



PCA Eagle's Nest News

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Happy 2018 and welcome back!

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and here we are in a new year to get that new routine going!

We would like to introduce a new student to 4th grade! Her name is Alahna Jacobs. Her parents are Chris Jacobs and Nicole Rietter. They reside in Manlius, IL. Let's make Alahna feel welcomed! We are so happy to have Alahna and her family here at PCA!

Early dismissal at noon on Friday!

It is the end of the second 9 weeks grading period on Friday. Report cards will be coming home next Wed., Jan. 17th.

With that being said, this Friday we will be dismissing at noon due to Teacher's In-Service. There will be no bus service at noon for pick-up.

NO SCHOOL on Monday, January 15th due to Martin Luther King Day. Enjoy your day off! We resume Tuesday, January 16th at 8:00 a.m..

The **Box Top for Education** check was received and thank you! Your efforts of collecting paid us \$568! This is great! Thank you all so much for saving those box tops! And thank you, to Miss Beverly Neff for coordinating and volunteering her time to manage this program!

Family Reading Night 2018

Please mark your calendars for Friday, January 26th at 6:30P for the annual Reading Night. This will be a night full of fun, reading, and activities for all the family to enjoy. We will be opening that evening to the public as this time will also be used as our Registration 2018-19 Open House. We ask that you could bring a dozen cookies or everyone to enjoy. Thank you and see you there!

February Hot Lunch Menu is

coming home with your student tomorrow, January 10th and needs to be returned to office by Wed, Jan 17th!

Menu is also posted on website.

PCA ACTIVITY CALENDAR January 2018

Tues, 09	5:30 p.m. Boys BB HOME game vs Deer Park	A,B,C
Thurs, 11	5:30 p.m. Boys BB game @ Deer Park	A,B, C
Fri, 12	End of 2nd 9 weeks with noon dismissal	
Sat, 13, Tues, 16, Thurs, 18, Fri, 19th	Prairie Conf. Boys Bball Tourney	
Mon, 15	No School	
Wed, 17	Report cards are issued to students	
Fri, Jan 19	ACSI Spelling Bee (1-8 gr) at Trinity Oaks, Cary, In	
Mon, 22	ACSI Creative Writing due for grades 4-8	
Tues, 23	Girls Volleyball @ Trinity Catholic	
Thurs, 25	Girls Vball @ Lostant	
Fri, 26	PCA's Annual Family Reading Night & Open House	

PCA Girls Volleyball practice for next week:

Monday(15th) 10A to Noon

Tuesday(16), Thursday(18th) & Friday(19th) 3P to 5P



January 2018

08 - Mrs. Kiser	Vice Principal, English teacher
09 - Noelle Richey	Kindergarten
10 - Carter Grey	1st grade
12- Brayden Bickett	2nd grade
12 - Mrs. Thompson	Librarian
13 - Natalie Richey	6th grade
15 - Kristoffer Benson	1st grade
15 - Andrew Knipper	8th grade
17 - Jonah Taylor	1st grade



From Mr. Odell's desk: (God's Word given to teachers each week and we want to share with you, also!)

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John 15:18-27

18 If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. 19 If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. 20 Remember the world that I said to you, A servant is not greater than his master. If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also. 21 But all these things they will do to you for My name's sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me. 22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. 23 He who hates Me hates My Father also. 24 If I had not done among them the works which no one else did, they would have no sin; but now they have seen and also hated both Me and My Father. 25 But this happened that the word might be fulfilled which is written in their law, "They hated Me without a cause." 26 But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

There will be times, dear ones, when we will feel like it is us against the world. In some ways this is very true. Jesus in this text is preparing His disciples for ministry of the New Covenant of grace, to a not only a lost world, but also a hostile world. The battle against the redemptive plan and purposes of God go back to the beginning of time and man's rebellion against God. We should not be surprised by struggles, obstacles and resistance that results when we share the Truth of who Jesus is and our absolute need for a Savior.

