

# PCA Eagle's Nest Weekly News

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## YANKEE CANDLE FUNDRAISER

The sale ends **WEDNESDAY, the 11th. Please turn your orders in tomorrow!**

**HOT LUNCH ORDERS FOR DECEMBER ARE DUE THIS FRIDAY, THE 13TH.**

Thank you to all who have helped in any way with the Prairie Conference tournament! It's amazing when we all work together! Thank you!

This weekend there is a Boys basketball tournament for the 6th & 7th graders. The first game will be Friday afternoon at 4:00 in Ladd.



A big thank you to those who brought food and served for the Veterans Day breakfast. Thank you for serving those who have served us and our country!

## Congratulations to the Lady Eagles teams and their coaches!

Both A team and B team won second place trophies at the Prairie Conference Tournament last week! In addition, J'Kira Wolbrecht took second place in the free throw contest for 7<sup>th</sup> grade. We are so proud of all of you!!! Stop by to check all the trophies in the office window!

## Operation Christmas Child



**The turn-in date for boxes is Monday, November 16th.** PCA students will have their picture taken with all the boxes. Our children count their gifts on Christmas morning, but these children may only receive this one gift for their entire lifetime! Something to think about! Make a memory for that special child & thank you!

### UPCOMING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Nov. 13-14		Boys Basketball tournament in Ladd
Nov. 16		Turn in shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child
Nov. 17	5:30	Boys Basketball home game vs. St. Louis
Nov. 18		Picture Retakes
Nov. 19	5:30	Boys Basketball home game vs. Lostant
Nov. 24		End of progress report term
Nov. 25-27		NO SCHOOL—HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!
Dec. 2		NO bus service in the afternoon

### Elks National Hoop Shoot

Free Throw Contest  
Saturday, Nov. 15 @  
1 p.m. @  
Logan Junior High

## 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!

### First Grade—Mrs. Tatro

The First Graders are excited about our upcoming Field Trip to the House Meadow Haven Farm on Monday, November 16. We will leave PCA at 12:40pm. We will return to PCA before 3pm dismissal.

**\*Please leave your child's car seat\*** by the office that morning. This will be required for your child to participate in the field trip. Thank you to our 3 parents who volunteered to help drive the students to this field trip.

Text Mrs. Tatro 815-592-7176, if you have any questions.

Our Bible verse to memorize this week is Psalm 106:1, "Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."

In place of a Spelling List this week, we will be memorizing a poem:

Indian Children by Annette Wynne  
Where we walk to school each day  
Indian children used to play-  
All about our native land,  
Where the shops and houses stand.  
And the trees were very tall,  
And there were no streets at all,  
Not a church and not a steeple-  
Only woods and Indian people.  
Only wigwams on the ground,  
And at night bears prowling round-  
What a different place today  
Where we live and work and play!

Thank you for all you do to help build your child's confidence by preparing your child for Friday's tests on reciting the poem and Bible verse.

Thank you to Elyse's Mom for repairing our toy monkey's injured arm.

Thank you to Hayden's Mom for surprising us with a new class pet, a beautiful fish!

The students have named him **\*Sparkle\***.

Thank you to Marek's Mom for surprising us with a set of 50 markers to add to our Art Center.

Thank you to Leah's Mom who helps with Reading Group/Seatwork time on Wednesdays.

Thank you to Parker's Dad who helped with Reading Group/Seatwork time this week.

Thank you to Abby's Dad who helped with Reading Group/Seatwork time this week.

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.

## Miss Luff - 2nd Grade

Our verse is I Samuel 17:47 "All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give all of you into our hands." We will recite this verse on Friday. Spelling test 12 will also be on Friday.

We are continuing to collect items for our Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. So far we have some school supplies, toothbrushes, and toothpaste. Thank you for your help in sharing gifts with others who have so little compared to us. Please have items to school by November 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Fourth Grade—Mrs. Odell

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

Thank you for all the donations toward the shoe boxes. We are continuing our "giving" focus toward our community this week. The children have had a bake sale to buy gloves, mittens, and hats for needy children in our area. They are also donating a big share to Maria, our sponsored girl in Peru. Thank you, parents for your contributions of baked goods to help this endeavor.

We will be starting compare/contrast writing in English later this week. 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 12 Wednesday, and then we will begin and do list 13. Have a wonderful week!

## Eighth Grade, Jr. High Math, 1st-6th Spanish — Mrs. Anderson

Math:

8th grade- finish up inequalities, start graphs, tables, & positive / negative numbers (signed numbers)

7th grade- continue Banking (checks, deposits, balancing check books, etc)

6th grade- continue working with Percents %

Spanish 1-6:

Introduce "food" vocabulary



## 7th & 8th Grade Literature & Language Arts - Mrs. Kiser

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Literature:

In literature we are enjoying reading the novel, THE VOYAGES OF DR. DOLITTLE, in the literature textbook. We have reading comprehension quizzes almost every day, so make sure your student keeps up with the assignments.

In composition we started the Jesus Metaphor poems for which students choose one or two of the many metaphors for Jesus contained in the Bible and create a poem about that. Get ready for some amazing poetry!

We have also begun working on the spelling bee words for the Bureau County Spelling Bee in February. We are having some fun spelling bees in class!

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts:

In literature we just finished reading the wonderful novella, THE FORGOTTEN DOOR. It is an allegory, and we had a good time figuring out all of the symbols in the story. We discussed some of the allegories (parables) of the Bible, and now we are working on writing our own allegories in either story or poem form. The test over the novella and the short allegorical story, "The Very Old Man with Enormous Wings," will be this week on Thursday, along with the vocabulary test from the novella words.

In grammar we are trying to finish up the long chapter on verbs. The chapter test will hopefully be coming up soon. We are also working on Bureau County Spelling Bee words. Hopefully, this will help to improve our spelling skills as we conduct our own classroom bees.

## 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 then. 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. 16	3:10-4:10	Practice	Bring costumes for approval
Nov. 17	12:05-12:40	Pictures	Students should have costumes here
Nov. 17	3:10-4:10	Practice	
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	