

PCA Eagle's Nest News

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Congratulations to our Boys Basketball team on winning the Malden Invitational! Your teamwork and dedication showed on the court. We are so proud of you!

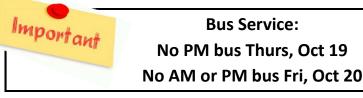


We are very excited to partner with **Yankee Candle Fundraising** again this year, by offering premium products from the world's #1 candle brand. It is our hope that we will reach or exceed our fundraising goal and present our supporters with brand name products that you can actually use and want. PCA receives 40% of every item and all proceeds go directly to benefit Princeton Christian Academy or for those students going to Washington DC in the spring and participate in this fundraiser their portion will go towards their trip! Customers also have the option to order online at www.yankeecandlefundraishing.com where there are more things to choose from. The fundraiser will run from October 20th – November 10th to insure that we will receive the order before Christmas. Contact Amy Thompson if you have any questions at 815-303-3310 or ericamythompson@comcast.net

Field Trip info

Kindergarten & 1st grade: Boggio's field trip is next Thursday, October 26th, leaving the school at 8:10 am. The students will be free but for adults and siblings the cost will be \$6 for a hayrack ride, apple, cider tour and pumpkin picking. If you want to just ride the hayrack it is \$1. We need drivers and car seats for all the children. If you are able to drive please see the office for paper work and copies of your license. The students and parents need to bring a sack lunch and drink for lunch that day. We will return to school to finish our day after our lunch at Boggios. (If a hot lunch was ordered for this day, you will be credited.)

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Please turn in Box Tops as soon as possible to be mailed by the 31st!

Parent/Teacher Conferences ~ Please check with your child's teacher as to scheduling a con-

ference. Some teachers schedule the whole week. Some have a sign up sheet located at their classroom door.

PCA Holiday Sale - Friday, October 27th. From 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bring in those items you are no longer wanting for the holidays and we will put them on our sale tables! We will let our students shop the tables first and they find some really nice gifts for parents, siblings and friends! :) From 4-6:00, we will open to the public to finish off the day. Also, if you can donate any time to help, please let Beverly Neff know. TY!

New address and update for The Wolbrecht's!

19002 68th Street E

Bonney Lake, WA 98391

Our beloved Wolbrecht family has purchased a home in a wonderful neighborhood and they have many fun recreational opportunities right outside their back door. They are doing well and liking their new schools, but they miss us as much as we miss them and would love to hear from you!

PCA MISSION STATEMENT ~ To provide an excellent academic education with a Christian world view based on the absolute authority of God's Word, the Holy Bible.

TRUTH TO TEACH BY

October 15, 2017

Mark12:28-34

28 Then one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, perceiving that He had answered them well, asked Him, "Which is the first commandment of all?" 29 Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments is 'Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. 30 And you shall love the Lord you God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all you mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment. 31 And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." 32 So the scribe said to Him, "Well said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is not other but He. 33 And to love Him with all the heart, with all understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as one-self, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." 34 Now when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, He said to him, **"You are not far from the kingdom of God."** But after that no one dare question Him.

"You are not far from the kingdom of God." What an amazing statement from our Lord. It reflects the widest range of conditions of the heart: either this man was being drawn to the Lord and near a point of decision or he was close but because of unbelief in Jesus as the true Son of God he would never be rescued from the sin which condemns him and all humanity.

One thing is sure, the teaching of Jesus resonated with this man's moral thinking, however, morality is not righteousness. It is right that true righteousness will produce a "morality" which is consistent with the nature and character of God, yet only true belief in Christ alone will save us. Works of morality alone will only bring us to the "not far" position, so we will look saved to men but not to God. Recognizing Jesus as the Son of God, the only acceptable sacrifice for man's sin, is where redemption lies.

Romans 10:9 – *Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.* Do not be fooled by the "masquerade of morality": Many "good" people will spend eternity in Hell. Continue to confront and proclaim: "By grace you have been saved through **Faith**.."

PCA ACTIVITY CALENDAR	Happy Birthday	y to you!
October	Trapp)	
Mon-Fri, 16-20 Girls BB Prairie Conference Tournament		
Fri, 20 End of first nine week grading period		
Mon, 23 Operation Christmas Child begins. Shoebox turn in		
date will be Monday, November 13th. Info will folow.	October	
Wed, 25 Report Cards will be issued	18 - Elise House	2nd grade
Thurs, 26 8:00 am Kindergarten & 1st gr Field Trip to Boggio's	18 - Mrs. Bullington 21 - Micah Harris	Art teacher 6th grade
Thurs/Fri, 26/27 Parent Teacher Conferences	24 - Isabella van den Berg	1st grade
Fri, 28 8 am to 6 pm PCA Holiday Sale	27 - Mr. Tom Odell	Principal,
Sat, 28 PCA Oktoberfest Night	6 th -8 th Chapel,	Scholastic bowl
November		
Tues, 07 5:30 Boys Basketball @ Home vs Dalzell	Have a blessed and	happy day!
Wed, o8 8:30 School Picture retakes		

TEACHER'S NOTES FOR YOU!