However, there is good news for you and me as soldiers of the cross. John 15:27 promises us the Helper, the Holy Spirit, to testify to us of all the riches of God. Let us cling to this truth through the days.

TEACHER'S NOTES FOR YOU!



Music Notes – Mrs. Marshall

Happy New Year and welcome back!

K-5 music classes did not meet yesterday, due to our school cancellation for weather. I pray all of you stayed safe and warm!

Next week, we do not have school and therefore no K-5 music classes, due to our day off for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. K-5 music classes, God willing, resume on Monday 1/22/18.

As you plan ahead in this New Year, here are some exciting musical opportunities!

Young Performers – Illinois Valley Symphony Orchestra – **Friday 2/23 and 3/11** <http://www.ivso.org/education-2017/>

All band students will be attending the school concert on Friday 2/23. The public performance is on 3/11 at 3:00 pm.

Annual Student Concert – Peoria Symphony Orchestra – **Friday 4/27 morning**

<https://peoriasymphony.org/outreach/guild/educational-outreach/annual-student-concert/>

The 5th grade class is going to this concert. All students 3rd grade and older are welcome! Please see Mr. Clausen if you and your child would like to attend.

A Space Odyssey – Quad City Symphony Orchestra – **4/28 at 2:30 pm** <https://qcso.org/concerts/family-concert-a-space-odyssey> This is a family concert, where they will play space themed music and a NASA astronaut will narrate!

Band Beats – Mrs. Marshall



I pray your musicians blessed you with lots of music during vacation! Lessons resume today. We have brand new music to play and great learning ahead!

Our music representatives visit PCA every Tuesday. If your musician needs anything (reeds, cork grease, swabs, music, stands, instrument parts or repairs), please let me know. They deliver right to our school, saving you shipping costs!

All band students get to take a field trip this year! We will be attending the Young Performers school concert, by the Illinois Valley Symphony Orchestra, on **Friday 2/23** during the day. **We will need drivers!** If you are available to drive, please come talk with me or let the office know. Thank you!



Please note:

The band field trip is part of advanced band grades! If your musician misses this trip, they will be expected to attend a live concert (on their own time) and complete a concert report to receive the points.

As you plan ahead in this New Year, here are two exciting musical opportunities!

Trumpet/coronet players and enthusiasts: here is a concert featuring trumpet player Matt Onstad. One of the pieces he will play is "The Carnival of Venice" (which our PCA Advanced Band played at their spring 2017 concert)!

<https://qcso.org/concerts/masterworks-iv-postcard-from-venice/>

The infamous composer John Williams conducts the Chicago Symphony Orchestra 4/26 – 4/29!

<https://cso.org/ticketsandevents/production-details-2017-18/chicago-symphony-orchestra/john-williams-returns/>

Sonshine Preschool Note ~ Miss Elisha

Theme: Arctic Animals

Bible topic: Disciples Follow Jesus

Bible verse: Matthew 4:19: "Jesus said, 'Come follow me and I will make you fishers of men.'"

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Wed: School

Fri: School

Mon, Jan. 15: No School

Wed, Jan. 17: Carson

Fri, Jan. 19: Mia

1st grade ~ Mrs. Wilson

Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! Thank you so much for the Christmas gifts. I felt so loved!

In Bible we are learning about Jesus when he was a boy. Our memory verse is "And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men." Luke 2:52.

Please make sure your student has boots, snow pants, hats, mittens/gloves for playing outside. The kids love to play outside, but I want everyone to stay warm and dry if we do go out.



Please return December Book-It Reading Calendars tomorrow if you have not already done so.

Please be looking for information coming home this week about the speech contest. We will have one at school for each grade in February and then at ACSI in March. A copy of your child's selection will be sent home this week, so they can practice at home.

2nd grade ~ Mrs. Bickett



Happy New Year!! I hope everyone had a restful and refreshing Christmas break!

