

PCA Eagle's Nest Weekly News

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Welcome to the 2014-2015 school year! We look forward to and are excited to see what God will do in this school year.

Each Tuesday you will be receiving this take-home note via hard copy or e-mail. If you are receiving this via hard copy and would like to receive this via e-mail, please e-mail the office at the above address.

Lunch & Milk cards

The price for a hot lunch is \$2.75 which includes milk. To purchase a milk separately is .30. You may purchase your lunch daily or you may purchase a lunch card. A card with 10 lunches costs \$27.50 or you may purchase a lunch card with 20 lunches for \$55.00. You can purchase a milk card with 10 milks for \$3 or 20 milks for \$6. Please make your check payable to PCA or bring the exact amount.

BCR News alerts: We highly recommend that you sign up for the BCR News alerts if you haven't done so all ready. If your phone cannot get the news alerts, please let the office know. This is the greatest means we have to let our families know if we have a school closing, an early dismissal, and more. We want to make sure we keep our PCA families in the loop. Thank you.

UPCOMING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Aug. 26	6 p.m.	Basketball home game vs. Dalzell
Aug. 28	6 p.m.	Basketball game @ Peru Catholic
Aug. 31	6 p.m.	Fall Youth Group Kick-Off for Princeton Bible Church
Sept. 1		NO SCHOOL—LABOR DAY
Sept. 2	6 p.m.	Basketball home game vs. Dimmick
Sept. 3	8 a.m.	First day of Sonshine Preschool
Sept. 3	6:30 p.m.	F.A.T. Wednesday PBC's youth group 7-12th grades
Sept. 4	6 p.m.	Basketball game @ Deer Park
Sept. 9	6 p.m.	Basketball home game vs. St. Louis
Sept. 10	6:30-8 p.m.	PBC's Awana begins for 3 years to 6th grade
Sept. 11	6 p.m.	Basketball game @ Lostant
Sept. 16	6 p.m.	Basketball game @ Dalzell
Sept. 18	6 p.m.	Basketball home game vs. Peru Catholic
Sept. 19		End of progress report term
Sept. 19		NOON DISMISSAL/TEACHER IN-SERVICE

Computer Class students
in K-5 grade:

Please make sure you
bring headphones for
computer class by this
Friday.



GRANDPARENTS DAY

OCTOBER 20

@ 8:30 A.M.

Kindergarten ~ Mrs. Ackerman

Welcome to Kindergarten! The school year has gotten off to a great start! We had a great first week together learning how to be in Kindergarten and getting to know each other. I am looking forward to a wonderful year with your children. Last week the students learned how to use glue sticks and scissors properly. In phonics, they were introduced to the capitol *I* and little *i* as well as the sound it makes (the short *I* sound). In math, they practiced counting to 10 and recognizing the numbers 1, 2, and 3. Here is a look at what we will be doing in class this week:

Phonics: Review *li*, learn *Uu* and its sound (short u), and writing *li* and *Uu*.

Math: New concepts: color patterns, 4 and 5, different; Review: 1, 2, and 3.

Bible –God Made My World: The students will know that God creates the universe, including Adam and Eve. They will express thankfulness for God’s Creation. Please practice Psalm 24:1a. “Sticker Day” is Friday!

Other Notes:

- I want to pass along to you that there is a student in our class with a peanut/ tree nut allergy. Please be mindful of that if treats are sent to school for any reason. I will have a list of safe ingredients/ treat options that I will pass along to you as soon as I can.
- Please keep the school dress code in mind as you get your children ready for school. Girls should wear shorts under dresses or skirts as a means of modesty.
- We will begin memorizing “The Little Turtle.”
- We will do *Show and Share* on Friday.

Buster will go home with Abby for the weekend. Remember to make an entry in his journal and bring him back to school next Tuesday (since we don’t have school on Monday).



1st Grade ~ Mr. Clausen

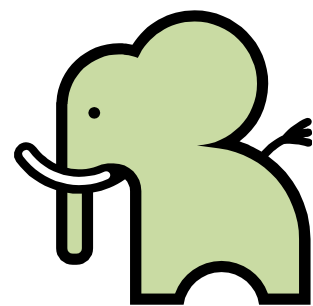
Bible Lesson: Creation

Memory Verse: Genesis 1:1

Arithmetic: Counting, number formation, patterns, addition and subtraction families 1-10

Phonics: Chart 6

Poetry : The Elephant

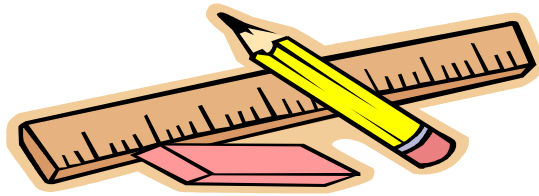


2nd Grade ~ Miss Luft

Wow! Another school year is off to an amazing start! Thank you parents for letting me have the privilege of teaching your students. I am thoroughly enjoying each one of them.

