

# Memorial Lutheran School

## BADGERS

***NEWSLETTER - 17***  
***January 20-24, 2020***

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday, January 24	End of Second Quarter
Sunday, February 2	K-5 sings at 10:30 worship service
Thursday, February 6	Devotion with Pastor; mission offerings collected.
Monday, February 10	No school – Pastor/Teacher Conference
Monday, February 17	No school – Presidents' Day
Friday, February 21	Special lunch served
Wednesday, February 26	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> – Lent service at 7:00 PM PTO school families host Lent supper at 5:45 K-5 sings for service

### **Happy Birthday!**

January 25          Addison

### **School Cleaning Schedule for the week of:**

January 27	Cardona
February 3	Chaffee
February 10	Collins



### **FROM MRS. LEITZ**

**Preschool:** This week we have been learning about how God fulfilled His promise to the Israelite people that they will live in the Promised Land. We know that because He has fulfilled every promise He has ever made that He will certainly keep His promise of giving us eternal life in heaven with Him someday. We have also learned that He will use us and our voices to do His will and that He uses many different people here on earth to do His will.

The threes continue to work on their shapes, names, letters, and numbers. The fours have started a new story "The Tug of War". We continue to talk about winter and snow.

May you all have a wonderful weekend!

**Kindergarten:** This week we have been learning about how God fulfilled His promise to the Israelite people that they will live in the Promised Land. We know that because He has fulfilled every promise He has ever made that He will certainly keep His promise of giving us eternal life in heaven with Him someday. We have also learned that He will use us and our voices to do His will and that He uses many different people here on earth to do His will.

In math we have been working on counting money with nickels and pennies, and telling time. For Super Kids we have been working on the letter E. In science we have been having fun learning about measurement and the tools we can use to measure things for science.

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### **FROM MRS. DOMKE AND GRADES 1-5**

This week in our study of God's Word we learned about the way God handed over the city of Jericho to His people. God used miracles to give His people the land in such a way that nobody could deny that God is in control of life and death and eternity. God also used miracles to give His people the small city of Ai. We spoke at length of why it was necessary for the people in the land of Canaan to be gone. Although it may seem barbaric to us, God knew the land must be cleared of the idolatrous people before the people of the promise began to live there in permanent homes. The people of God must not live around those who practiced idolatry. The promise of the Savior must be in the hands of believing people. We need to carefully guard the faith we have, too. It is too precious to not cherish like gold.

Thanks to those who were able to sing last week at Memorial. We will sing again Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thanks for letting me know ASAP when your children are sick, especially if you want to take work home the morning of that day. It really helps to have a few minutes before kids get here to put work together. Also, if your child is going to be absent, please text or call ahead so I'm not left wondering if he or she is coming. I'm up early, so don't worry about waking me!

Remember that my rule of thumb for absent work is that the student gets two days for every absent day to make up work. For example, if a student is absent on a Tuesday, the student has Wed. and Thurs. to make it up and it is due on Friday. I will be happy to grant more work time, without penalty, but I expect the student to be making honest strides to get the work made up.

Next week on Tuesday, January 28 grades 3-5 will have a states/capitals quiz on the New England, Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, and Midwest/Great Plains Regions. The last couple of quizzes have not gone too well so I was thinking that if parents knew that might help. If a student gets a D or and F on one of those tests I will allow the student to retake a different form of the test, but the grade received will be an average of the two tests.

Grades 3-5 also have their Midwest/Great Plains maps due next Friday, January 31.

Thanks to all our volunteers! Give yourselves a big hug!

Thanks for all the hard work and support. Have a great weekend!

# GENERAL INFORMATION

**OUR NEXT DEVOTION** with Pastor will be **Thursday, February 6**. Mission offerings will be collected at that time. All parents and grandparents are welcome to attend these combined devotion times. At the beginning of that week, Mrs. Leitz and Mrs. Domke will distribute envelopes that the students may use to bring a thankoffering, should your family desire to do so.

This school year's thankofferings will be sent to Martin Luther College in New Ulm, Minnesota. MLC that trains those who will serve as pastors and teachers who in churches and school of Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). Teacher-track students who graduate from MLC are assigned to WELS schools to begin their work instructing our Savior's lambs. Mrs. Domke and Mrs. Leitz both graduated from the college. Pastor-track students who graduate from MLC continue their studies for four more years at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wisconsin.