Music Notes – Mrs. Marshall

Our K-5 Christmas concert is on Friday 12/8 at 6:30 pm. All K-5 students will perform. We are working on the music in class.

Costumes are assigned by grade:

K and 1st – manger animals

 $2^{nd} \mbox{ and } 3^{rd} - \mbox{ shepherds and angels}$

 $4^{th} \,and \, 5^{th}-assigned \, by \, role \, next \, week$

If you have clothes at home that will work for a costume, great! Please have your student tell me in class next week if you do <u>not</u> and we will see what we have here. Thank you for your help!

Band Beats – Mrs. Marshall

PCA Advanced Band will perform Veterans Day 11/10 morning, which is less than a month away! They have two pieces to work on at home. The more your musicians play at home, the more we can accomplish in our very short rehearsals at school and begin our Christmas music. Thank you for encouraging and supporting your musicians!

Remember to please mark your calendars for Saturday 11/11 evening. Leah Wilson made the ILMEA District Band and will be performing that night. The concert will take place at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois. Let's go cheer Leah on, PCA!



New students in lessons will start beginning band next week. Beginning Band will be on Tuesday from 12:30-1:00 pm in the music/art room. I will post a sign and remind your musicians during lessons today.

Jr. High Choir - Mrs. Holmes

"Oh, come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!" **Psalm 95:1, 2**

What a blessing it is to join together in singing His praise! The Jr. High Choir continues to make progress as we prepare for our Christmas program on <u>Friday, December 15</u>. Please mark on your calendars as we join with PCA band to make melody in celebration of our Savior's birth.

We were thankful to have Matthew Butler (PCA alumni) come and visit our choir yesterday. He is studying to become a music/choir teacher at VanderCook College of Music and is on his Fall Break. He will be a wonderful teacher!

Lastly, our choir is planning to go on a field trip to observe a rehearsal of the Princeton High School Concert Choir. in the near future. The date is not confirmed yet but information will be coming soon. We will need a few drivers to transport students to and from PHS on that school day. Thank you!

Sonshine Prescho	ol Note ~ Miss Elisha	October 16-20, 2017
Theme: Community	Workers/Transportation	
Bible topic: Jairus' Daughter Bible verse: John 10:10 Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life and have it to the full."		ABC Bag/Snack
		Wed: Carson
		Fri: Mia
		Mon, Oct 23: Kennedy
Letter: Gg	Number: 7 Seven	Moli, Oct 23. Kennedy
Color: Blue	Shape: Square	

Kindergarten Tidbits

Thursday, October 26th, is our Boggio's field trip. We will leave PCA at 8:10. Every child needs a car seat. There is no cost to the students. Parents and siblings that would like to join us on the hayrack ride will need \$1 and for all the activities it will be \$5. Everyone is to bring a sack lunch and a drink. We should be able to return to the school by about 1:00.

I will be gone this week Monday-Thursday. Mrs. Glass is taking my place.

Conferences are Oct. 23-26th. There is a sign up sheet on my door. Please let me know if another time is better for you.

In Phonics we will add the letters G, g and R, r in sounds, recognition, blends and read words that include all the letters we know. The children are reading many words, making words out of blends and using the words in sentences. We have three site words; "the, to and do". The students will start writing the words, they can read, to add to our word walls. The students will read phrases and match pictures to the correct phrase (ex; the hat)

G, g and R, r will be introduced in writing and we will practice these and then read the blends and words we write.

In Numbers all the teen family will be evaluated for recognition, forming them with our flash cards and board work. We will count to 20 recognizing what comes before and after the 20 family. Random number recognition will be evaluated 1-20. The 20 family will be introduced and we will count to 50 as a class.

The class read the "Bear Hunt" so we will recite and act it out again.

In Social Studies: We will start Our Great America.

We will continue the story of Samson in Bible time and will have the same memory verse since we had such a short week last week.

See you on Friday.

Mrs. Whitlock

1st grade ~ Mrs. Wilson

This week we continue to learn about Moses and the Ten Commandments. Our memory verse is "This is love for God: to obey His commands." 1 John 5:3a

We are learning to count from 100 to 200! This new concept is a fun challenge!



We will be going on a field trip to Boggio's with the Kindergarten Class on the morning of Thursday, October 26th. If you have not already done so, please let me know if you can drive and how many seats you have available in your vehicle. Thank you!

