

# **PCA Eagle's Nest News**

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### PCA ACTIVITY CALENDAR April 2018

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Tues, Apr 10	4:30P Track Meet vs. Dimmick @ Old Mendota Track
Wed, Apr 11	4:00P Scholastic Bowl Home Match vs. Holy Cross
Thurs, Apr 12	3:15-4:25P Play Practice
	4:00P Track Practice @ Zearing Park
Thurs, Apr 12-1	Fri 13 Parent/Teacher Conferences
Fri, Apr 13	End of Progress Period
	ACSI Jr. High Speech Meet in Beloit, WI - Leaving
	at 6 a.m. from PCA & returning around 4 p.m.
Mon, Apr 16	3:15-4:20P Play Practice
	4:00P Track Practice @ Zearing Park
Tues, Apr 17	3:15-5:30P Play Practice
	4:30P Track Meet vs. Logan @ PHS
Wed, Apr 18	Progress Reports Issued
Thurs, Apr 19	4:00P Scholastic Bowl Match @ Dimmick
Fri, Apr 20	4:00P Track Practice @ PHS
Mon, Apr 23	Scholastic Bowl Tournament @ Deer Park



Norm Vandermoon. Mrs. Kiser and the kids were featured on WZOE radio this past Saturday and did a great job!



Matthew 7:13-27

13 "Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. 14 For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few. 15 "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. 16 You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? 17 So every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. 18 A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20 Thus you will recognize them by their fruits. 21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' 23 And then will I declare to them, I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.' 24 Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. 26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."

As this passage is read the thought comes, to be made new in Christ is the narrowest of escapes. Vast numbers of humanity are casually heading for eternal judgment. Truth is, we ourselves, are in every way worthy of the same judgment.

But we have found our hope in Christ, who opened the narrow way and ushered us through the small gate.



to our PCA students and Staff! April

- 23 Emily Benson 27 - Ella Grey 29 - Arthur van den Berg
- Kindergarten 5th grade 5th grade



Our 5th-8th graders participated in the **ACSI Math Olympics** back in March and they did excellent! The following students received certificates for their high scores: Kimmie Imsland, Ivan Anderson, Cade Odell, Brooke Clausen, Arianne Tirao, Arthur vandenBerg, Christian Rosario, Grady Thompson, Claire Grey, Nick Mecum, Hailey Foster.

Other awards received were: Victor Wealer - 5th Place Certificate; Leah Wilson - 4th Place Ribbon; Titus Cook - 3rd Place Ribbon; Steve Gyurkovics - 2nd Place Ribbon; Andrea Imsland - 1st Place Ribbon; William Marshall - 1st Place Medal & Ribbon.

Each grade had two categories for competition: Math Computation and Math Reasoning. This was a **regional** competitition that our students placed in! We are proud of their hard work and achievements! Praise God for what He has given to us!

## **TEACHER'S NOTES FOR YOU!**

## Sonshine Preschool Note ~ Miss Elisha April 9 - 13, 2018

Theme: "Springtime: Plants & Flowers"Bible topic: Visits with Jesus: Mary, Martha, LazarusBible verse: John 11:25 - "Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life.' "Letter: Review N-ZNumber: ReviewColor: Brown/BlackShape: Review



#### ABC Bag/Snack

Wed, Apr. 11 - Mia Fri, Apr. 13 - Ella Mon, Apr. 16 - Kennedy

## <u> Kindergarten Tidbit ~ Mrs. Whitlock</u>

Our trip to the Peoria Children's Museum and the Peoria Zoo will be Wednesday, May 2. We will leave the school at 8:05. The museum is available for us to explore from 9:15–11:15. Please pack a sack lunch and drink to eat in between the Zoo and the Museum visits. Parking is close by so we can leaves things in the cars. At 12:00 we will have an educational session to learn about some of the animals and then free time to explore the zoo until 2 pm. We should be back at the school by 3:15 pm. There is no cost for the students. The Museum cost for parents and siblings is \$3 each and the Zoo cost is \$9 each for parents and siblings. Please let me know if you can drive and how many you can take with you. Each child will need a car seat so if you are not joining us please leave a car seat for us.

