

NEWS & NOTES

January 12, 2018

Trinity Lutheran School
Nicollet, MN

Upcoming Events

January 12 - End of 2nd Quarter

January 15 - NO School - MLK Day - Curriculum Conference @ MLC

January 19 - Chapel - 8 am; Parent Transport Day - NO hot lunch or busing

January 24 - Art Fair, Science Night - 6:30 pm

January 26 - CEA Board Game Night/Potluck Meal - 6:00 pm

January 28 - Children sing—9 am

January 31 - Open House - 9-11 am and 5:30-7 pm

February 2 - Chapel - 8 am; Administrators' Retreat @ MLC

Upcoming Sports

January 11 - BB Games @ Hutchinson - 4:15 and 5:15 pm

January 16 - BB Game @ St. Peter - 3:45 pm

January 18 - BB Practice - 3:15-4:45 pm

January 20 - BB Game vs. Sleepy Eye - 10:30 am

January 22 - BB Practice - 3:15-4:45 pm

January 23 - BB Games vs. Hutchinson - 4:15 and 5:15 pm

January 25 - BB Game @ Arlington - 4:00 pm

January 29 - BB Games vs. Immanuel, Gaylord - 4:00/5:00 pm

February 1 - BB Game @ St. James - 4 pm

February 3 - BB Games vs. Marshall - 10:30/11:30 am



For it is by grace you
have been saved,
through faith
Ephesians 2:8a

Hot Lunch Menu for the week of Jan. 15th: Monday, NO SCHOOL ; Tuesday, Salad pizza ; Wednesday, Taco in a bag; Thursday, Chicken drumstick; Friday, BRING YOUR OWN SACK LUNCH.

Friday, January 12:

1. **150 Hours of Reading** - We are almost mid-month. Continue to press on toward the goal!
2. **Mission Offerings** - We have selected our synod's mission in the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico. Pastor Witte will be presenting more information about this mission in chapel next Friday, the 19th.
3. **Basketball** - Next week Tuesday, the 16th, we have an away game to St. Peter at 3:45 pm. Only the older players will play. Thursday the 18th, we have practice, 3:15-4:45 pm. Saturday the 20th, we have a home game against Sleepy Eye at 10:30 am for all players on the team.
4. **End of 2nd Quarter** - Friday, January 12th - report cards will be distributed the next week to allow time for the teachers to compile grades.
5. **MLK Day** - Monday, January 15 - NO school - the teachers will be attending a curriculum conference at Martin Luther College in New Ulm. The focus of the conference will focus on language arts - English, writing, and spelling. Enjoy the long weekend!
6. **Parent Transport Day** - Friday, January 19 - the public school does not have school that day. There will be no busing or hot lunch available so please pack your child a lunch. Please plan accordingly. Thanks!
7. **Art Fair, Science Night** - Wednesday, January 24th - 6:30 pm - come check out what our students have been learning in science class and what artistic creations they have made this year so far.
8. **CEA Board Game Night** - Friday, January 26th - starting at 6 pm - bring your favorite family board game for a night of fun! We will have a potluck dinner as well - bring a dish to pass.

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9. **Open Houses** - We are planning on hosting a number of open houses the next few months. The first is Wednesday, January 31 - 9-11 in the morning and 5:30-7 in the evening. If you know of someone who might be interested in checking out our school, please invite them to visit on the 31st!
10. **Winter Weather** - It's that time of year already! Remember that Trinity follows what Nicollet Public School does regarding late starts and closings due to severe weather. Those announcements may be found on NPS's website and on KEYC-TV from Mankato. Mr. Gumm will also post the announcement on the school's Facebook page.
11. **After School Care**- If your family is in need of after-school care, please text or call Joy Enter **by 12:00 pm.** at 507-304- 3421 to make sure that staffing will be available.
12. **Hot Lunch Payments**— The monthly payment for **January is \$47.50** for K-8th grades. If you could possibly make a note of it to pay the balance at the beginning of each month would be wonderful! Please make checks payable to Trinity Hot Lunch. A single lunch will cost \$2.50 for K-8.

