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Special Activities this Week:

Happy Lutheran Schools" Week!!! What a blessing it was to celebrate the love of Jesus together every morning in our school! We thank the Lord that we are able to share the Good News that Jesus is our Savior throughout our curriculum.

- We learned how Jesus cared for His friends at a wedding and through a miracle showed He is God.
- We had so much fun celebrating National Lutheran Schools' Week! On Monday students dressed up in clothes to represent a favorite decade. They also went on a prayer walk with our chapel buddies. The kids made a special bookmark as they remembered to pray for: family & friends, people who give directions, leaders, those in need, and self. On Tuesday, the students dressed up as tourists. They also wrote thank notes to give thanks to the congregation for their support. On Wednesday, the students dressed up in pajamas and enjoyed a delicious breakfast at school. On Thursday, the students dressed up in their favorite holiday clothing and had a dance party in the gym. Finally on Friday, the students wore clothing that shared their love for Jesus and they also enjoyed sharing the morning with their special people.
- Large paper coins were made to help practice money identification. These are used with "The Money Song" to help learn a variety of characteristics about each coin. They hold up each coin when the song specifies the name, value, president, building, etc. Help your child at home to practice money identification as well. They should be able to name each coin and each value. This will be assessed in the next week or so. We also learned that the word "mint" is not just for candy. We saw pictures of the U.S. mint. Have your child sort coins into piles of pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters. Then count by ones, fives, tens, and twenty-fives to find the value of each pile.
- Groundhog's Day was fun as the students became "shadow detectives". They learned many interesting things about shadows as they sorted photos, manipulated a light machine on a Science website, and investigated properties of light and shadows using groundhog puppets and flashlights.
- During literacy centers the students learned strategies to help good readers. They learned to stretch out smaller words, look through bigger words to find "chunks" they know, look for differences in words, and learned that some words just have to be memorized to be able to read them quickly. They had fun making a "Chunky Monkey" to help them remember to look for little words inside of big words. They also practiced ending sounds with a board game and practiced making real and nonsense words with a spinner game. It was fun to find the results of a survey that determined if more kids like candy or cards for Valentine's Day.
- During Math, students have been learning that numbers in the teens are a set of ten and some extra ones.

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 4-7Assessments for second trimester
Please help your child review skills, especially sight words. You can find the list below, under
homework.
- Feb. 7 One hour late start
- Feb. 13 Valentine's Day Party Mrs. Borcherding will be contacting families hosting the party. There will be 4 rotating activities: snack, craft, table game, & floor game. Parents hosting may arrive at 1:45p.m. to help set up for the party.

Your child may make valentines at home to bring in to share with his/her friends. We will be making special bags for the valentines. Just have your child print the first name of each classmate on the valentine. (not last name, with the exception of David B. and David G.) Your child may sign To: _____ and From: _____. Here is the list of names: Dallas, David B., David G., Nora, Rachel, Juno, Robmade, Allesia, Harper, Nolan, Ruby, Lillian, Sylas, Elianna, Shalom, Kate, Cora, Mason, Madelyn, Megan, Teddy, and Natalie.

Feb. 14 & 17 No School

Feb. 21 One hour late start and end of second trimester

February 24th @6pm - PTL meal prep/tupperware event. Join us for a fun event. You will prepare 5 ready to go meals in your 5 new pieces of tupperware. See the sign up genius <u>HERE</u> for details and to sign up. This was a huge hit last year! Sign up deadline is February 14th.

Feb. 28 Report cards go home.

March 4 Muffins with Mom at 7:45a.m.

March 6 One hour late start

March 9 PTL meeting at 6:30p.m.

Homework

Memory Work for Friday, Feb. 7 is: [Jesus said,] "Let the children come to Me." Mark 10:14

Books to Save: In and Out When Night Comes The Winter Games

<u>1st Tri. Words:</u> a, can, I, me, my, the, God, go, up, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, black, white, brown, pink, tan, gray, an, at, do, eight, five, four, in, is, it, like, nine, on, one, see, seven, six, ten, this, three, two, we, am, and, as, did, saw, that, have, yes, no, not, has, sees, was, look

<u>2nd Tri. Words:</u> Jesus, are, need, God, for, now, went, here, to, come, you, with, what, be, from, of, all, who, <u>there</u>, give, many, love, if, would, wear, where, put, will, but, so, does, came, how, find, they, he, want, your, <u>she, when, into</u>, <u>out</u>, home, soon, could <u>*****These are all of the second trimester words. I will begin testing to see if students know these words next week, starting on Feb. 4. Please help your child to learn and review these words. Thanks!****</u>

Please help your child learn to put on a coat independently and know how to zip and fasten it. Also, please help your child learn to put on shoes without assistance and also help your child learn to tie his/ her shoes independently.

If we have snow and an air temperature that does not have a windchill in the teens or lower, we will go outside if children are dressed appropriately. You may send boots & snow pants so your child may play in the snow. Your child does not have to leave these at school. They can bring them home so you do not have to purchase an additional set for home. Please send a bag for your child to carry/store these items so it can be placed on their hook. Thanks! Also, wearing snow boots all day are hot and uncomfortable. Please send other shoes to change into on snowy days. Also, anklets seem to come off in the boot. Longer socks work better.