See the front desk for paper work if you are planning to drive. We will need to pay with one check so pay the front office if you are planning on going. A snack will be provided as we head home and a water bottle.



cards.

Mothers that signed up to help with Graduation may want to start getting some ideas together. I have the sign up list.

In Math this week we will review before, after and in between numbers to 100. We will read and write the times on our clocks. Counting by 2's will be introduced and we will begin subtraction. Flash cards of minus, plus and equal signs will be reviewed. Coins and values will be reviewed. Whenever you can review coin names and how munch each is worth. We have done penny, nickel, dime and quarter. There will be a numbers evaluation. Addition flash cards to the family of 7 should be reviewed at home. You can make flash cards on index

The children will write dictated special sounds, blends and one/two vowel words (silent e endings only) in Phonics. New special sounds "ar" as in "star", "ch" as in "church" and "or" as in "morning" will be introduced. The children will pick best ending words for sentences and we will read more quick reading words. Special sounds will be identified verbally and in written form.

Skills development this week will include finding what is wrong with a sentence, poem memorization and practice. The character development of being courteous will be discussed.

Keep reading old Readers and the new Readers. Listen for smoothness and expression as your child reads to you. Your child can read to different people in one night for signatures and more practice.



## Kindergarten Cont'd

In Science we will continue exploring God's Plan for weather. We will put out a rain gauge and make windsocks. We will explore a thermometer and try to fly a kite and test the wind with our pinwheels.

Our Bible story is about how Jesus wanted the little children to come to him. Please pray with me that the children will grasp how much God loves them. We will talk about who spends time with us and how special that is to have them in our lives. Jesus was gentle to the children and we can show gentleness, too, to each other. Our memory verse is: "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such." Mark 10:14b

#### Conferences are this week. If you would like a conference, please sign up on my door.

I am still looking for fertilized chick eggs to hatch. If anyone knows of someone who might have some, please let me know.

--- Mrs. Whitlock



In Bible we will be learning about Accepting Forgiveness and how God restored Peter. Our memory verse this week is "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9

In Phonics this week, we are reviewing our suffix rules, compounds words, homonyms, A-B-C order, rhyming words, and syllables, in addition to learning new special sounds.



In Math this week we are learning to recognize facts in story problems that are not needed and will introduce the concept of probabilities. We are also reviewing carrying to the tens column, fractions, telling time, place value, long combinations (adding and subtracting 3, 4 and 5 numbers), and counting coins in mixed order. Long combinations with 3 numbers will be included in our oral math test this week.

Wow! All students got an A on last week's spelling test! Keep up the good work!

A parent/teacher conference schedule was sent home Monday. Please return to school if you would like a conference. Please let me know if these days/times do not work for you and we can set up another time to meet.

The Pizza Hut Book-It Program is over for this school year. However, there is another reading program for April. Please see the SixFlags Reading Log (blue sheet) that came home last week. Please return this reading log to school by May 1st.

Mark your calendars! We will be joining 2nd Grade on a field trip to the Putnam Museum on Tuesday, May 15th. More details will be coming home soon.

Also, our school year is quickly coming to a close. We will be having an ABC Countdown to Summer and it will start at the end of next week. There will be something special for each day. I will send home a special note next week.



#### 2nd grade ~ Mrs. Bickett

Parents, if you would like to have a parent teacher conference with me, please let me know and we can schedule a time.

Our end of the year field trip has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 15<sup>th.</sup> The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> grades will be going to the Putnam museum in Davenport. We will leave by 8:05 and be back to school by 3:00. We will be touring the museum and watching a giant screen movie called "Oceans". Cost for adults is \$12.00, siblings that are not in first or second grade here will be \$7.00. You can pay this at the museum the day of the field trip.



In Bible class this week we are looking at what it means to grow in faith as we look at Martha. Our verse is John 11:25: "Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; ...." We will recite this verse on Friday. Spelling Test 27 will also be on Friday.

