

Memorial Lutheran School

BADGERS

NEWSLETTER - 20 *February 11-15, 2019*

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, February 15	ICHD technician at school for hearing tests. Hot lunch is served.
Monday, February 18	No school – Presidents’ Day
Monday, February 25	No school – Pastor/teacher Conference
Friday, March 1	Joint devotion with Pastor; mission offerings will be collected.
Wednesday, March 6	Preschool Roundup 9:30-11:00 Ash Wednesday; students sing for service at 7:00 Lent supper at 5:45
Friday, March 8	Kindergarten Roundup 9:30-11:30 CMLAL Concert at Oakley at 7:00 (with practice at 6:00)
Friday, March 15	Hot lunch served

Happy Birthday!

February 16	Sophia
February 20	Evie

School Cleaning Schedule for the week of:

February 18	Clark
February 25	Collins
March 4	Arnett



FROM MRS. LEITZ

Preschool: This week we have learned about the rich man and poor Lazarus and also a rich young ruler. We learned from these two lessons that even life here in earth is not so fun and we go through a lot of hard things if we have Jesus in our hearts we have everything we need. In heaven we will be blessed beyond anything we could

have here on earth. We also learn that we don't want to put anything else above God and that we are sinful and need a Savior.

For math we have been working on putting things in order by size. Three year olds have been working on the letter R and number 9 this week. The fours have started a new story "The City Mouse and the Country Mouse".

*Thank you to everyone for being so flexible and bringing your children on Thursday also. Please remember we have a Monday off.

May you all have a wonderful weekend!

Kindergarten: This week we have learned about the rich man and poor Lazarus and also a rich young ruler. We learned from these two lessons that even life here in earth is not so fun and we go through a lot of hard things if we have Jesus in our hearts we have everything we need. In heaven we will be blessed beyond anything we could have here on earth. We also learn that we don't want to put anything else above God and that we are sinful and need a Savior.

In math we have been working on subtraction, numbers 14 and 15, and finding straight lines, curved lines, and corners. For Super Kids we have been working on letter H. We have started a new unit on community and will also be diving into maps and a little bit of geography.

*I apologize for not getting a note out about our Valentine's Day celebration. Thank you to those that sent things with your children. We had a great day celebrating Jesus' love for us!

*Don't forget we have Monday off.

Have a wonderful weekend!

FROM MRS. DOMKE AND GRADES 1-5

This week in our study of God's Word we learned about how Christians need to understand how they fit into a kingdom of heaven, and a home on earth. Our allegiance is, of course, first to our God. But we must also be obedient to the government, and give our leaders respect, pay our taxes, and the like. Jesus showed the people that with the story of Paying Taxes to Caesar and the Widow's Mite. Even though most of us have concerns and even serious issues with our own government and leaders, God wants us to be good citizens, thankful for what we have.

Thanks to those who were able to sing last Sunday. The song sounded great!

On March 8 the annual CMLAL choir concert will be held. We are hoping for a strong group again this year.

We are starting our class checkers tournament next week. This week the kids played practice games.

Maybe next week we can get through a full week of school. Wouldn't that be great?

Have a great weekend!

GENERAL INFORMATION

MONTHLY DEVOTION Our next joint devotion 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.

ICHD – The technician from the Ingham County Health Department will conduct hearing tests for our students Friday, February 15.

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

2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR Our Board of Christian Education has approved the 2019-2020 school year calendar. It was attached with the printed copy of last week's school newsletter. If it wasn't attached to your family's newsletter, speak to Laurie or Pastor Voss about getting the calendar.

IMPORTANT LETTER Also attached to last week's newsletter was an important letter. Again, if you don't have that letter, speak to Laurie or Pastor Voss to get a copy of it. Here's what we put in last week's newsletter about the 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.

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.

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).

SCHOOL MAKE-UP DAYS? With numerous days missed for snow, cold, and ice, the faculty and Board of Christian Education are considering several possibilities.

Mrs. Leitz has already scheduled a Thursday Preschool day, and there will likely be several more of those. Mrs. Leitz will communicate with Preschool parents to make sure that a Tuesday or Thursday in the upcoming weeks will work for the parents and the Preschool students.

Although there is no school scheduled the next two Mondays (Feb. 18 – Presidents' Day and Feb. 25 – Pastor–Teacher Conference), it would be unfair to ask families to change plans and/or medical appointments that were made for those days to avoid time away from classes.

The Board of Christian Education will continue to discuss things with our faculty. We are committed to making sure that there is sufficient time to provide the instruction necessary to teach all that our curriculum requires for the school year.

Thank you, parents, for your understanding! Safety is the primary concern when the decision is made to close our school. We will continue to communicate with you about any make-up days that will be scheduled.

LENT **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of Lent, is March 6. We will have six midweek Wednesday evening Lent services. The services are at 7:00 PM.

Suppers at church are hosted by different church groups each Wednesday during Lent and begin at 6:00 (except the first one with the school families that begins at 5:45).

We invite you to come to the suppers and be fed with delicious food, and then worship with us after that and be fed with the Word of God. Join your hearts with others as we hear about what Jesus did to pay for our sins that we might have eternal life with Him in heaven.

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

PRESCHOOL ROUNDUP will be held *Wednesday, March 6 from 9:30.-11:00.* If you know of a family interested in preschool for next year, please tell them about this special day and speak to Mrs. Leitz to get an invitation to give to the family.

Children must be 3 years old by September 1 to enroll for the 2019-2020 school year.

KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP at our school will be *Friday, March 8 beginning at 9:30.*

Parents of our current students who have children ready for Kindergarten next school year will soon receive a letter with details about the event. If you know of a family interested in Kindergarten at our school, please speak to Pastor Voss or Mrs. Leitz about getting an invitation for that family.

Children must be 5 years old by September 1 to enroll in kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year.

CMLAL CHOIR CONCERT The children are working on special songs for the annual sacred concert by students from seven Lutheran Elementary Schools. The concert 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 *6:00.*

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

Pastor Voss	517-488-5145/655-2294
Howard Clark, Chairman	517-775-8152
Norm Schlicker, President of PTO	248-930-7735
David Fortin, Secretary	616-481-1128

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.”