Classroom Connections



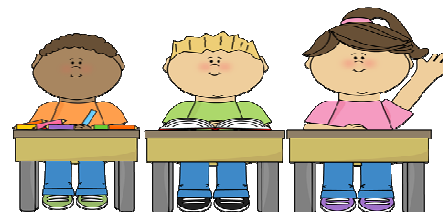
Upper Grade News -

Next week is a short week with Monday off of school for MLK Day. Remember, too, that Friday is a parent transport day with no busing or hot lunch, as Nicollet Public School has off. With the short week, we will have Review Unit 18 for spelling class with no tests next week. I am planning on tests in 5th-6th grade math class next week and in 5th grade English class. The 5th-6th grade geography class will be studying the interaction between humans and the environment; 7th-8th grade have been working on a web quest dealing with FDR and the New Deal and will beginning a study of World War II next week. On Tuesday the 16th, Mr. Uher will be returning to sub for me, as Mrs. Gumm and I will be taking Benj to Rochester for tests. Have a great weekend!

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Good Morning! Here is what is happening in grades 3-4.

3-4 Word of God - This week we heard about God's specific rules for building the tabernacle, and we learned about the Day of Atonement. The Israelite's way of worship and their religious ceremonies pointed ahead to the promised Messiah. Our worship today reminds us of the forgiveness of sins we have because Christ fulfilled all of God's requirements perfectly in our place. May we thank and praise God for his goodness in all we do!



3-4 Language Arts - We finished reading our historical fiction novels based on Ancient Greece and Rome. We will finish our nonfiction articles about this time period next week. Our two final activities will be reading plays based on Greek myths and researching a Greek god or goddess in order to make a comparison/contrast poster. We finished spelling Unit 16 this week and will work on Unit

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17 next week. Our next English unit will be learning to write a five-paragraph persuasive essay.

3-8 Recorders - Continue to review your old songs and practice our new song "Old MacDonald." Our next testing day will be Thursday, January 18.

5-8 Music/Spanish - This week we began working on our song for church (we sing next on Sunday, January 21), and we listened to a portion of the opera Rinaldo. Next week we will begin learning about the orchestra. In Spanish we are reviewing color and clothing words.

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Afternoon grades 3 & 4:

Happy 2018! Stay Warm!

Math: 3- We are finishing the 9's multiplication facts, and we will take the post test on Friday! I am looking forward to seeing the difference between the multiplication pretest and now, after learning the multiplication facts,- the post test!
4- exponents

Social Studies: The students have been assigned which Midwest State they have to write about and find facts on. They are also illustrating a poem called "The Heartland". We will work on this for the Art Fair.

Art: Still life of Paul Cezanne. We are finishing our masterpiece with layers of chalk over tempera.

Science: The children are learning to be geologists as they find the properties of rocks: texture, color, smell, stripes/bands, shine. They are also learning about the 3 types of rocks- igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary.

Things to keep in mind: Science and Art Fair: January 24th.
CEA board game night: January 26th.
Sing in church: January 28th.

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Upper graders were faced with the challenge of following directions in the construction of a Foldscopes. Foldscopes are basic microscopes that are made out of cardstock. A second challenge was to see if they could see blood cells which are only 6 to 8 microns in diameter. Each student made a Foldscope. Foldscopes were engineered by two scientists that wanted to provide microscopes to every child. We will continue to use them during the school year. At the same time we are also using our new projection microscope to study things.



PRESCHOOL NEWS.....JANUARY 12, 2018

Welcome to our new students: Aaron Gumm and Scott Ristau! It is great to have these new friends in our room!



Look what we are studying:

God keeps Jesus safe from Herod

Routines of the classroom

L,M sounds

The Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle. What makes you grouchy?

Nursery Rhymes

Practice at home:

Scissors work

Reminders:

We sing in church on Sunday, January 28th.

Can you help with the kitchen crew for the carnival, March 4th? Let me know!

Thanks to the Ristaus for providing the January playdough.....sparkling white!