The In-House Speech Contest will be here before we know it, please be working with your child on their speech selection. Students doing Bible memorization need to say the reference before they quote the verses and then at the end they need to tell what the verses mean. Students doing poetry selections need to give the title and author of the poem before reciting the poem. Those doing fables need to say the title and author and the meaning of the fable (the part in italics right under the title) and then the fable.

Our verse this week is Matthew 19:26: "Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." We will recite this verse on Friday. Spelling test 16 will be on Friday as well.

This week in math class we will be learning the fourteen addition family, Roman numerals 1-12, and the meaning of multiplication. In English class we will be doing a unit on study skills. We will hopefully learn the letters Cc, Dd, and Ff in cursive.

Book It forms for December are due by tomorrow.



3rd grade ~ Mrs. Cleary

Happy New Year! Welcome back!

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Spelling list 17: Tonight write 2 times and draw lines between syllables

Spelling pretest Tuesday: test on Thursday

Reading: Crossroads both groups; Working on finishing Swiss Family Robinson book reports and do display for Family Reading Night, Friday, January 26th at 6:30P.

Math: Review math facts!! Moving ahead into 7's and 8's families with test on Friday morning

Health: Nutrition

Science: Animal notebooks due on Thursday. Class will review together on Wednesday.

Bible: The Lord's Prayer

Language Arts: Working on book reports

4th grade ~ Mrs. Odell

Happy New Year to you all! We have another year ahead for learning, serving, loving, ministering and for that we praise God!!



Our Scripture passage this week is a quick review of Philippians 2:5-11 and then Isaiah 53:5-7.

We chose speech contest items before break. Your child will compete in poetry, fables, or Scripture.

We are focusing on fractions in math. We are testing on list 17 in spelling on Wednesday then moving on to list 18. Science chapters are about energy – sound and hearing. History is showing how our nation grew.

Thank you to Jessica Hardy, Yvonne Murray and Vickie Anderson for a fun Christmas party! A great time was had by all! Also, we were so blessed as teachers to have an elegant evening of delicious food and fun fellowship hosted by the Grey family. Thank you for your generosity!

We welcome our new student Alahna Jacobs! We are so glad to have a new classmate and friend.

Enjoy your week!

IF We Let God guide, He WILL provide!

5th grade ~ Mr. Clausen

Welcome Back! I hope that everyone had a great holiday!

By now, students should be at least half way through their Nation Notebooks.

Science oral reports will be due in a couple of weeks so be working on those too.

Next Tuesday, we will be doing our second current events. Please be prepared for this.

Next Friday, if all goes as planned we should be ready for a chapter test in History.



Mrs. Cook's Jr. High News:

6th History: Our studies have turned to pre-Civil War America. We are studying the slave trade and states' rights. Students should be reviewing states and capitals for a quiz on Friday.

7th History: This class is studying the Reformation and Renaissance.

8th History: The *Civics Notebook* was due today. We are studying the Jacksonian Era and issues preceding the Civil War.

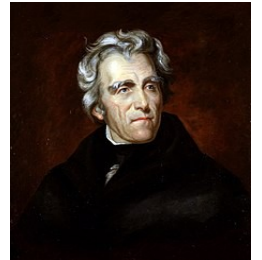
6th Language Arts: We are beginning a new novel this week. Students will have a bit of take home reading nightly. We are on spelling list 13 this week. And, We are trying our hand at writing basic poetry.

7th Language Arts: We are trying to wrap up *Dr. Doolittle* this week, and we will be working on poetry forms as well. Students should expect some reading homework this week.

Spanish: We are reviewing in 8th grade for a mid-year review test. Students should study time, basic question words, and vocabulary. We are working on translation and articles in class. The test is Friday. 7th graders are pressing on with new vocabulary. The seventh grade had projects due today. These will be displayed if possible in our hallway. Come and enjoy them!

Many students have requested new folders and spirals. Please check with your child to see if there are any supplies that they need restocked. As always, your support is appreciated.

Thanks to all who helped in any way make our Christmas party a success! We were all blessed!



**The New Year lies before you like a spotless track of snow,
be careful how you tread it, for every mark will show.**

