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## **School News**

#### **Mission Offering**

So far our chapel total stands at \$292.11. Just a note that ALL chapels during September are at 8:45AM. We will start alternating AM/PM chapels next month. Parents—you are more than welcome to join us for chapel at anytime!:)

#### **Used Kitchen Items!!**

We could really use your help for our upcoming Dads & Donuts event! Without giving away too many details, we are asking that if you have any unwanted leftover kitchen utensils or metal kitchen ware, please consider donating it to the school. We are taking donations until Tuesday, September 21 only!

#### Campout \$\$\$

Please remember to bring in your money for the October church campout if you have not yet done so! Thank you!

## Bible Class with Pastor West

Please speak with Pastor West if you would like more information on either of the new bible studies he is offering for the fall! (509)217-9617

#### Map Testing

Beginning September 20, our K-8 classes will be starting their first round of MAP testing. These tests are on the computer, and are used to get an idea of how the students test, as well as where they are at the start of a new school year.

These tests are just one of many assessments for your child, and they are only used as a guide. No grades will be recorded from the tests.

Please help your child prepare for these by making sure they get a good night's sleep, and have a nice breakfast in the morning. Testing can be very stressful on kids (and adults!!), but try to relieve any anxiety in your child by reminding them that we do not expect anyone to be perfect, and these tests will not impact any grades. If you have questions about MAP testing, please speak with your child's teacher, or Jacob (715)402-0094.

#### **Wonderful Opportunity**

Moms out there—looking to make a little extra money and also spend a little quality time?? This opportunity may be for you:

A South Hill retired clergy couple who served God around the world as missionaries are seeking a woman of faith to visit with the pastor's wife twice a week for three hours. They will pay \$20/hour. If interested, please speak with Catherine Lyle (509)570-3938.

#### Early Release

Our first early release day is on Friday, September 24. Please mark your calendar for this day, and prepare to pick your child up at NOON. They will eat lunch at home that day.

#### Soccer

K-2 had their first practice this week! 3-8 is getting ready for their first game next week Thursday 9/23! You should have received a practice/game schedule this week. Please make sure you have signed up for Remind for either K-2 or 3-8 soccer for important updates on practices/games. Can't wait to see the athletes compete next week! Please contact Miss Rosenbaum if you have any questions. Go Mighty Timbers!

## 9/17 Cleaning

**Biebert/Taasaas/Boys:** Jones **Most/Rosenbaum/Girls:** Casey

#### **School Pictures**

Heads up that school pictures are coming quickly! **SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1.** Due to the large number of students, grades 1-2 will have their pictures taken on Friday, October 1. Everyone else's schedule will stay the same. Please note—if you are in PreK 3 or grades 1-2—your pictures will be on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1. A note will be sent home today or tomorrow attached to the ordering envelope as a reminder as well. Please speak with your child's teacher if you have any questions.

#### Singing in Church—REMINDER

K-8<sup>th</sup> grade will be singing on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Please make it a point to join us for worship that day and to hear your child sing praises to their Lord and Savior! All the children's voices help to make a joyful noise to the Lord, so it is noticeable when one or two voices are missing as we all practice together to be united in Christ.

## **Classroom News**

#### **Preschool News**

Miss Donna Lindsay(509.638.5361)

What a beautiful FULL week of preschool!! We started a brand new theme this week. APPLES. When our theme changes, so do our centers. Our Art Center now has bingo dotters. We are able to bingo dot the upper and lower case "Aa". Our Listening Center has the book <u>Under the Apple Tree</u>, and our Sensory Center has "apples" (pom poms) that we can sort by colors with tweezers.

This week, our 4-year old classes were able to have their first field trip!! We went on our Fall Walk to Linwood Park. We looked for colored leaves, rocks, pinecones, squirrels, etc. What a fantastic day we had! The 3-year old classes get to have this fun on Monday!!

