

### **Classroom News**

By Eli Holub

This week in Phy. Ed., 5th and 6th grade finished their unit about kickball. There was a lot of versions of kickball we tried, but our personal favorite was "big base". Also our students of the week were Alexis and Beau! Congratulations Alexis and Beau! Also, this week we decorated our classroom. Hope that everybody has a great rest of the week!



<u>Hot Lunch</u> – If you haven't ordered Hot Lunch tickets yet, you can get them in the office. Prices are at \$3.25, per lunch. A listing of next month's menu is attached.



Wednesday (Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>) – Baked French Toast Thursday (Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>) – Cheesesteak Hoagies Friday (Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>) – Mini Corn Dogs & Taters Monday (Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>) – Pasta with 2 Sauces

Tuesday (Dec. 13th) - Super Nachos



<u>School Wishlist</u> – During the year there are items that come up that were not originally budgeted. We put these on the "School Wishlist." If you wish to donate to any of these, please contact the office or the teacher associated with the item:

Soccer Ball Rack - \$409
School Basketball Uniforms - \$1000 Left.... – (\$2500 raised this year from FFL activities! Thank you!)\_
Projector Screen (for school chapel) - \$100

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<u>Illnesses</u>-If your child is going to be late for any reason in the morning, please call the school office before 8:15am. We need to know if we should count your child for lunch. Also, if you are requesting work for your absent child, please call early enough to give the teachers ample time to get the work ready.

We would also like to remind all families about our illness policy. If your child is ill, please don't send them back to school until they have been fever free, throw-up free and if prescribed, on an antibiotic for 24 hours.

<u>Please Save</u> - All of our collections are ongoing and blue collection bins for each item may be found in the hallway outside the main office. Please save Box Tops for Education and Kwik Trip beverage caps and labels. Please sort all items into separate baggies so that students may drop them in the proper bin. Mothers' Club uses the proceeds for unexpected school needs such as desks, uniforms, etc. We also have an account with the Shoparoo app. This is the



easiest way to earn money for our school. Just download the app to your phone and take pictures of your receipts! There is a box located in the school lobby for those who do not have a smart phone or would rather not download the app. Drop your receipts in the box and we will take care of the rest.

Shoparoo receipts need to be downloaded within 2 weeks of the purchase so don't delay in turning them in to the school drop off box or downloading them yourself.

Please remember that we have a can kennel for aluminum cans. It is located by the white garage at the back of our parking lot. Proceeds go to the school wish list.

### Tue/day, December 4, 2018

# Wildcat Weekly

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608-784-1050



Upcoming

**Dec 4** - Basketball Practice 3:30 -5 p.m.

Dec 5 - YMCA Basketball Practice (3rd & 4th) 3:30-4:30pm

- Cheerleading Practice 3:30-5pm

- Sonshine Choir sings 6:30 p.m.

Dec 6 - Mission Service @ church 8:30 a.m.

- Basketball Practice 3:30-5 p.m.

**Dec 7** - Class of 2023 at Luther (8th grade) 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

- Basketball Game ~ FLS @ Nodine

(B-girls 5:00, B-boys 6:00, A-girls 7:00)

Dec 8 - Christmas for Kids (3K-4th grade) 8:30 a.m. -11:30 p.m.

- YMCA Games (1st-4th grade)

**Dec 9** - Jr. Choir sings 8 a.m.

Dec 10 - YMCA Basketball Practice (1st & 2nd) 3:30-4:30pm

- Cheerleading Practice 3:30-5pm

**Dec 11** - Basketball Practice 3:30-5 p.m.

Dec 12 - YMCA Basketball Practice (3rd & 4th) 3:30-4:30pm

- Cheerleading Practice 3:30-5pm

**Dec 13** - Chapel 8:15 am

- Basketball Practice 3:30-5 p.m.

- Christmas Caroling

Dec 14 - Basketball Game FLS @ Lewiston

(B-girls 5:00, B-boys 6:00, A-girls 7:00)

**Dec 15** - FLS Diorama Weekend (5-10pm)

**Dec 16** - FLS Diorama Weekend (5-9pm)



This Saturday is Christmas for Kids! – There is still time to sign up for Christmas for Kids! It will be on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am-11:30am. Children in grades 3K-4th are welcome to come watch the movie star and join us for games and activities. Child care will be available for younger children. Parents are welcome to stay but can also drop your children off and pick them up at 11:30. If you have any questions please see attached insert.



<u>Advent Begins – This Wednesday is the first Advent service.</u> The Sonshine Choir sings and should meet at the front of church at 6:25 PM.

Rotary Lights Diorama – First Lutheran Church and School is up on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> for helping with the Diorama. If you are not familiar, the diorama, or living nativity, is the section at the rotary lights where we dress up as people in the Christmas story. We have lots of costumes and meet here at school to dress up and then take a bus down to Riverside. There is a warming house with great food and drink, so you don't need to be outside to long. With lots of help, we can share the message of Christ's love at Christmas to all who come to the Rotary Lights. Sign up sheets in the lobby.

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<u>3K Preschool</u> - It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in the 3K room! We are excited about having our Christmas tree up in the classroom. We look forward to making ornaments to put on our tree. Our color this month is green. We are learning that Christmas trees are called evergreen trees because they stay green throughout the year. We enjoyed playing out in the snow and climbing the big snow hills! We continue to work hard on our Christmas service - just two weeks away now! Blessings on your week!

