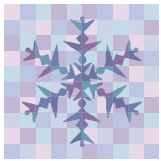


Dubuque Lutheran School Doings

February 20, 2007

National Lutheran Schools Week will begin with our annual Silent Auction on Sunday, March 4th. Each family will receive several copies of a letter that can be mailed or given to extended family, neighbors, friends, etc. Our students will write a name on one or more of these letters and enclose them in an envelope to address at home. It is our hope that families will mail these invitations for the auction and increase the participation of bidders. This is our major fund raising event of the year and your support is critical to its success. The various volunteers who are organizing this effort appreciate everyone's help. Thank you for getting the word out about our school and this auction. Last year more than \$5000 was raised, even with a snow storm. Our prayers are for good weather and generous donors and bidders.



The day of June 1 will be the **make up day** for snow days taken so far. Let's hope we do not have to have any more Snow Days this year! Hopefully, the students can play outside in the snow...please send the snow gear!

If you see a lot of activity in the building today, it is because Kennedy public school holds their Kindergarten Round Up in our building. Please be extra careful in the parking lot and be sure to tell parents you know about our school!

From Mrs. Kasemeier's Class

Because of the two canceled days last week, we are continuing to work on some of last weeks lessons. In religion we will read about the ten men with leprosy and the two men who prayed. God does not like the wrong things we do, but He continues to love us. We are not perfect people, but God has perfect love. Jesus led the perfect life for us. He won the victory for us and we will go to heaven because of Jesus' goodness. God calls us to repentance and wants to forgive us.

In math, the first graders will continue to add 10 to numbers. The second graders will round to the nearest 10 and work on estimating and counting large collections.

On Friday we will be going to Petco. Please remember to have your child read each night. There are not many days in February left. Please remember to mark your Book-It chart for the month.

Sharing the love of Jesus,
Mrs. Kasemeier

From Mrs. Schubert's Class

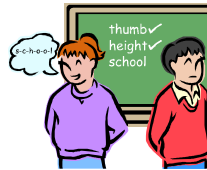
Kindergartners will be continuing their reading about animal adventures and animal habitats. They will be writing more animal riddles this week, using the words they have learned and the animal facts they have studied. Math stations have been popular. Ask your child which is his or her favorite station to make number combinations. This week we hope to progress from combinations for 4 to combinations for 7. Using these manipulatives will enable the students to internalize the math concepts for the numbers.

The Good Samaritan will be the Bible lesson this week in Kindergarten. Jesus told us to be kind to our neighbor. In our classroom, we often help each other. This week the class will see that we are able to help and love each other because Jesus helps and loves us, first. Watch for good helpers at home!

From Miss Klinge's and Mrs. Unsen's Class

I hope everyone had a fun week and enjoyed Washington's birthday yesterday.

We had some excellent spelling during our spelling bee last Friday. Six students, Katie Stringer, Grant Kincaid, John Lockwood, Megan Barz, Zach Barz and Kathrine Stender will go on to the Iowa District East Spelling Bee in Cedar Falls on March 3. Benjamin Smith and Frederick Smith were the alternates. Be sure to congratulate each of our fine spellers when you see them.



Onomatopoeia is not one of the spelling words, but that is what the third graders are studying this week. Ask your student what that means!

The fourth and fifth grade will record a reader's theater production about Archimedes. The play tells how he solved the mystery of whether the king's crown was made of pure gold or gold and silver. We will use this script as a basis for researching other discoveries of Archimedes and Sicily where he lived.

We are at the end of our study of the Northeast in social studies. The third, fourth and fifth grades will have a test on Friday or Monday over the history and economy of this region. We will study our own home, the Midwest, next.

On Thursday, we will weave baskets for the Silent Auction. A lady who does basket weaving will come in and teach the class how to make a basket. It should be interesting and fun. You'll have to come to the auction to see the baskets to purchase and bring home.

In Christ's love,
Miss Klinge

Our Administrative Assistant, Delaine Haack, will be out of the office this week and next...please welcome Mrs. Kalyanapu who will be sitting in her place. Thank you, Mrs. Kalyanapu, for volunteering!

Young Peacemakers is a program to help students learn conflict resolution in a Biblically based manner. Pastor Cearlock will begin this program in the 3,4,5th grade classroom on Monday, February 26 and continue to meet each Monday and Friday morning. Watch for booklets that parents can review with their students. There will be some homework assigned, in order to cover the material in a timely manner. And it is hoped that taking time to prayerfully reflect on the lesson, having discussions with parents and completing assignments will encourage each student to learn how to prevent and resolve conflict. The Biblical principles of confession, forgiveness, communication and character development are the basis of this system.

Because the students will be singing in church twice in March and also for Special Friend Day, words and music will be sent home today. Please practice these songs with your students....Thanks!

Important Dates

Friday, February 23

PetCo Field Trip for Kindergarten - Second grade

Friday, March 1

Fresh Fruit Friday, apples provided by Kindergarten
E noble Manor for First and Second grade

Saturday, March 3

Iowa District East Spelling Bee in Cedar Falls

Sunday, March 4

DLS to sing at Our Redeemer's 10:30 am service

DLS Auction from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at Kennedy School

Monday, March 5

Bible Character Dress Up Day for students

Tuesday, March 6

Field Trip - Play in Platteville, WI (Drivers needed)

Wednesday, March 7

Open Classroom - Dress Up Day

Thursday, March 8

Field Trip - Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium
(Drivers needed)

Friday, March 9

Grand Friends Day with Crazy Hat Day

9:00 am Chapel

Sunday, March 11

DLS to sing at St. Paul's 9:00 am service

Lent begins this week with Ash Wednesday. Lutheran churches celebrate Lent, a 40 day season of the church year, from Ash Wednesday to Easter, not counting Sundays. The lessons, hymns and worship focus on the ministry, suffering and death of Jesus. We know that our sins have cut us off from God, and each one of us deserves only God's anger and punishment eternally. But the season of Lent recalls for us how God in His mercy sent his sinless Son, Jesus, to take our sins upon Himself and receive sin's punishment by dying on the cross for us. Now we can be forgiven and granted life in Heaven forever with Him.



We begin this season with ashes, to remind us that we "are dust and to dust we shall return." (Genesis 3:19) Ashes are associated in the Bible with sorrow over sins. The 40 days of Lent are days of preparation, a time when we ready

our hearts to remember Jesus' suffering and death for our salvation. The color purple signifies repentance...we seek to confess our sins and turn to Christ. The culmination of this season is Holy Week, when we recall the accounts of Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday...and then the greatest celebration of all... Resurrection on Easter Sunday! Special Lenten services are offered at both of our supporting congregations on Wednesday evenings. All families are welcome to worship these additional times during Lent. The services begin at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Check out

<http://www.lcms.org/ca/dcs/ECConnections/search.asp?keyword=Lent>.

In the love of Jesus,

Mrs. Schubert