



Poetry
By Beau Wrobel

We started a Poetry unit for English class. Every day we take 10 to 15 minutes of learning poetry. The 5th graders must find 15 of their favorite poems and write it on a document for their assignment. The 6th graders must MAKE their own poems. They must completely make a poem up for their assignment. Poetry is personally really fun and I can't wait for what's next. Poetry ends on... well, when we finish.

Brigadoon
by Sammy Omernik

This Week Friday 5th-8th Grades will be going to the Luther High School Play.... Brigadoon! That will be a fun break for the upper grades!!



Hot Lunch – 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, (March 6th) – Cheesy Mac & Beef Casserole
Thursday, (March 7th) – Pancakes in a Stick
Friday, (March 8th) – Chicken Saltimbocca Bake
Monday (March 11th) – No School ~ Spring Break
Tuesday (March 12th) – No School ~ Spring Break

Reminder
There will be no hot
Lunch Monday,
March 18th

School Wishlist – 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!)



School Closings- If weather is inclement, please remember that we base our schools status on the decisions of the La Crosse School district. If they close, we close. Our school's name will also be found scrolling on TV stations WKBT News 8, WLAX/WEUX TV Fox 25/48, and WXOW TV ABC 19. Please make sure you check these stations or their websites before calling school or teachers. **Effective February 18th, 2019, NEWS8000 will no longer send out text alerts for school closures as they did in the past (from the website). If you would like to get an alert if First Lutheran School will be closing, please download the NEWS8000 app from the app store and click on First Lutheran School (located under the La Crosse County Schools section) in the "Closures and Delays" section. Mr. Meitner also recommends that you click on La Crosse School District in that same section, as First Lutheran follows their lead 90% of the time.**

Illnesses -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.

Please Save - 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.

Tuesday, March 5 2019

Wildcat Weekly

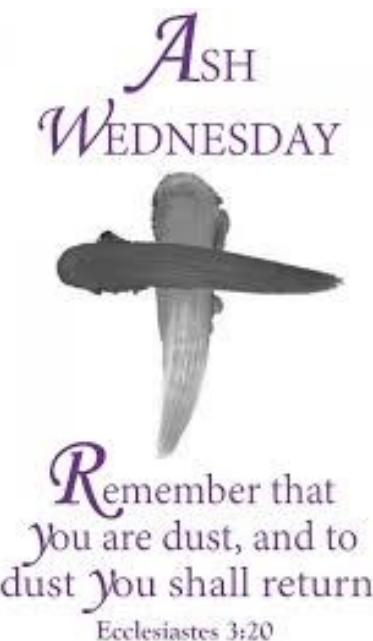
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Upcoming

- Mar 6 - Ash Wednesday Service 2pm & 6:30pm
- Mar 7 - SFA performances 2pm
- Basketball Parents' Night at Mt. Calvary-Grace 5pm
- Mar 8 - Play at Luther (upper grades) 9am
- Jump Rope for heart 12:30-3pm
- Band at Luther 3-4pm
- Mar 9 - SFA at Luther
- Mar 11-15 - No School ~ Spring Break
- Mar 16 - LALSAC Mixer @ Luther 5-8pm
- Mar 20 - Lent Service 2pm & 6:30pm
(1st & 2nd Grade sing @ 2pm)
- Mar 22 - Band at Luther 3-4pm
- Family Movie Night 5:30pm
- Mar 24 - K-4th Sing in Holmen 8am
- Mar 25 - FFL Restaurant Night @ Fiesta Mexicana 11am-10pm



NEXT WEEK IS SPRING BREAK! NO SCHOOL FROM MARCH 11th-MARCH 15th.

THIS FRIDAY! Kids Heart Challenge (Formerly Jump Rope for Heart) – This Friday afternoon March 8th, our school will be participating in the Kids Heart Challenge to raise awareness for heart health! We will begin at 1:00 in the gym. IF YOUR FAMILY CHOOSES, you can raise money in First Lutheran's Name for the American Heart Association and receive a variety of prizes. Even if you do not choose to raise money, that is ok!



We are looking for donation of water, healthy snacks, and VOLUNTEERS to assist the teachers in running the event. If you would like to help in the Kids Heart Challenge event at 1:30-3:00 on March 8th, please contact the office or Mr. Meitner.

Science and Fine Arts Fair – This Saturday, March 9th, is the area Science and Fine Arts Fair for grades 5-8 at Luther High School. A schedule of events is attached. To this newsletter.