The 4-year old classes began show 'n' tell this week. Everyone was able to bring something to school that began with the letter A. We saw apples, Ariel, Anna, airplanes and even Captain America! What an amazing introduction to public speaking for these little ones!!

Next week, we will focus on letter B. Four year old classes, please bring something for show 'n' tell that starts with the letter B.

We will also be celebrating Red Day next week. Have your child wear (and/or bring) something RED to school on Thursday and Friday.

Our bible verse to memorize next week is Psalm 139:14 "I am . . . wonderfully made."

Have a fantastic weekend with your family!! I am looking forward to another wonderful week of preschool!!

#### **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. This
  week we have been discussing the 3 ways to read a book. Your child knows they can 1. Read the pictures (make up their own
  story) 2. Read the words 3. Retell the story. Please encourage them by having them read to you for at least 10 minutes each
  night.
- Memory Work- practice a little each night so it's not so overwhelming to them.
- Review letters: Mm, Ss, Bb. Ask your child to name things that begin with each letter and have them practice writing the upper and lower case letters.
- We have been working on reading and writing number words (one, two, three). If you notice these words in your nightly reading
  point them out to your child...or maybe they will point them out to you!

#### Field Trip

Information will be going home tomorrow in your child's yellow folder about our upcoming trip to the pumpkin patch.

#### **Dads and Donuts**

Please make sure you fill out the Dads and Donuts form and turn it in so we have enough materials...and donuts!

#### **Donations Needed**

We have been going through a lot of zip lock bags. If you are able to donate sandwich or gallon sized bags they would be greatly appreciated!

**MAP Testing** 

Next week we will do our first round of MAP testing. Our tests are scheduled for Tuesday (8:45 AM) and Thursday (1:00 PM). The students will take this test on the computer (very exciting). They will wear their headphones and all of the questions will be read to them. Please remind your child this is not a computer game and we don't want them to rush through the test. It may be a little challenging for them because they will be using Chrome books and will need to click and drag objects using the mouse (we don't have any touch screens- yikes!)

#### **Memory Work**

September 23

Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Mark 16:15

#### 1st-2nd Grade News

Miss Erika Rosenbaum(269.326.5437)

#### Memory Work/Christlight

- September 21 Psalm 119:105
- September 23 1 Peter 5:8b
- Please read the Bible stories from this week with your child this weekend and sign and return the bright orange sheet.

3rd-4th Grade News

Mrs. Michelle Most (832.212.9102)

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#### 1st Grade Reading

- Lightning words are due September 17.
- The signed purple bookmark is due September 20.
- Continue to work towards having your child reading 20 minutes a day.

#### 2nd Grade Reading

- The 2nd graders are working on their long and short vowels. They have also been working on the CVC (consonant-vowel-consonant) pattern in words.
- Continue to work towards having your child reading 20 minutes a day.

#### **Extra Notes**

- Free Passes every student in our class is allowed 6 free passes in the first quarter. If he/she forgot to do an assignment, didn't finish an assignment, or left an assignment at home,, he/she may use a free pass to receive full points on the assignment. If a child uses all the free passes in a quarter before the quarter ends, then they will be using his/her free time to complete the assignment as well as getting a percentage taken off the assignment.
- We received our science textbooks this past week and the kids have been enjoying the activities we are doing in science. Last week, we got to use our five senses and observe popcorn. This week, we got to use magnifying glasses to observe certain objects (ask your child what objects they observed) as well as using rulers, straws, and paper clips to measure objects in our classroom!
- If your child has not brought headphones to school, please send a pair with them as we will be doing MAP testing next week. Thanks!
- There will be field trip information in your child's folder on Friday. Please take the time to read through it and return it when completed. Thank you!
- This week, we have been working on keeping our desk area clean throughout the entire day and cleaning up after ourselves in a timely manner.

#### **3rd-4th Grade News**

Mrs. Michelle Most (832.212.9102)

Welcome to our new classmate, Andrew!