<u>4k Preschool</u> -Mrs. Lehman's PreK class is preparing their hearts for Christmas. Last week we made Advent wreaths and this week we are learning about Angel Gabriel telling Mary she will be the mother of Jesus! We are two weeks away from our Christmas service! This week we have the letter L sound and our color of the month is green.

**Kindergarten** - Mrs. Handy's Campers are preparing to entertain the ladies from our church group, Ladies Aid. We will sing and play our handbells as part of our performance. The students are working hard learning their parts for our Christmas service on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00. Blessings on your week.

<u>1st Grade</u> - Our ChristLight lessons this week show opposites—people who hate and reject Jesus and those who love Jesus. We are looking forward to singing in church at 6:30 Wednesday night for our first Advent service. We will also be performing the next day for the Ladies Aid Tea along with the Kindergarteners.

**2nd Grade** - We're busy learning our parts for the Christmas Eve service now, but we are still having our regular classes as well. We are learning about how we need God's Word so we see our sinfulness and the need for a Savior in Bible History. In math we are learning to add two-digit numbers. And I'd like to remind you that if you would like to order books from the book order form, please do so soon so I can place the order in as soon as possible.

<u>3rd & 4th Grade</u> - This week is off and running! The 3-4 graders are learning their southern states and capitals this week; their map will be due on Monday, December 10, with their test on December 19. Keep checking our memory treasure sheet as we continue to prepare for our Christmas Eve service!

<u>5th & 6th Grade</u> - Congratulations to Sanmy Omernik & Elijah Potaracke! They were both Student of the Week. Both are students that show their intelligence in various ways in class whether it be in work or in class conversation. Keep up the great work, Sammy & Beau!

We are currently playing a game called "Homework Survivor." Like the TV show "Survivor" the students must be able to "stay on the island" as long as possible. If they do not get done with their homework assignment, they are voted off the island. Those on the island on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> will be getting a special "survivor" award! So far, everyone is still on!

What is Mrs. Riness's favorite Christmas song? Be the first student in the school to answer and receive something from Mr. Meitner.

#### 7th & 8th Grade -

Fiona's Christmas Box – Over the next few weeks, you will see a big decorated box for our Christmas donations in the entryway! For our fourth year in a row, First Lutheran will be participating in Fiona's Christmas Box Project (This would be in place of students exchanging names and gifts with each other). This project was inspired by one of our own church members, Fiona King, who developed a rare disease called GM-1, for which there is no treatment. Although Fiona is now in Heaven, the project continues in her name.



Fiona's parents have been running Fiona's Kindness Box to keep children who are stuck at the hospital for long stays busy (due to prolonged illness) with coloring, playing, or reading. With the help of the Kings, the students hope to bring some of God's love and joy to a few more individuals at Christmas time.

If you would like to participate, there will be a drop off box in the school lobby where you can drop off NEW sets of markers, crayons, coloring books, more mature activity/drawing books, small puzzles, arts or crafts, or small toys. Donations will be accepted until Tuesday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Sports** – There is lots of Basketball going on this weekend! Our school plays at St. John's, Nodine on Friday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>. Games as follows:

5:00 PM – B- Girls 6:00 PM – B-Boys 7:00 PM – A Girls

YMCA/WILDCAT SPORTS - Here is a look at the games for Saturday, Dec. 8th:

1st/2nd Grade Girls BBall - (Double Header) 9 AM & 10 AM @ Onalaska YMCA (Court B)

1st/2nd Grade Boys BBall – 8 AM @ Onalaska YMCA (Court C)

3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls BBall – 8 AM @ La Crosse YMCA (Court 2)

3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys BBall – TEAM #1 – 11 AM @ Onalaska YMCA (Court A)

TEAM #2 - Noon @ Onalaska YMCA (Court D)

<u>SCRIP!</u> – Do you know that you can start paying off your child's future tuition at Luther High School without spending any more than you do? You, your family, your friends, can all earn money for your future "Knight" by purchasing gift cards through the SCRIP program! See <a href="www.luther.k12.wi.us/advancement/scrip">www.luther.k12.wi.us/advancement/scrip</a>.



Bring your scrip order in to School, write a check to "Friends of Luther" and drop it off in the office. A parent helper will run the orders up to Luther on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Delivery the same day!



Mission Offering – Our 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter mission project is going toward Thai Village. This mission field uses proceeds from arts and crafts made from the Thai people to go toward mission work in Thailand! Last we gathered \$28.49for a total of \$52.76 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. Check out the downstairs bulletin board for more info!

<u>First Lutheran Christmas Caroling</u> – Our Church and School will hold a caroling night on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Meet at school by 5:00 PM for dinner. We will be leaving school at 5:45 to carol at Hillview from 6-7pm. We will return to school by 7:15 PM.



<u>Sunday School</u> - Sunday School and Bible Class are available for all students (Sunday School: 3K-6th grade and Teen Bible: Class 7th grade - high school) every Sunday at 9:10 AM beginning in the school Cafeteria! everyone is invited to join us as we celebrate Christmas. We will have special snacks, a whole group lesson on the Christmas story, and make Christmas cards for our shut-ins.

<u>Aftercare Changes</u> – Effective Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 - *Three late pickups during a semester will result in a one-week* suspension from the aftercare program. Three suspensions in a semester will result in disqualification from using the aftercare program until the next semester.

<u>Christmas Break & Service Times</u> – First Lutheran will have an early dismissal on Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30 AM (No hot lunch). Christmas Break will run until Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> and school will resume on Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our Christmas services will run as following: 3K/4K Christmas Program (Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10:15 AM); Children's Christmas Eve Service (Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 5 PM); Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 9 PM); Christmas Day Service (Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 9 AM).