In English class we are continuing our unit on verbs with helping words. In math we will be dividing by 4, adding with carrying to the 1000's place, and multiplying by 5. We are continuing to practice counting by 2's, 3's, and 4's and are working hard on our math facts.

We will learn the letter Yy and Zz in cursive this week and then begin writing words.



#### <u> 3rd grade ~ Mrs. Cleary</u>

Bible - Jesus's miracles out of the Gospel of Mark. How wonderful to read about Jesus's great works of wonder and His loving compassion! We will have a Bible Verse Test this Wednesday, April 11 (Mark 6:34).

Math - We are learning the eight family as a divisor, adding & subtracting measurements. We will test on Friday.

Science - We finished Ponds & Forests and had a test today. Next week we will cover Rocks and Minerals.

Spelling - Test on List 29 Wednesday!

Language - We tested on Linking and Helping Verbs today. Next is Adjectives and Adverbs. We will soon begin writing stories!

History - We are studying Ulysses Grant and finishing the Civil War era.

Health - Dental and Personal Hygiene. The children have learned about how our teeth are structured.

These children are amazing! They have learned so much! Please help them finish those multiplication families 8-12. Blessings to all your families!

Mrs. Cleary

#### 4th grade ~ Mrs. Odell

We are getting acquainted with the Ten Commandments and of course, they are set to music. I love how music seals truth into our brains and hearts!

We will be learning about adjectives and adverbs this week in English. We are testing list 29 in spelling on Wednesday and then starting list 30. We will be practicing "making change" in math. We are learning the Gettysburg Address, states and capitals, and going into "New Frontiers" for history. We will be finished with our science book this week and we will test on astronomy next Tuesday, hopefully. We then begin our health book and take it to the end of the year.

We're excitedly looking forward to our Springfield trip on April 20! We will need to leave at 7:30, so if you have other children to bring, they may sit in the gym at that time. Please confirm if you want to go with us.

Enjoy your week!!



#### <u>5th grade ~ Mr. Clausen</u>

Good job to all the 5th graders who worked so hard on their Nation Notebooks!

We will be needing drivers for upcoming field trips! **April 27** we are going to the Peoria Symphony and **May 4** we are going to Conservation Day at Warnecke Woods. Both of these are great events that the kids love every year! We will need rides for 10 students. Please contact me or the office if you are willing to help.

#### Science ~ Mr. Cornman

6th - Definition of Elements: Atomic names and numbers, Groups of Elements, Periodic Table

- 7th Hemiptera: Half-Winged Insects Homoptera: Same-Winged Insects Diptera: Two-Winged Insects
- 8th First-class lever, Second-class lever, Third-class lever, Forms of Wheel and Axle

MA = Effort arm/Resistance arm

MA = Effort distance/Resistance distance

- MA = Resistance force/Effort force
- MA = Input radius/Output radius



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## **8<sup>TH</sup> Grade Language Arts ~ Mrs. Kiser**

We started our study of <u>Animal Farm</u> by George Orwell today, which correlates perfectly with the study of Russian history the students are doing in Mrs. Cook's class. We will have daily chapter quizzes, so it is important that students keep up with the reading.

We will also finish our grammar chapter on prepositions, conjunctions, and interjections this week, with a chapter test on Friday. Tomorrow there will be a quick quiz over prepositions, on which the students will be asked to list 20 prepositions from memory.

Our Jesus metaphor poems are looking great. We will soon be unveiling the finished product! Watch the foyer bulletin board for that display!

## <u>Music and Band</u> – Mrs. Marshall

This week in general music, we learned about:

K – notes and pitches.

 $1^{st}$  – quarter and half notes, and note reading.

2<sup>nd</sup> – sharp, flat and natural.

3<sup>rd</sup> – conducting patterns. Ask them to show you!



4<sup>th</sup> – our first three recorder notes, A-B-G. Musicians need to bring their folders and recorders to class every week!

**Mrs. Holmes invited the 5<sup>th</sup> graders to sing one song with the junior high choir!** They listened to the song today and will be working with her next week during music.

The spring band and junior high choir concert is on **Thursday 5/10 at 6:30 pm**. We are counting on **all** choir and band students being present!