life and heart into them. So - thank you!

Please keep encouraging your child to work their hardest. I know it can be difficult to focus when the weather is so beautiful and also distracting...but we are so close to the end! Let's end the year working as hard as we did when we started!

I sent a Remind out about this, but we are out of paper plates. Please make sure that your child is set with their lunch and will not need a plate at school. Thanks!

Blessings on your week!

5th-8th Grade News

Mr. Jacob Biebert (715.402.0094)

Thank You!! Thank you to everyone who made this week and this year so special for all of us teachers. It has been an absolute pleasure to serve your children. I am excited to finish the year working with you and your children. There are so many more things to learn and it feels like there is never enough time. It makes me excited for next year! I literally can't believe the jump that all the kids took, but especially the 6th graders this year. They have grown immensely in so many areas. It is hard to remember that they are only in 6th grade when there work says differently.

Here is the memory work for next week: **Monday(5/13): 1 Peter 4:12,13; 1 Peter 4:15,16 Tuesday(5/14): 1 Peter 4:1,2 Wednesday (5/15): 1st Commandment Thursday(5/16): Hymn 291:1,4 Friday(5/17): 1 Peter 3:18-20**

Well, we got our history tests in, but only just barely. With map testing this week it was tricky. Next week will be a lighter history week as we seek to wrap up our study of sound waves. Your child should expect a test on sound waves early the following week.

Please check with your child about what they are expecting to wear for the play that is coming up. Also, look for a text to be sent out in regards to our raking next Saturday for our Washington D.C. trip.

Please don't hesitate to ask about anything with all the business coming up here at the end of the year. I would hate for something to slip through the cracks. I hope you enjoy the amazing weather we have been having. God Bless!!!

Weekly Message

Loving Our Neighbor

Ananias knew who Saul was. He knew all that Saul had done in Jerusalem to arrest and condemn Christians to death. He knew that Saul had now come to Damascus, with the authority of the chief priests, to do the same thing. And so, Ananias was uneasy, to say the least, when the Lord told him to go to Saul and restore his sight.

Would any of us have reacted any differently than Ananias did? How easy is it for us to show love (or even kindness) to someone who has shown nothing but hatred toward us? How much easier would it be to just write that person off as someone who's not worthy of our love?

But the Lord didn't give Ananias the option of just writing Saul off as

dangerous and not worthy of love. God had plans for Saul. Even more than that, God loved Saul. Therefore, God also wanted Ananias to love Saul. And with God's love living in him, Ananias would be able to love Saul, even as God loved him.

Loving our neighbor is not always easy, especially when that neighbor has not shown love to us. Yet our neighbor's lack of love does not excuse us from loving them. Regardless of who they are, God

still loves them. Therefore, he also wants us to love them. And as God's love lives in us, we also will be able to love all our neighbors, just as God in Christ has loved each of us.

Prayer:

Lord, let your love overflow through me to all those who are around me. Amen.

In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." "Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel."

Acts 9:10-15