**END OF THE QUARTER REPORT CARDS** This Friday marks the end of our school year's Second Quarter. Report cards will go home early next week, unless a student – due to absences this month – needs to complete some second quarter work.

**GRADES K-5** will sing on Sunday, February 2 at the beginning of the 10:30 service. We hope to see many of you there.

**DAYS OFF IN FEBRUARY** Please note that there are two no school days in February on the school year calendar. Our school will be closed on

- ***Monday, February 10*** (Pastor – Teacher Conference), and
- ***Monday, February 17*** (Presidents' Day).

**MLS FINE ARTS FAIR** This year's Fine Arts Fair for students in grades three-five will be held at Michigan Lutheran Seminary on Saturday, March 7. It's time to talk to your child about what they will do for that fair and then start to prepare for the competitions and projects. Applications will have to be in the Mrs. Domke by Friday, ***February 7th***. (The only two categories for which grades 3-4 may enter are the art and forensics competitions.)

Keep this in mind, you only have to go to MLS if you are participating in music, forensics, math, or spelling. Students participating in science and art need only to have their work to our school by Tuesday, February 25. That work will be transported to MLS by one of the teachers. Those projects will then be brought back to school at the end of the fair. You are still encouraged to attend and see all the entries and listen to the other competitions. IT REALLY IS A LOT OF FUN!

Students will be charged an entry fee of \$2.00 for each category and entry he/she enters. For example: If a student enters a science project, two art projects, and does the spelling bee, there would be a total entry fee of \$8.00. If your child wishes to participate, please ask the teacher for an application. **These applications and the money must be turned in by Friday, February 7th so we can have them sent in on time.**

After your application is turned in, your child may request more detailed instructions for the event(s) in which he/she has entered. We encourage you to read these instructions carefully so there are no disappointments on the day of the fair.

If you have any questions, please ask any teacher. We will give you the schedule for the day as the date gets closer and when we receive individual times for those students who need them.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to label your child's hats, mittens, gloves, boots, jackets, and snowpants. When many students have the same color winter wear it is hard to know to whom they belong without inside labeling of some type. Thank you.

**SCHOOL CLOSINGS FOR WEATHER** When road conditions become dangerous due to snow or ice, or when we have a power outage at school, Pastor Voss will try to make a decision by 6:15 AM about keeping our school closed

for the day. However, there may be times when a little more time is needed to make the decision, and we trust that you will understand when that happens.

When it has been decided to close school for the day, Pastor Voss will notify you by email and by text. He will also put a notice on WLNS Channel 6 and WILX Channel 10.

***If you haven't received an email or text message from Pastor Voss yet this school year, please speak to him to make sure that he has your contact information.***

**WE USUALLY DON'T DELAY THE START OF A SCHOOL DAY**, even when many area school districts *delay* the start of school due to extreme cold, fog, or snow / ice that will clear up by mid-morning. With our students relying on family transportation to get to school, it's too much of an inconvenience for parents or grandparents to wait 2 hours to get their children to school.

So, when weather or road conditions are such that you need to delay your departure from home in the morning, please get your child(ren) here as soon as it is safe for you to do so. Just let us know that your child(ren) will be arriving later in the morning.

**WE USUALLY DON'T CLOSE SCHOOL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY**, even when many area school districts send students home early due to snow or ice. Again, since parents and grandparents pick up our students, there may not be rides for some students in the middle of the day.

So, when the forecast is for normal road conditions in the morning, but for deteriorating conditions as the school day goes on, we will normally close our school for the entire day.

**BASKETBALL GAMES CONCESSION HELP** Recreation association basketball games have continued on weekends. The PTO Fund receives the profit from concession sales. We need school parents to volunteer to work in the concession stand.

A SignUp Genius link has been set up for volunteers to use in picking the day and time they can help. Speak with Pastor Voss if you have any questions. Use this link for *Sign Up Genius*: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4fafad2fa46-memorial>. This link is also found on the drop down menu of our web sites (church, school and preschool).

**Here is the contact information** for the men on our congregation's Board of Christian Education.

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**They will know we are Christians by our love.**

*We love because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19*

The theme for this school year is *They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love*. It is based on 1 John 4:19, and it reminds us that God's love for us sinners in Christ's sacrifice to save us moves us to love Him and others.