

# Memorial Lutheran School

## BADGERS

### ***NEWSLETTER - 20***

### ***February 10-14, 2020***

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

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
Saturday, March 7	Fine Arts Fair at Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Saginaw
Tuesday, March 10	Grades 3-5 Field Trip

#### **Happy Birthday!**

February 16                  Sophia

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

February 17	Labadie
February 24	Leitz
March 2	McPherson



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

**Preschool:** This week we have learned about how Joshua warned the Israelites to always worship the one true God and not false idols before he died and went to heaven. We want to remember also to worship the one true God and not let anything else take His place in our hearts.

The threes are working on the number 5 and the letter D. The fours have been working on patterns with shapes and colors. For math we have been working on putting things in order from smallest to largest and vice versa.

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Have a great weekend!

**Kindergarten:** This week we have learned about how Joshua warned the Israelites to always worship the one true God and not false idols before he died and went to heaven. We want to remember also to worship the one true God and not let anything else take His place in our hearts.

In math we have been working on adding up to six, comparing the size of containers, and telling time. For Super Kids we have been working on the letter H and learning the sight word "the".

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

This week in our study of God's Word we learned about another judge, Samson. Like in last week's study of Gideon, we learned how God used Samson to help His people fight their enemies. This time the enemy was the dreaded Philistines. While Gideon led an army against the Midianites, Samson was like a one man army against the Philistines. Samson, like us, made good choices and bad choices. He, like us, was forgiven by God. As we learned about Samson's life we see how God-pleasing choices lead to a better life and poor choices take us away from a good relationship with God. We pray that God will give us a heart that chooses to obey Him and to serve Him with joy all our days.

Everyone is working hard and making up sick day work. Thanks so much, parents, for keeping noses to the grindstone so we can catch up! Let me know what I can do to help. With some kids still working to get caught up I'm going to wait until next week to assign the southwest region states for map work in Social Studies 3-5.

I am so pleased with the reading progress all first graders have made! Thanks, parents, for working with your kids when they bring reading home, and helping with any work that is brought home, too. We are in a very good place right now. Reading is strong. Sentence building is going well. Kids are doing better with capitalization and punctuation. Thanks!

I'm also pleased with the response from the kids with our "20 Book Challenge." Some second graders and all 3-5 graders are participating. They are reading independent books and are reading for bigger chunks of time each day. The maturity level for staying focused is high and we will see positive outcomes with this! I'm hoping that all second graders will be participating by the end of the third quarter.

Have a great weekend!

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**OUR NEXT DEVOTION** We had our combined devotion with Pastor Thursday. Our next one will be Thursday, March 5.

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.

**PRESIDENTS' DAY** Please note that our school year calendar includes no school *next Monday, February 17* for Presidents' Day.

**HOT LUNCH** The hot lunch for this month is *Friday, February 21*. The menu will include *pigs in a blanket*, veggies, applesauce, juice and dessert.

**SINGING IN CHURCH** The students in K-5 will sing at our *Ash Wednesday service, February 26* at 7:00.

**THE FAMILIES OF OUR SCHOOL** will help with the supper before the first Midweek Lent service at our church on **Wednesday, February 26**. Please mark the date now!

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 **Wednesday, March 4** beginning at **9:30**.

If you are aware of anyone who might be interested, please speak to Mrs. Leitz or Pastor Voss so that a contact can be made this evening to get information to that family.

Children must be 3 years old by September 1 to enroll for the 2020-2021 school year.

**KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION DAY** at our school will be **Friday, March 6** 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 about getting an invitation for that family.

Children must be 5 years old by September 1 to enroll in kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year.

**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. 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 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!

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.

**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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*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.