

November 16, 2007

Dear Parents:

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good. His love endures forever. Thank you for coming in for conferences. I enjoyed talking to each of you. I appreciate your comments and concerns. I am proud of each and every one of my students, and I am happy with the effort they have been putting into their learning.

Thank you to those who were able to donate items for VIP Day. We will do a special project in class with our VIP's. Please send in those items by this Monday, November 19, if you have not already done so.

VIP Day is coming next Wednesday, November 21st. Students are able to bring one special person to school for the half day. Please let me know who your child's VIP will be at the bottom of this form. We have many fun activities planned. When students arrive, they may stop by the classroom for a quick hello or go right to into church for chapel. Chapel will start at 9:15 (please see the invitation in today's envelope). One very unique thing about this VIP Day is that there will be a Red Balloon Bookstore book fair. Students and VIP's will be able to shop and buy books that day. Thank you to Mr. Kloetzke, Heather Czywczynski and Pam Fallert for setting the fair up and helping.

Our next trip to the Sun Ray Library is set for Monday, November 26th. Students must wear appropriate clothing and outside apparel. Students need to bring their books and library cards. Students are expected to follow rules and be respectful. If you'd like to join us on our walk up, we leave about 1:40 and your company would be greatly appreciated. Book reports are also due this day.

There will not be a newsletter next week due to the short week. There **will not** be a Spelling test next week. There will be a Math test next week for both grades.

Grade 3 has begun discussing the multiplication facts of 1 and 10. Once again, 4th grade students **must** memorize all of their multiplication facts, including 11's and 12's. Please work with your child to help your child memorize his or her facts. Your child should be able to answer a question with a 2 to 5 second response time and /or be able to do 100 multiplication facts in 4 minutes with 97% accuracy. How can your child achieve this goal? Practice... practice... practice! I encourage buying or making flash cards, buying musical multiplication tapes, and getting any multiplications games (Leap Frog). Your child will have a test in December on multiplication facts for 0's through 12's. Thank you for your help!

Our chapel offering this quarter will be focused on Hearts for Jesus. Please help your child remember his or her offering every Wednesday. Also, our school will again be collecting toys and items for Toys for Tots. We will be collecting items until December 14th and deliver the items the following week. Collecting items for Toys for Tots is a service projects for our students. We are helping and serving others, can your child help?

Students will be singing at the Mall of America on Tuesday, December 4th. Students will receive a choir t-shirt to wear from the school. Please return the permission slip from Mrs. Johnson as soon as possible. This will be a great experience for our students. We will leave at 9:30 and return before the end of the school day. Students did and AWESOME job singing at Our Saviour's two weeks ago! Students will again be singing at Eastern Heights this Sunday at 9:30. There will also be a bake sale to raise funds for the music program after the service.

Magazine sales have begun! Please consider ordering for yourself, for other family members, relatives and friends. Subscriptions make a great gift and they are helping our school raise money.

Happy Birthday in November to Catey (November 26th). May God bless your special day.

Mr. Kloetzke has a lot of fabulous ideas for PTL this year. He'd like to get families involved as well. If you have any ideas for PTL, please email them to Mr. Kloetzke at skloetzke@esplweb.com. We need all parents to get involved in the PTL. Let's build PTL up!

Our school Christmas program is scheduled for Friday, December 14th at 7:00 PM at Eastern Heights. The students have already begun their practices. It will be a great night! Toys and items for Toys for Tots can be dropped off this night as well.

One final note on VIP Day; IHOP is offering a special to ESPL for lunch on Wednesday, November 21. Look for more information about this on VIP Day. It is a great opportunity for a good lunch and to raise money for our school.

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.

Continue to keep your child; all of the other students; and myself in your prayers. Growing up can be difficult and making good choices can be difficult. Remember, God is there for each one of us, each step of the way. I wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving! I pray that you can create memories, be safe, and spend quality time with one another. GO VIKINGS!

May God bless you and your family this week! In this packet you will find:

1. VIP Day invite
2. Hot Lunch Menu
3. My newsletter and any other information I missed

In His unfailing love,

Julie Strom

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I have read this newsletter and have signed my child's assignment book.

Signed _____ Dated _____

Please include VIP information if you know who will be your child's VIP.

My child's VIP will be: _____ Relationship _____

Questions, comments, concerns:



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Choir at Our Saviour's (arrive by 8:45 AM)	5 Sun Ray Library 1:40 PM Book Report Due	6 Hot Lunch Conferences	7 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due Conferences	8 Conferences	9 No School!	10
11 Go to Church!	12	13 Hot Lunch	14 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due	15	16	17
18 Choir at Eastern Heights (arrive by 9:30 AM)	19	20 Hot Lunch	21 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM VIP DAY!	22 No School Happy Thanksgiving!	23 No School Happy Thanksgiving!	24
25 Go to Church!	26 Sun Ray Library 1:40 PM Catey's Birthday Book Report Due	27 Hot Lunch	28 IHOP Night Chapel 2:45 PM Memory Due	29	30 Casual Day	