-On Thursday, March 7th, at 2 PM participants in the SFA will be performing their talent in front of the school for one final practice before the event.

-Since First Lutheran is the "host" at Luther this year, we will also be hosting the concessions. If you would like to help our FFL, please contact Kelly Omernik at 651-269-1935.

*****Parent and/or Grandparent help needed***** This Saturday, March 9th, is the Science and Fine Arts Fair. Although it is held at Luther High School, our school is the acting host of the event. We have been given the great opportunity to provide the concession stand for the event! This could be a great fundraiser for our students and teachers at First, as this money will go right into the Friends of First Lutheran Fund! Please consider signing up for even just a short shift this Saturday! The sign up sheet can be found at the entrance of school and the concession stand is in the Luther High School cafeteria.

We can't do it without you!
Sincerely, FFL Officers

Lenten Season Begins – This Wednesday, March 6th is Ash Wednesday. Our school will attend the 2 PM service every Wednesday. **PARENTS, if you wish to worship with your children in the evening and would prefer NOT to have your students attend the afternoon service, you must contact the school or the teacher to inform them.** We will have a "study hall room" with one of our teachers supervising each week. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that you will want the child to go to church. We will not be having weekly school chapel during the Lenten season.

Classroom Corner

3K Preschool - This week the students in 3K are learning the Bible lesson of Mary and Martha. We will talk about how we can honor God by our actions and that choosing God's Word is the best. Our letter for this week is "E." E is for Everett, elephant, and eggs! We started a new color for the month - purple. We will have fun exploring this color and learning how to make it. Finally, I would like to thank the families of First Lutheran who have expressed their support to my family and me this past two weeks. We are grateful for all of your prayers.

4k Preschool - Mrs. Lehman's 4K class is learning about Jesus healing 10 men that were sick with leprosy. Only one man returned to say thank you to him and we talked about our thankfulness to Jesus for all he does for us. We are learning the letter U this week and we are reading lots of Dr. Seuss books. In PE we are practicing activities that we will be doing on Friday for our Kids' Heart Challenge.

Kindergarten - Mrs. Handy's Campers are studying where we live for our Social Studies theme. The kindergarten class is thankful to God for creating such a beautiful world! The kiddos continue to learn new sight words to aid in reading smoothly. Last week graduation passages were sent home for the students to memorize. May 21 will be here before you know it!! Blessings on your week.

1st Grade -Our ChristLight lessons this week are both parables in which Jesus teaches us that he is the promised Savior and warns his enemies about the sin of unbelief. In Math, we are learning to add 10 to a number. In English, we are finishing our unit on adjectives. We are looking forward to Spring Break next week!

2nd Grade - This week, as we begin Lent, we are learning about how Jesus still cared for his enemies by preaching to them about the consequences of their sins. In math we are subtracting double-digit numbers. In English we are beginning to learn about adjectives. In science we are learning about our solar system. And in social studies, we will be learning about different cultures found throughout the world.

3rd & 4th Grade - This week is another fun-filled week in grades 3-4! We have Ms. Andrus, an MLC student, visiting us all week long! We will be worshiping together with the school and congregation on Ash Wednesday. On Friday, we will be getting active all afternoon for the American Heart Association.

5th & 6th Grade - This week the Student(s) of the Week were Beau Wrobel, Eli Holub, Hazel Mueller, and Michael Meitner. The class participated in a two-week long RISK game to help learn about the WWI ALLIES POWERS and CENTRAL POWERS and how alliances were formed. These Students of the Week defeated the rest of the world! Great job and keep up the good work, Green Team!

POETRY ANTHOLOGY – Due to some snow days, and other business of school, we are moving the Poetry Anthology project due date back to March 22nd. This should give all students enough time to finish the project and for the teacher to get everything taught! Thanks for your understanding!

DULUTH FIELD TRIP – Permission slips for the Duluth field trip is due back Friday. If more time is needed for the payment, please talk to Mr. Meitner. Mr. Meitner needs to have a head count by Friday.

Remember to dress warmly for our Bowling walk every Monday afternoon!