This week in Bible class we will continue to learn about Abraham. We will be learning about obedience and prayer as we look at Abraham's life. Our verse is Psalm 78:1: "O my people, hear my teaching; listen to the words of my mouth." We will recite this verse on Wednesday. Your child will have a card on a ring with the verse on it. They will keep this ring in their travel binder in the zippered pouch. A copy of the current spelling list will also be in their travel binder.

We will have our first spelling test this Friday. Reading homework will begin next Tuesday, Sept. 2nd.



4th Grade ~ Mrs. Odell

Again, I wish you a "Happy New Year"! We are off to a wonderful beginning. I do look forward to knowing the students better, and you, too! This is going to be a great year growing in learning and relationships.

We have started off by memorizing II Tim. 3:16, and Phil. 4:8 and we almost have Psalm 1, too. These kids are so good at memorizing!!

We have begun the year with a rain forest theme. We will be learning about the tropics, some of the people groups of the jungles, learning of animal and plant life there, and we will be "digging" into study methods of God's Word. We will be using different study, discovery, and reference tools.

We are reviewing concepts in math and we will test on list 1 in spelling tomorrow. We are starting to study insects in science this week so if you find any interesting specimens, the kids may bring them in for observation.

We have started a bit of homework. Your child should be studying spelling and math facts as often as possible even now.

Our afternoons are long and we are realizing that we have time to have a snack break around 1:30.

Have a fantastic week walking with the King!!

5th Grade Language Arts ~ Mrs. Van Den Bussche

The students are adjusting well to life in the junior high hall. Most are coming to class with the necessary materials and have their lockers organized as they should. These things are so key to a successful school year. Especially now at the beginning of the year ask your child to show you his/her planner each evening and discuss the day's activities. This will help as the students transition into more independence with their studies. Help them be accountable and encourage excellence.

Wednesdays will be Spelling test days with a pre-test given on Mondays. Students are not required at this grade level to write their words daily, though daily independent study is encouraged. A new list will be given out each Wednesday. The first Spelling test is tomorrow.

In Grammar we have begun the year studying sentences.

Our first story in Literature is "Samuel's Choice". There will be a vocabulary quiz on Thursday this week with a test over the story planned for Friday. This may change depending on how we progress so check with your student. The students wrote a short journal entry or essay that was due today.

Such a blessing each and every one of these students is! They have risen to the challenges I have placed before them. They have already - in just 4 short days - shown growth in integrity, honesty and the desire to do their best. I pray they are working for the Lord. (Col. 3:23)



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

Science:

7/8th graders: We are studying the scientific process—Quiz over pp. 14-17 on Wednesday

5/6th graders: We are deep into the insect collection and study! Rubrics went home already pertaining to the project. Projects are due Sept 5th! Fifth graders will need 40 insects, and sixth graders will need 45. Please don't send before Sept. 5th.

History:

7/8th: We are studying Sumerian Culture (Creation, Flood & Dispersion are included.)

5/6th: We have been busy learning basic geography facts. We have also been defining governments and cultures. And we completed a basic study of early history from a Biblical perspective. Next quiz will be on Friday over p. 11-16 and geography facts 2 & 3.

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

7th/8th Grade Parents: Welcome to a new year at PCA. We are off to a great start. I just want to give you a couple of reminders. LUNCHES- cost is \$2.75. You may buy lunch cards for \$27.50 10 lunches or \$55 for 20 lunches. This is the best way! If you are paying for lunch by the day, please send the exact amount. INFORMATION CARD-I am still missing a couple of info cards. Please stop by the office and fill one out.

8th Algebra I- We have made a change for our 8th grade students for this year. They will all be taking Algebra I. This will prepare them for high school better. This may be a challenge for some, but I believe everyone is able and ready to do this. We will work together and take our time on new things. One thing that is very important is for students to be careful and SHOW THEIR WORK. Please see me if you have any questions or concerns. LET'S RISE UP TO THE MATH CHALLENGE!

7TH Math- Welcome to 7th grade! Welcome, Chris and Rhiannon, to PCA. We are glad you are here. We have been doing our basic review of Math and numbers. We are off and doing well. Keep working hard and showing your work.

6th Math- Welcome to 6th grade Math! Welcome, Anya and Elana, to 6th grade and PCA. We are still working on the procedures and basic Math. Keep up the work!

5th Math- Welcome to 5th grade Math! Welcome, Elena and Drew, to PCA. I am so excited to be teaching you all this year! We are doing better with our procedures. Please be assured that we are gracious and helpful ☺ .

7th/8th Spanish- We are learning our A,B,C's in Spanish. We are making a book using a word for each letter of the alphabet. We will be going over numbers, colors, and shapes this week.

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Attention ALL 5th-8th Grade Students

I'm excited to offer instrument lessons during the school day again this year. To spark your interest, a representative from Kidder Music will be coming to showcase various instruments for the 5th Grade class and any interested 6th-8th Grade students as well. The presentation will be Friday, August 29th at 12:00pm. During this time, the students will be able to look at, listen to, and try out the general band instruments; flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, and trombone.

If you are interested in learning an instrument or continuing your study, please come by the office to pick up more information about the lessons or feel free to give me a call. I would love to talk with you about your interest in music. Have a great start to the school year!

~ Mrs. Batchelor
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