Memorial Lutheran School BADGERS

NEWSLETTER - 3 September 18-22, 2017

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed.-Friday, October 4-6 No school – Teachers' Conference

Tuesday, October 10 Tuition is due.

Sunday, October 15 Grades K-5 will sing for 10:30 service

Friday, October 20 Hot lunch will be served.

Friday, October 27 Ingham County Health Dept. technician here for hearing screening

Sunday, October 29 Sunday School and LES students will sing for 10:30 service

School Cleaning Schedule for the week of:

September 25 Clark
October 9 Collins
October 16 Dawley

FROM MRS. LEITZ

Preschool: This week in our Bible lesson we have been learning about how God promised Abraham that Jesus would come from his family line. We also learned that Abraham trusted God enough to pack up his family and all he had to move to an unknown land. We also need to trust God as much as Abraham did.

In math we have been working on counting, for our letters we are still working on letters A and B. The three year olds are still working on their fine motor skills by tracing and coloring. We have also started talking about apples and how they grow in preparation for our field trip next week.

*Parents if you have any questions about the field trip please let me know!

Have a wonderful weekend!!!

Kindergarten: This week in our Bible lesson we have been learning about how God promised Abraham that Jesus would come from his family line. We also learned that Abraham trusted God enough to pack up his family and all he had to move to an unknown land. We also need to trust God as much as Abraham did. We also have learned that Abraham again showed his trust for God so much that he generously gave Lot the first choice of land. We learn that we too can be certain of God's love and care for us that we can give happily to others.

In math we are working on grouping objects, number 4, and matching shapes. For science we are ending our unit on living and non-living things. In super kids we have started working on letter O.

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Have a wonderful weekend!!!

FROM MRS. DOMKE AND GRADES 1-5

This week as we studied God's Word we began learning about Abraham. Many consider him the father of our faith. What an amazing faith he had! As an old man he traveled far from home to begin a new life in the promised land. By faith he believed the almost unbelievable promises of God. By faith he rescued his nephew Lot. In the next weeks we'll learn more about this amazing man. As we learn about him we'll consider how God wants us to live, grow and praise Him.

Thanks to all who were able to sing last Sunday! In October we'll be singing on October 15, our regular Sunday, and on October 29, to remember the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation.

A couple of people have spoken to me about work load, primarily memory work and hymn. Thank you for that! I won't know kids are struggling unless you tell me.

I hope everyone received the notes about the Country Mill field trip and piano lessons. Let me know if you did not.

Please sign the assignment folder/notebook each night, even if your child has not completed all of his/her work. That way I know if you saw the folder/assignment book. Also remember that if your child needs more time you may certainly ask for it.

Have a great weekend!

GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>MISSION OFFERINGS:</u> Mission thankofferings will be collected at the monthly, joint devotion that Pastor will lead the first Friday of each month. These thankofferings are just that—offerings given in thanks to the Lord for His salvation and from the desire to support His kingdom's work where we ourselves are unable to go.

This school year the thankofferings collected will be sent to our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod's (WELS) Christian Aid & Relief.

WELS Christian Aid and Relief provides disaster relief and humanitarian aid to people around the world who have been devastated by natural disasters and other tragedies. The committee also helps individuals with catastrophic medical and personal needs. Currently, money and supplies are being sent to:

- flood-ravaged areas of Texas and Louisiana, where we have a number of congregations and Lutheran elementary schools, including several small mission churches;
- hurricane-hit places in Florida, where we have several dozen congregations, including some with Lutheran elementary schools;
- and to various areas in the Caribbean where hurricane devastation is massive (though our church body's mission in Antigua was spared by our gracious God).

Envelopes will be provided for the children to use at these services. The next one will be *Friday, October* 13 (since there is no school on Friday, October 6).

<u>TEACHERS' CONFERENCE</u> The annual Michigan District Teachers' Conference will be held *October 4-6* in Bay City. As was noted on the 2017-18 school year calendar, there will be no classes that Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday as our teachers attend the conference.

SCHOOL PICTURES Mrs. Voss has agreed to take pictures of our students on *Wednesday, October 11*. We thank her for her willingness to do so!

HOT LUNCH Thanks to Tracy Chaffee and Andreea Labadie for organizing the hot lunch last Friday! The next hot lunch is planned for *Friday*, *October 20*.

<u>THERE WILL BE ANOTHER CROSS COUNTRY MEET</u> for grades 3-8 on Wednesday, October 11. It will be held at the DeVries Nature Conservancy on M-52, just north of Owosso. The races begin at 5:00, with the youngest students running first.

3rd & 4th graders run 0.5 of a mile. 5th graders run 1.0 mile.

Please speak to Pastor Voss or Mrs. Domke if you desire more information about the event.

SPECIAL K-5 FIELD TRIP A member of our congregation has graciously offered to pay for our students and faculty to tour the historic Turner – Dodge House on Lansing's north side. The Turner – Dodge House staff has a special program for school tours, letting students experience what life was like for children and school students in the late 1800s.

The date is **Thursday**, **October 12**. We will leave school after lunch, get to the Turner – Dodge House by 1:00, and be back to school for our normal dismissal time.

We have all the K-5 students and faculty covered for transportation, so we don't *need* any parents or grandparents to drive. However, if any parents or grandparents want to come, they need to speak to Pastor Voss about doing so. *The number of people we can have on our school's tour is very limited*.

<u>AMAZON REWARD PROGRAM</u> Amazon has a program in which 0.5% of qualified Amazon purchases can be given to a charity of the buyer's choice. Here is the link for our unified church & school account to participate: https://smile.amazon.com/ch/38-2130250.

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

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Our 2017-2018 school year theme:

WE RETURN TO GRACE!

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. Ephesians 2:8-9



