



PCA Eagle's Nest Weekly News



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We have another special day here at PCA this Wednesday! We will be celebrating our pastors! Like Grandparents Day, we will be serving our pastors a breakfast and presenting a program. These are the things we are still needing your help with:

Set up: start coffee, set up plates and things, and kitchen help. This needs to be started before 8:00 a.m.

Serving food

Clean up

Thank you to those who are bringing the following:

Breakfast casseroles: Kirsten Wolbrecht, Jessica Odell, & Sarah Scruggs.

Coffee cake/muffins/bread: Jill Nordstrom, Jill Rumley, & Betty Fisher

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP IN THESE WAYS.

SECURITY DOOR

Our new security system is now installed at the main entrance. When wanting to enter the building, please push the button on the right side of the door. The office will activate the unlocking of the door.

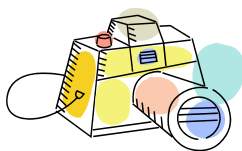
DIRECTORY UPDATE:

The Freeman Family has moved. Their new address is: 18731 1900 N Ave., Princeton, 61356. They do not have a home phone.



SCHOOL PICTURES

Friday, November 7th, school pictures will be taken. Order forms will be coming home at the end of this week.



UPCOMING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

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| Oct. 28 | 6 p.m. | Boys' Basketball game @ Deer Park |
| Oct. 29 | 8:15 a.m. | Pastor Appreciation Breakfast |
| Oct. 29 | | Report cards issued |
| Oct. 30 | 6 p.m. | Boys' Basketball game @ Dalzell A & B teams |
| Oct. 30-31 | | Parent-Teacher Conferences |
| Nov. 4 | 6 p.m. | Boys' Basketball game @ Peru Catholic |
| Nov. 6 | 6 p.m. | Boys' Basketball home games vs. Dimmick |
| Nov. 7 | 5:30 | Spaghetti Dinner for Washington D.C. trip |
| Nov. 7 | 6:30 | Fall Open House & Program |
| Nov. 11 | 6 p.m. | Boys' Basketball home games vs. Ohio |

Kindergarten ~ Mrs. Ackerman

Here is a look at what we will be doing this week:

Phonics: New consonants and blends: *Jj* and *Kk*. Blends are a consonant and vowel sounded together. I will also teach this c/k blend rule: *K goes with i and e; C goes with the other 3, a, o, and u.*

Math: Review: 0 - 18, pennies, counting to 49, right/left, One and Teen families, and writing numbers. New concepts: 20, the Twenty family, reading clocks set to the hour, and writing 9.

Social Studies – America, Our Great Country: In this unit, the students will be introduced to the history and geography of America. This week, the students will learn about the Pilgrims and Native Americans.

Bible – Samuel Anoints Two Kings: The students will know that Samuel anoints Israel's first two kings. They will identify obedience and disobedience and choose to obey. Please practice John 14:15.

Other Notes:

- Reminder: October Book-It forms are due on Friday.
- If you are interested in being a guest reader, please contact me! We would love for you to visit our class with some books from home!
- Officer Rob will be with us again this week to teach us some important safety tips. Also, we learned some fire safety tips from the Princeton Fire Department today.
- Parent teacher conferences for Kindergarten will be held October 28, 29, and 30 beginning at 3:30. **This is a bit different than what you'll find on the school calendar.** Please see the sign-up sheet outside the classroom to reserve your time.



1st Grade ~ Mr. Clausen

Bible Lesson: Gideon

Memory Verse: Psalm 27:1

Arithmetic: Measuring inches, telling time, calendars, measuring inches, counting by 2s, 5s, 10s, addition and subtraction families 1-10

Phonics: Chart 6, 7, 8, 9

Poetry : Indian Children



Spelling:

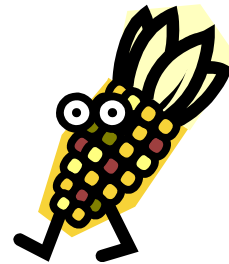
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serve	dirt	shirt
purse	first	third
burn	girl	said
curl	sir	have

2nd Grade ~ Miss Luft

Our verse this week is Ruth 1:16b: "Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God." We will recite this verse on Friday. This week in Bible class we are learning about loyalty as we hear the story of Ruth. We will also be talking about being a loyal friend and what that would look like.

Report cards will come home tomorrow, so be sure to ask your child for them. I am very proud of how well the second graders have done this quarter. Keep up the good work!

Math test 9 will be given on Thursday. We have been working on counting quarters. Have your child count by 25's for you. Spelling test 10 will be given on Friday. We will also have a phonics test on Friday.



3rd Grade ~ Mrs. Finley

This week in Bible class, Jesus teaches some things about who he is. (He is the "Bread of Life", the "Light of the World", the "Door", the "Resurrection and the Life", the "Good Shepherd", and the "True Vine".) Our memory verse is a continuation of last week's verse. This week's scripture is *Matthew 7: 26, 27*. It says, *"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and does NOT put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."* We will have a test over this verse on Thursday. I apologize for putting the wrong memory verse on the back of the homework sheet. It is so similar to last week's that I missed it!

Our Spelling List 9 test will be this Friday.

In math this week, we will learn division with a remainder, how to work money problems, and six as a factor.

We will write a letter in English this week.

In science, we just started our chapter about invertebrates. On Wednesday, we will have a quiz over pages 66 – 73, and on Friday we will have another quiz over pages 74 – 78.