Great job filling out your Book-It Reading Calendars! I'm so glad to see students reading! Please continue to log the number of minutes your child reads on the calendar and send back at the end of the month.

There is a sign-up sheet outside my room for parent teacher conference times. Please add your name to a time slot this week. Conferences will be Monday through Thursday, October 23 - 26th.



2nd grade ~ Mrs. Bickett

A big thank you to all those who made our field trip to Boggio's a success!! Thank you for driving and chaperoning! It was such a fun day!

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held next week, Monday through Thursday. If you would like a conference please sign up on the sheet hanging up outside the second grade door.

This week in Bible class we will learn about Joshua and the Israelites obeying God's instructions, which allowed them to conquer Jericho. Our verse this week is: "and receive from him anything we ask, because we obey his commands and do what pleases him." 1 John 3:22. We will recite this verse on Friday. Spelling test 7 will also be on Friday.

We have raised \$16.50 to help buy books for children in Costa Rica. We are trying to raise \$45.00 in order to buy the following books: <u>The True Story of the Three Little Pigs</u>, 2 <u>Frog and Toad</u> books, <u>Charlotte's Web</u>, <u>Caps for Sale</u>, and <u>The</u> <u>Box Car Children</u>. If everyone in our class brings in \$2.75 we will be able to buy all these books. Thank you to those who have already brought in their \$2.75.

Keep working on those math facts, we are now up through the nine addition and subtraction families. Continue to read for Book It.

3rd grade ~ Mrs. Cleary

Spelling: List 8: Wed test

Math: Learning basic division and measurements.

Reading Groups: Angelfish - new book called Crossroads, Swordfish - All Kinds of Animals

History: Tues/Thurs each week. Famous Americans starting with Christopher Columbus. It is a great way to start highlighting U.S. History.

Bible: Studying The Sermon on the Mount and the Beatitudes. Bible verse is Matthew 5: 3-4: "Blessed are the poor in spirit...and blessed are those who mourn."

Language: Test on chapter 3 Wednesday. On to chapter 4 - We will be writing letters to our friends.

Science: Vertebrates. In class animal topic presentation next week - all done in class with partner. No stress fun of picking a favorite animal and doing some research to present to class. TEST - end of week TBA.

Field trip will be early November. We hope to go out to Starved Rock Or Matthiesen.

Great work 3rd Graders! Thank you, parents and grandparents for all you do for these little ones at home! It shows in their work.

4th grade ~ Mrs. Odell

We have memorized/sung Psalm 139:1-14. Please read this with your child. It holds such precious truths. God is omnipresent and omniscient and omnipotent and every child is so special to Him-- beautiful! We are also learning Colossians 1:15-17 – "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities: all things were created by Him and for Him. He is before all things and in Him all things hold together."

We will be working on fractions in math. We are learning about the Middle and Southern Colonies in history. We have composing friendly letters and will be learning about verbs in language. We have begun the marvelous world of birds in science! We are testing on list 8 in spelling Wednesday.

We have been talking of some of the struggles of pioneer life and we would like to do some pretending for a day on Thursday, October 26. The children may dress "pioneer" like or even Western and we will attempt to do without electricity in the classroom. I think it will be an "eye-opener" for all of us!

5th grade ~ Mr. Clausen

Please be prepared for a big science test this week as we finish up our 9 weeks.

Next week is our big history test. Please be ready for that as well.

Missionary projects have been assigned. They will be due the second week of November. They are similar to the mammal projects. Students will create a display that should include:

- Missionary's name
- Missionary's picture
- Country of service
- Time period of Missionary
- Major accomplishments
- Quote(s)
- Interesting information

Art Remarks

Kindergarten will be mixing paint to create tints and shades as we learn how to paint a pumpkin.

First and Second grades are still working on individual Mona Lisa recreations.

Third grade is discovering how line can create texture and depth.

Fourth and Fifth grades are creating self portraits. These will be finished with chalk pastels and we will examine what effects we can make with light and shadow.

Sixth graders are each creating a bedroom and must create three pieces of furniture and include at least three student-made textural elements.

Seventh graders are creating their choice of rooms and are responsible for creating all textures and furniture throughout their rooms.

Eighth graders will create all furniture and textures used. At least five different created textures are mandatory. Rooms may be those of a home, a classroom, garage, theater, etc.

As I have been absent, jr high students may take an extra week to complete the room projects if necessary. Oct 25 and 26 will be new due date. We will begin presenting to the class this week.

"A Christian should use these arts to the glory of God, not just as tracts, mind you, but as things of beauty to the praise of God."

--Francis A. Schaeffer, <u>Art and the Bible</u>

