

May 9, 2008

Dear Parents:

Moms are given to us from above... to take care of us and give us love. I wish all of you Moms and Grandmas a super Mother's Day this coming weekend. Your child is bringing home a special gift for you.

I just want to say thank you to those of you for donating items to class this past year and for volunteering in the classroom for projects and field trips. I also want to thank you for your prayers and support you have given me this year. Without such caring parents, it is difficult to make things work well.

We will be going to the library on Tuesday, May 27th (weather permitting) to return books only. Please make sure your child is ready for this, by having his or her books, library card, and money, if he or she owes any fines. I am always looking for a parent(s) to join us on our walk up to the library. On this trip, I have set aside the computers for students to use. Students will research and do a whale report in class with their fellow classmates. They may have some research to do on their own throughout the week at home. This report is a culmination of their non-fiction reading in their Reading books. Students can bring money for copies from the internet. Copies are \$.05 per page.

Please remember **plastic silverware** for your child's cold lunches. The school **does not** provide this! Thanks for your help!

Third graders have begun memorizing their x 9's. There are many tricks to 9's. Ask your child about the magic hand method and the patterns in 9's. At this point, 3rd graders should have 1's, 2's, 3's, 4's, 5's, 7's, and 10's memorized. All squares should be memorized as well. Continue to pull out those flash cards and work on them. This practice will help your child's speed and accuracy and get him/her more prepared for 4th grade.

Fourth graders have begun dividing by a double digit number. Division is hard work. Knowing multiplication facts with speed and accuracy will help your child get through those problems with ease.

Between now and the end of the school year, it is important that your child finishes his or her homework and does his or her best. It is easy to let grades slide the last month of the school year when there are more fun things to do outside than sit inside and do homework. Continue to check over your child's assignment book and return it signed each day.

Happy Birthday to all of the May, June and summer birthdays (Cara, Tamar, Eric, and Angela). May God bless your special day!

Need information from this newsletter and don't have it handy? Just visit the school website at www.esplweb.com. Click on Faculty and choose Grades 3 and 4 to get to the newsletters. Quarterly Memory sheets are also posted there too!

Help support ESPL while online! Go to www.GoodSearch.com and be sure to enter East St. Paul Lutheran School as the charity you want to support. ESPL will earn about a penny each time you search the web and a percentage of purchases made online.

Remember every Wednesday is IHOP night. If you need a night off from the kitchen, choose IHOP and 10% of your dinner tab will go back to ESPL!

Blessings on your week! I hope you have a wonderful Mother's Day weekend and enjoy your gift.

In this week's envelope:

1. Class newsletter
2. Parent Tip newsletter (double sided)
3. Other information sheets

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Respect... Following School rules... Showing God's love... 19 days until Summer Vacation!

Signed _____ Dated _____

Questions or concerns:



May & June 2008



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 Go to Church!	5 Sun Ray Library 1:40 PM Book Reports Due! Cinco de Mayo	6 Hot Lunch Special Assembly Lego Demonstration	7 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due	8	9	10
11 Go to Church!	12 Art Club	13 Hot Lunch Mrs. Strom absent	14 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due	15	16	17
18 Go to Church!	19 Happy Birthday Tamar Art Club	20 Hot Lunch	21 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due	22 Happy Birthday Cara	23	24
25 Go to Church!	26 <u>NO SCHOOL!</u> Memorial Day	27 Hot Lunch Sun Ray Library (Return Books Only) Whale Reports	28 IHOP Night Faith Family 9:15 AM Chapel 9:30 AM Memory Due Whale Reports	29 Whale Reports	30 <u>Casual Day!</u> Whale Reports	31
June 1 Go to Church! <u>CASUAL WEEK</u>	June 2 <u>Casual Day!</u> Art Club	June 3 Hot Lunch Happy Birthday Angela (8/19) <u>Casual Day!</u> Closing Service Grade 6 6:30 PM	June 4 IHOP Night Happy Birthday Eric <u>Casual Day!</u>	June 5 <u>Cleaning Day</u> <u>Casual Day!</u> Closing Service K-5 9:30 AM	June 6 Half Day! Picnic Mounds Pk. 9:15 - 12:00 Parent Pick Up <u>Casual Day!</u>	June 7 Have a great and <u>SAFE</u> Summer!