

# Memorial Lutheran School

## BADGERS

### *NEWSLETTER - 19*

### *February 4-8, 2019*

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday, February 8	Joint devotion with Pastor; mission offerings were collected.
Sunday, February 10	K-5 will sing at 10:30 service. Tuition is due.
Monday, February 11	Fine Arts Fair applications and money must be turned in.
Tuesday, February 12	Grades 3-5 travel to Wharton Center
Friday, February 15	Hot lunch is served.
Monday, February 18	No school – Presidents’ Day
Monday, February 25	No school – Pastor/teacher Conference

#### **Happy Birthday!**

February 16          Sophia

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

February 11          Chaffee  
February 18          Clark  
February 25          Collins



#### **FROM MRS. LEITZ**

**Preschool and Kindergarten:** The Kinders and Preschoolers will celebrate Valentine’s Day next **Wednesday**. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Leitz.

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

This week in our study of God's Word we learned about Jesus riding into Jerusalem, the Parable of the Talents and the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. After Jesus was honored as Savior and King He spent several days teaching the disciples and other people. He wanted them to understand that we are all sinners, that

we need salvation, and that salvation is a gift of God's grace. How blessed we are to receive that wonderful gift from God! We gladly hear God's Word to learn more about that gift.

Remember that next Tuesday, Feb. 12, grades 3-5 head to the Wharton Center for the Young People's Concert. Please wear a Memorial T-shirt. There is no cost. I still need one driver.

Next week is also Valentine's Day. On Thursday we'll take a few minutes at the end of the day to exchange valentines and have a little treat. If your child wants to bring valentines that's fine. Just remember that if he or she brings them, they should be for everyone in the room. They may bring for the Kinders if they want. Students will want to bring a box or a big bag for their valentines. In years past the students have decorated the bag or box and prizes have been given to the most creative ones. Please also make sure that your child's box or bag has the student's name clearly written on it so kids will know where to put the valentines. If you want to send in a treat to be shared at the end of the day, fine. No nuts in anything, please.

We will try again to sing this Sunday, February 10 at the beginning of the second service. All are welcome. I'm sorry that we weren't quite ready last week.

Third quarter report cards for most students went home on Tuesday. Please give me a call or text if you'd like to get together to chat about the report cards or anything else of interest.

Maybe next week we can actually have a full week of school!

Have a great weekend!

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**MONTHLY DEVOTION** We did have our joint devotion today. Our next one will be March 1.

Our thankoffering mission project this year is our Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod's mission effort in Vietnam. The Lord has provided an opportunity for our church body to build a theological training center in Hanoi, the capitol of Vietnam. Ours is the first Christian group permitted by the still-Communist government of Vietnam to build a facility directly related to work with the Gospel of Christ! Our synod hopes to receive \$2 million dollars by Easter 2019 for this effort.

**SINGING IN CHURCH** – The students will sing at the beginning of the 10:30 service **this Sunday**, February 10. The students should be in the church fellowship hall at 10:15 (right after Sunday School) to practice the song.

**ICHD** – The technician from the Ingham County Health Department was unable to conduct hearing tests for our students last week. When the new date is determined, we will let the parents know.

**2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR** Our Board of Christian Education has approved the 2019-2020 school year calendar. It is being attached with the printed copy of this week's school newsletter.

**IMPORTANT LETTER** At the January 14 PTO meeting the main topic of discussion was the feasibility of adding grades 6-8 to our school. Our Board of Christian Education continues to do research about how much money that would cost and what impact that would have on the tuition families pay.

The board has prepared a letter to inform you about what was discussed at the January 14 meeting, about the tuition level our board thinks would be necessary to add those grades to our school, and to find out from you what level of tuition increase your family could afford.

The letter is also attached to this week's paper copy of school newsletter. Please take the time to read it carefully, and then provide the information our board is seeking. Note from the letter that it is to be returned to Pastor Voss. He will total the financial figures that our parents submit, but will *not* report to the board the individual amounts indicated by each family.

Please speak to Pastor Voss if you have questions about the letter, or matters related to it.

**HOT LUNCH WILL BE SERVED** Friday, February 15. The menu includes Swedish meatballs, cheese sticks, strawberries, cupcakes and milk.

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

- Monday, February 18 (Presidents' Day),
- Monday, February 25 (Pastor/teacher Conference).

**ILLNESS** If your child is running a fever, please do not send your child to school until the fever has broken.

While students may attend classes while still coughing or sneezing, please do all you can at home, parents, to tell your child(ren) to wash hands often and use tissues. Our entire school family appreciates those efforts to maintain the good health of our students.

**THE FAMILIES OF OUR SCHOOL** will help with the supper before the first Midweek Lent service at our church on ***Wednesday, March 6***. Please mark the date now!

The children sing for the 7:00 service that evening. The supper begins at **5:45** in the church fellowship hall.

You will receive a note about how you can help with the PTO-sponsored meal that will feed 50-55 people.

**CHOIR CONCERT** The annual sacred concert by students from seven Lutheran Elementary Schools will be ***Friday, March 8*** at 7:00. It will be held at **Christ Ev. Lutheran Church & School** north of Oakley. The church and school property is on M-57, a few miles west of the intersection of M-52 and M-57. The intersecting road is S. Hemlock Road. The children will rehearse music at **6:30**.

**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 2**. 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. **Because of the number of snow days, we have moved the date that applications and money should be turned in. Please have that to Mrs. Domke by Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.** (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 26**. 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 Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>** 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.

**SignUp Genius** There is a link to SignUp Genius on our congregation's web site:  
[www.memorialwilliamston.org](http://www.memorialwilliamston.org) .

If you can help in the concession stand for weekend basketball games, please use that link to see what dates and times are still open.

If you have questions about this, please speak to Pastor Voss.

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

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**THE THEME FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR IS** *Lift High the Cross!* Our theme is based on 1 Corinthians 2:2, and it reminds us daily that Jesus entered our world to be our only Savior by His atoning sacrifice.

*“For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.”*

