

October 12, 2007

Dear Parents:

Happy Fall to each of you! "He tends His flock like a shepherd. He gathers the lambs in his arms." (Isaiah 40:11) Let us remember that Jesus is our good shepherd, and He has given His life for us. Why not take some time this weekend during your family devotions and talk with your child about how Jesus is our good shepherd and is always there to take care of us.

Book orders were sent home last week. Please consider ordering. Each time you order, you help our classroom receive new books and materials. The class loves our new CD, which came from your ordering. The class also received 5 new books into the classroom library!

We will go to the Sun Ray Library today, October 15th, weather permitting. We will leave at 1:40. Please make sure your child has his or her library card (I will keep them, if asked to); and that your child is dressed appropriately for weather and has tennis shoes. If you'd like to take a walk up to the library with us, I'd appreciate the help. Children will be asked to do another book report that is due by our next visit to the Sun Ray Library on Monday, November 5th.

It has Fire Prevention Week this past week. Please discuss evacuation procedures at your home with your child. This would be a great time to check your smoke detectors as well. This week, we also had a Fire Drill at school.

Memory class is improving for most students, but some students still need to study in advance. Remember to help your child not only memorize his or her work, but discuss the meaning of it. Please help your child study! Our next memory topics are Luther's Morning and Evening prayer. In Religion class, we have talked about how God cares for each one of us and keeps His promises. God is faithful.

There will not be any newsletters from me next week due to the short week. There will be no Spelling this week. Fourth graders will have a Math test on Wednesday, so they should study for it (refer to the help sheet that will be coming home). Tests this past week in class went well for most students. I let students know that 90 – 100% of the test comes from the help (cheat) sheet. Please use these as a reference to help your child study for future tests. Also, for the long weekend, students will not receive too much homework. They may have Spanish, Handwriting and Memory. I encourage students to read the book they checked out from the Sun Ray Library, so they can prepare themselves for their next book report.

The next PTL meeting is coming up on Tuesday, October 23rd. Please consider attending this meeting. It starts at 7:00 PM. Set it aside on your calendar now! Contact Mr. Kloetzke with any further questions on the PTL.

Thank you to Pastor Scoles for leading Chapel on Wednesday. It was nice to see some parents in attendance as well. If you'd like to worship with us, chapel begins at 9:30. It was nice to see the offering plates overflowing as well. Please continue to have your child bring in an offering each Wednesday. Our offerings this quarter are helping missionaries in Kenya.

Happy Birthday to Chiming Thao on October 16th. May God bless your special day!

On October 31st (Reformation Day and Early Release Day 1:40), we will have a special Faith Family get together. One main part of our get together is to do a servant project. The servant project that has been chosen is to collect items for our local food shelf. Between now and October 31st, please send food shelf donations with your child to school. Each Faith Family will weigh and graph how many items they have collected. Last year, the 5th and 6th grade class collected 500 pounds of food. This involves the whole school... I am hoping we can collect more than 500 pounds this year. Your help is appreciated in this servant project. "Do not forget to do good and to share with others" (Hebrews 13:16). This is also casual day. Students may dress casually, but not wear costumes.

Due to cooler weather, your child **MUST** have sweatpants or wind pants (solid) on Tuesday. Sweatpants must be either blue or gray. Student's grades will get marked down for not having the proper Phy. Ed. attire. Tennis shoes are also required. If your child wants to lock his or her locker, please supply a lock and combination.

Remember each Wednesday night is IHOP night from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. Our school receives 10% from all of our customers orders.

Why not take a night off from cooking?

As a wrap up to our Chapter 1 Science unit on animals, the 3rd and 4th graders will be taking a walking field trip to Petland in the Sun Ray Shopping Center on Wednesday, October 17th (date is subject to change). We will leave campus at 11:00 and eat lunch at Culver's first. After Culver's, we will arrive at Petland at about 1:00 PM. Petland will teach the students about how animals change and need to be taken care of. Students will need to bring their own money for lunch (between \$5 and \$10). Thank you to Dr. Fallert, Sandy (Angela's grandma) and Pastor Scoles for chaperoning our field trip. We will attend chapel, come back to the classroom for 1 hour of work and then leave for our field trip. Please see the note for the field trip in today's envelope.

It was nice to see you at the marathon! Thank you for supporting our school through this awesome fundraiser. We're hoping to raise \$10,000! Please send in any monies collected as soon as possible. Once again, THANK YOU!

Finally, check out the school's website at www.esplweb.com where you will find my newsletter each Friday as well as archived copies of previous weeks newsletters. Click on Faculty and choose Grades 3 and 4 to get to the newsletters.

In this packet you will find:

1. Corrected work, if any. (Look in homework folder)
2. My newsletter
3. Permission Slip
4. Any other missed notes or items

Please remember to return only the bottom part of this newsletter (cut it) by Monday 10/15 and any notes you may have to return with it. Please refer to the calendar on the back of this newsletter for dates and times of upcoming events. Thank you for your help and for also demonstrating to your child wonderful organizational skills!

In His name,
Julie Strom

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I have looked over my child's take home envelope and have signed his or her assignment book.

Signed _____ Dated _____

Questions, comments or concerns:



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sept. 30 Go to Church! Mr. Kloetzke's birthday	1	2 Hot Lunch	3 Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due Early Release Day 1:40 PM	4	5	6 MARATHON 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Lake Phalen
7 Go to Church!	8 Fire Drill with Fire Department	9 Hot Lunch Science Test	10 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due Social Studies test	11	12	13
14 Go to Church!	15 Sun Ray Library 1:40 PM Book Report Due	16 Hot Lunch Chiming's Birthday	17 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due Field Trip	18 No School	19 No School	20
21 Go to Church!	22	23 Hot Lunch PTL Meeting	24 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due	25	26	27
28 Go to Church!	29	30 Hot Lunch	31 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM No Memory Casual Day Halloween / Reformation Day			