7th & 8th Grade - This week 7th/8th will be starting new chapters in Science and History. We are also starting our ushering during the Lent services at church. Each student will be assigned a week to help usher. I will send out a list later this week, please help them dress appropriately when it is their turn. We will be having a math test on Friday and also attending the play at Luther. If you haven't sent your \$4 yet please do so. We are continuing our bowling unit at Playmor Lanes. Looking ahead SFA performances will be at 2:00 on Thursday, you are welcomed to come and watch.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION

Mr. Ryan Schlicht 608-317-8428	Mr. Justin Peterson 608-799-6369	Mr. Jason Lawrence 608-386-2122
Mr. David Johnson 608-788-8220	Mr. Chad Schmaltz 608-385-5564	Mr. Adam Bolduan 608-796-2752
Mr. Tom Lawrynck 608-797-4855	Mr. John Byus 608-769-0396	

Brigadoon at Luther High – Grade 5-8 will be going to the Luther production of Brigadoon on Friday morning, March 8th. We will leave at 8:25 AM. If you haven't given Mr. Meitner the permission slip or the \$4 admission, please do so ASAP. Many of our former "Wildcats" are performing in Brigadoon. Look for Quaid and Karinna Handy, Even Erdman, Tommy Teegan, and Elliott Schroeder, and Joleen Las in the production.

Parents vs. Players Night Site Change

Due to a conflict here at First, parents vs. players night has been moved to Mount Calvary/Grace. It will still be held on March 7. Game times are as follows:

Girls B-team 5:00

Boys B-team 5:45

Girls A-team 6:30

Players are reminded to wear their uniforms to MCG for the games and to leave them there after the games. A meal will be provided, The menu will be Mashed Potato Bar with Ham, Chicken, Bacon, etc. A free will offering will be collected to cover the cost of food.

LALSAC Fellowship Night:

The LALSAC fellowship night has been moved to March 29th. It is open to all 7th and 8th graders. Doors open at 6:15 and devotion begins at 6:30. Please see the flyer for more details

Make-up Days – From April 1st-18th, we will extend the school day until 3:30 to make up some time from the number of days we have (and might still have) off. Kids can be picked up at 3:30 but need to be picked up by 3:45 before we take them to aftercare. **On April 19th** (previously a no school day) **we WILL HAVE SCHOOL**. We will go to school until 1 PM, sing in the Good Friday service and be dismissed after church. You can pick up your children in the church basement after the service.



Family Movie Night - Ralph Breaks the Internet - Please mark your calendars on Friday, March 22nd for Family Movie Night. The Disney movie, *Ralph Breaks the Internet* will be shown at 6 PM in our gymnasium, with a 5:30 pizza meal being served beforehand. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, and friends!

Call Report – On February 24th, First Lutheran Church extended calls to the following people: Mr. Michael Allard, 7th-8th grade/principal; Mrs. Megan Allard, 4K; Mrs. Tina Johnson, 3K (additional one-year call). Mr. and Mrs. Allard currently serve at St. John's Lutheran School in Neillsville, WI. We pray that the Allards, and Mrs. Johnson, would be led to accept their calls. **We rejoice with the Lord that Mr. Steven Strong has accepted his call to teach 3rd and 4th grade for the 2019-2020 school year.** Mrs. Olson has accepted the call to be out ALT teacher for the upcoming school year! Thanks be to God. Please read her attached letter below.

Members of First Lutheran Evangelical Lutheran Church,

I am writing this letter because you have renewed my part-time call to provide principal administrative leave time at First Lutheran. I have enjoyed this current year of doing that, and have found it to be a really good fit for me and my family. After a number of conversations and many prayers, I would like to announce my decision to accept the call. Please continue to keep me in your prayers. What a privilege to be able to teach God's little lambs. I look forward to continuing teaching at First and serving Jesus alongside you.

Serving Christ with you,
Kathryn Olson

SCRIP! – 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 www.luther.k12.wi.us/advancement/scrip.

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 3rd quarter mission project is going toward The New Life Resource Center. This mission field is based out of La Crosse and assist mothers and children who are struggling during this change of their life. Last week we gathered \$2.00 for a total of \$ for the 3rd Quarter. Check out the downstairs bulletin board for more info!

FFL Events Approaching – Fiesta Mexicana Night for First Lutheran will be on March 25th. FFL will host the Brat Barn at The Village Festival on April 27th. Hope you can be there for both events!



Sunday School – 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! This Weeks Story is: Jesus and His Disciples in the Upper Room

Milk Moola - As of March 31st Kwik Trip will no longer be doing the Milk Moola Program. Please bring in your milk caps and bag tops to church or school by March 25th for our last submission. Thank you to all who supported our school through this program!

