PCA Eagle's Nest Weekly News

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Another thank you to PCA parents for all your donations and help with the PCA Holiday Sale. We raised \$273.50! It was a great sale and once again, we could not have done it without you!

2016 PCA Eagle Run

We are in the beginning stages of planning the 2016 PCA Eagle Run and we need your help. In order to make the race a success, we will need several volunteers. We are in need of a core committee who will be given specific tasks and we also need race day volunteers. Without the help of many, we will not be able to have the run which is our primary fundraiser for PCA. In the last two races, over \$15,000 was raised for the Academy! Please contact Beth Jones, Race Director at (815) 830-1626 or Kirsten Wolbrecht (815)876-6034 for race updates and our initial meeting date. Many hands will make light work!



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Nov. 24		End of progress report term	
Nov. 25-27	NO SCHOOL—HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!		
Dec. 1	5:30 Boys Basketball home game vs. Deer Park		
Dec. 2		Progress reports issued	
Dec. 2		NO bus service in the afternoon	
Dec. 3	5:30	Boys Basketball home game vs. Holy Family	
Dec. 4	7p.m.	Christmas program	
Dec. 8	5:30	Boys Basketball game @ Dalzell	
Dec. 14	5:30	Boys Basketball home game vs. St. Louis	
Dec. 15	5:30	Boys Basketball game @ St. Louis	
Dec. 18	2 p.m. Dismiss for Christmas break		



Kindergarten Tidbits—Mrs. Whitlock

We have finished all of our letters, sounds and blends. HOORAY! There was a celebration on Friday with ice cream. The students revealed there secret friends and we sang the song *Hooray* for each child.

Now we start our reading groups and get our Readers. The students are picking names for their groups and are excited to get our "I am Learning to Read" books. They will be sent home after Christmas. We are now planning our Open House surprises. The children have picked the Scavenger Hunt places to show you. There will be a sign up for items needed for our "100 Day Party" and restocking our room supplies. Be sure to stop in the Kindergarten room before the "Christmas Program" Friday, December 4.

This week, in Social Studies, we will continue visiting Canada, our neighbor to the north. Victoria (a Canadian girl) will be taking us on a pretend visit to her Grandpa's farm. We will see lots of animals in the wilderness.

In Numbers we are adding the "80 Family" and counting to 100. Please continue to practice all the number from 1-89 with the flash cards I sent home last week. I noticed some cards were still in their book bags. Please look for them. We are adding zero and one to numbers up to 5. The Two Addition Family will be introduced and counting by 10's.

Finding the missing vowel in words will keep the students busy reading and sounding out words. What vowel will make a word. Rule: "When there is only one vowel, it usually says it's short sound." The readers groups will be reading all the blend letters and several words to prepare for our reading books. We will read sentences looking for the sight words; the, a, and to.

In Handwriting we will continue practicing writing letters Q, q, v, e, and i.

Language Enrichment will be introducing poems that end with groups of words that are all the same at the end of a verse. We will discuss the saying. "If at first you don't succeed, try, try, again."

Our memory verse is; "Whoever loves God, must also love his brother." 1 John 4:21. We will carry this verse over to the week after Thanksgiving.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving and enjoy your precious families!

First Grade—Mrs. Tatro

The First Graders are getting ready for our PCA Christmas Program Friday, December 4th, 6:00pm. Be sure to stop by before the program, for an open house of your child's classroom.

Our Bible verse to memorize this week is Psalm 25:4, "Show me Your ways, O Lord, teach me Your paths."

Our Spelling List #10 this week (now 15 words): her serve purse burn curl turn dirt first girl sir stir shirt third said have

Thank you for all you do to help build your child's confidence by preparing your child for Friday's tests on Weekly Bible Verse and Spelling. This week's Bible verse and Spelling list will be tested next Friday, December 4th, because of the 3 days off this Holiday week.

We would greatly appreciate any more centers you could help us set up in our classroom to stimulate the first graders' curiosity about God's amazing world! Possible ideas: Ant View Farm in Gel, Tadpoles to Frogs, Senses: sound, sight: prisms, Roots, Plants, Magnets, Levers, Coloring Books with Scripture.

I am humbly grateful for the opportunity to work together with such helpful parents! I am dedicated to working together with you to train your child in righteousness, so s/he will be equipped for every good work.

Christmas County Spelling Bee

Performance will be on Dec. 4th.

Practices will be on Monday and Tuesday after school. We will be practicing during Tuesday study hall as well, but can only practice for about 35 minutes t hen. I know that several students have conflicts but I urge them to attend as many practices as possible. This week during the tournament, students are encouraged to bring a sack lunch or meal money for concessions and simply stick around.

- Nov. 24 12:05-12:40 all cast & 3:10-4:10 Practice
- Nov. 30 8:30 a.m. Dress rehearsal
- Dec. 1 12:05-12:40 all cast 3:00-4:10 Dress Rehearsal
- Dec. 3 possible 12:05 practice 3:00-ready (@5:30) rehearsal
- Dec. 4 Performance



"I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his righteousness,

and I will sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High."

Psalms 7:17



HAPPY THANKSGIVING !



2015-16 Prairie Conference Boys Basketball Season

Cheer Schedule

ALL GAMES BEGIN AT 5:30 - Please arrive at 5:00pm

We will only cheer at <u>home</u> (in bold) games, which includes Prairie Conference Tournament Games

Tuesday	Nov. 17	Visitor	PCA vs. St. Louis
Thursday	Nov. 19	Home	PCA vs. Lostant
Tuesday	Dec. 1	Home	PCA vs. Deer Park
Thursday	Dec. 3	Home	PCA vs. Holy Family
Tuesday	Dec.8	Visitor	PCA vs. Dalzell
Monday	Dec. 14	Home	PCA vs. St. Louis
Tuesday	Dec. 15	Visitor	PCA vs. St. Louis
Tuesday	Jan. 5	Visitor	PCA vs. Peru Catholic
Thursday	Jan. 7	Visitor	PCA vs. Dimmick

Prairie Conference Tournament at Princeton Christian Academy : 1/11, 1/12, 1/14, times TBA

Practice Schedule:

Saturday, November 28	9:00-11:00
Monday, November 30	3:15-5:00
Monday, December 7	3:15-5:00
Saturday, December 12	9:00-11:00
Thursday, December 17	3:15-5:00
Monday, January 4	3:15-5:00
Saturday, January 9	9:00-11:00

Please remember to let me know if you're unable to make a practice or a game. 815/876-6034, <u>kwolbrecht@gmail.com</u>.