#### **Extra Notes**

- As the mornings are getting cooler, please send a light jacket to school with your child so they can wear it at first recess if
  necessary. If it is too cold and are not dressed appropriately students may have to stay inside for recess.
- Please remember to return your form for the Dads and Donuts festivities. It is sure to be a blast up at Riverview Bible Camp!
- Next week Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades will be taking their MAP testing. They are taken on the computer and help in to inform us of where they are at the start of the new school year. Please help your child prepare for the tests by making sure they get a good night's sleep and have a nice breakfast in the morning.
- Just a reminder that we have memory work on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Some days there are two verses that are to be recited. Whenever there are Bible verses, your child will also need to include the reference of where it is found in the bible. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask me.
- Children are developmentally getting to an age where body odor can become an issue. This is a healthy part of growing
  up. However, this also includes a few more responsibilities such as the use of deodorant and more frequent washing.
  Please consider having this discussion with your child.

Have a blessed week in the Lord!

#### 5th-8th Grade News

Mr. Jacob Biebert (715.402.0094)

Another fabulous week is in the books! We accomplished lots and the 5-6<sup>th</sup> graders got their first real test out of the way this week....exciting, I know!

Here is next week's memory work:

Monday 9/20: Galatians 3:26, Hebrews 11:1; Wednesday: 9/22-Old Testament Books of Bible; Thursday: 9/23-Hymn 473:1,4; 9/24- Deuteronomy 33:27a, Psalm 31:15a, Psalm 50:15

The 5-6<sup>th</sup> graders took their map skills test this Wednesday. We have been transferring our focus on to the Latin phrase E Pluribus Unum. Out of many, one! What are the many? What is the one thing? These are the questions that your children will continue to answer into next week.

The 7-8<sup>th</sup> grade history class has started to look more in depth at the Point No Point Treaty. We will be discussing the effects that this treaty had on all people involved. About once a week we have been watching a portion of a video on tribal perspectives. This video has gotten us to take time to see history through the Native American perspective and to see their oral history as a valid form of history.

From early flying machines till present day what has changed? A big part of advancement in flight throughout the years has had to do with the increased knowledge of air pressure and how low and high pressure works. The children did a number of experiments working with air pressure to identify what happens to objects when experiencing both low and high pressure.

## **Weekly Message**

# Communication that Values Relationships

A recent article in a business magazine highlighted the use of a "ten-second rule" for more effective communication. The author noted that taking a long breath or two before responding can defuse a heated conversation. The momentary break gives everyone in the room a chance to refocus on relationships rather than disagreement.

This advice is not only good modern business practice, but it also reflects ancient wisdom found in both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. When James counseled his readers to be "quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry," he was echoing thoughts collected hundreds of years earlier in the book of Proverbs.

Of course, all too often, we have failed to heed such advice. Our sinful pride, selfishness, and short tempers frequently can get the best of us, and instead of putting the needs of others ahead of our own, we respond in anger. We may feel the urge to win the argument or get our own way at any cost, even at the expense of friendships and other important relationships.

How comforting to know that God does not act as we do! The Bible tells us that God is slow to anger, even though we have given him so many reasons to be angry with us. And he is quick to listen to and answer our prayers, especially when we are asking for forgiveness. His Son, Jesus, perfectly demonstrated that same attitude throughout his earthly life, patiently bearing with sinners and humbly paying the price for our sharp tongues and short tempers.

Now we strive to live in a way that reflects Christ's love for us and our gratitude for him. That includes making sure that we value people and our relationships with them more than we value winning arguments against them. Practice good communication habits, but even more so, practice

imitating Christ's humility and patient love for others, just as he has loved and forgiven you.

#### Prayer:

Lord Jesus, forgive me for acting and speaking in anger rather than love. Help me to build up others through what I say and how I say it. Amen.

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.

**James 1:19,20**