Report cards come out tomorrow. I have a sign-up sheet outside my door. I encourage all parents to come. You may sign up on my sheet or call the office or text me to fill a slot. Or you can send a note in your child's Take-Home Folder on the right side. I am available to see parents after school on Thursday and Friday from 3:30 to 5:30. If you desire a time other than those, please contact me. I'm pretty flexible.

4th Grade ~ Mrs. Odell

Our Scripture focus this week and for the month is I Thes. 5:18; "Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." We are also memorizing Phil.2:5-11.

Thank you for the donations toward the "caps and mittens" and the shoe boxes. What a joy!! We are continuing our "giving" focus toward our community this week. We will be collecting money to buy gloves, mittens, and hats for needy children in our area. I am praying that the children will give from their excess or their own efforts rather than ask you for money. One suggested way is to give up a soda or candy bar and receive the money for the "mitten can" instead.

Our science unit is covering birds. We are also studying verbs in English. Math is keeping us busy learning about factoring which leads into fractions. Again, please practice facts at home.

We will be testing on spelling list 10 Wednesday, and then we will begin list 11.

Have a wonderful week!



5th Grade Language Arts ~ Mrs. Van Den Bussche

**Please contact me to schedule your Parent Teacher Conference. Unfortunately I will be out of town Thursday evening and Friday. I would like to meet with both parents, when possible, as I think it is very important to have everyone involved in the education. Conferences are for parents of all students - those doing well and those struggling. It is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn a little bit more about what we are doing in the classroom, as well as to ask me any questions. I look forward to our conversations just as I look forward to spending time with your children each morning. I am extremely flexible and am available most evenings next week, as well as after class (9:30) other than Tuesday (library day). I am also available *this* Wednesday evening. Email me or call me to set up a time.

Last Thursday and Friday we watched the movie Sounder and are in the process of comparing and contrasting the book and movie. Students will write an essay of such. We have also begun reading in our literature texts again. We will move at a quicker pace than we did with chapter 1. Vocabulary will be tested a bit differently, as well, with two tests being given over the entire unit rather than one quiz over each story. This will help to keep things moving. The students have already been given List 1 and can begin making flashcards. Don't forget about the App I mentioned! It is a great educational way to use technology.

In Grammar we started off our new unit with a bit of a struggle using nouns, though most of it is a review. We will continue on with other parts of speech.

Book-It calendars should be completed Friday. I will wait to collect them on Monday, however, in case we have some late night readers. :)

6th Grade, Jr. High Science and History ~ Mrs. Cook

HISTORY

5th Grade: We are studying India. We will compare Hinduism to Christianity.

6th Grade: Our studies in China have begun. Quiz will be on Wednesday.

5th & 6th Nation Notebook check will be this Friday.

7th & 8th grade: This class is studying the most exciting time in History: The Life of Christ. We will also be studying the early church and persecutions.

SCIENCE

5th & 6th Graders are both studying geology.

7th & 8th Graders are completing lessons on personal health. This unit emphasizes making good choices for physical and spiritual health.

Most of the conference times are on Thursday. Please contact me if you need to schedule a phone conference instead.

Play practice begins next week.

From the Library...

Thank you so much to the following students and their parents for donating books to the library in honor of these students' birthdays. Parents, if you are interested in doing so for your child, please talk with me first. Not only do you want to be sure we do not already have the book you wish to donate in the library, but you might also want to check with me for some ideas. I have already purchased some great new books at discounted prices which could be used as birthday books. Again, thank you. How blessed we are!

Cade Odell-2nd



Victor Wealer-3rd



Hayden Tibbitts-K



6th-8th Grade Language Arts ~ Mrs. Kiser

6th Grade Language Arts:

We are working hard this week to perfect our immigration narratives. The students are doing a great job, and, parents, thank you for your support at home as well. The final draft is due tomorrow, and then we will submit them to the DAR contest on Friday.

Chapter 8 of *Rascal* will be due on Thursday, and our spelling test over List #7 will be on Friday.

It is time for Parent-Teacher Conferences. I have placed a sign-up sheet on our classroom door. Please sign up for a convenient time, or call me at 815-866-1328 to schedule a conference. Report cards will come home tomorrow.

7th and 8th Grade Language Arts:

We are working hard this week to perfect our immigration narratives. The students are doing a great job, and, parents, thank you for your support at home as well. The final draft is due tomorrow, and then we will submit them to the DAR contest on Friday.

In literature we will continue through the poetry unit. We will begin writing the Jesus Metaphor poems at the end of this week. This is one of my favorite assignments in which students select and elaborate on one of the many metaphors used for Jesus in the Bible. Several of these poems in years past were published through the ACSI Creative Writing Contest.

It is time for Parent-Teacher Conferences. I have placed a sign-up sheet on our classroom door. Please sign up for a convenient time, or call me at 815-866-1328 to schedule a conference. Report cards will come home tomorrow.

7/8th Grade Jr. High Math & Spanish - Mrs. Bermudez

8th Algebra I- We are in chapter 6 now. We are working with equations and solving polynomials.

7th Math- We are working on percents now. Students should have a calculator to use during story problems. We will learn how to work percent problems using a calculator as well as on paper. Please be studying and learning your fraction/decimal equivalents. This is a tough chapter for many. We are doing our 9 weeks test.

6th Math- We are working with decimals.

5th Math- We are learning to find the common denominator. We are also changing fractions to mixed and whole numbers.

7th/8th Spanish- We have finished most of our vocabulary worksheets and are starting to use our En Español 1 book.

6th Spanish- We are reviewing things learned. We only have a few pages left of vocabulary. We will begin our Hola book this week.