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Jesus our Good Shepherd

- Grades K-8 will be attending a program at MLHS tomorrow, Nov. 12th. We will enjoy a Christian comedian and illusionist! The weather looks a bit yucky tonight and tomorrow. We anticipate getting rides to and from the event on the bus. Thank you, Heather!!!
- SJL Harvest Dinner was this past Sunday. A lot of preparation, time, and work went into making the event the success that it was. THANK YOU! To all of the church basement ladies--and other helpers--who helped fill the building with delicious smells for days and who filled more than 300 hungry tummies!
- **Timberwolves Read to Achieve** tracking sheets went home last week. To receive prizes, each child needs to read for 500 minutes. Please encourage your child to do this. Reading helps your child in every subject!!
- Last year, our very own John Henry IV placed in the state for one of the children who read the most!! He put our school on the map!! Can someone read enough to do this again?!!
- It is always all about Jesus, our Good Shepherd!



Mrs. Schoen's Preschool Classroom

- **I am in need of lysol or some kind of sanitizing spray and paper towels for donations for my classroom. Thanks!**
- 4 year old preschool students continue to work on writing your names so you can do it all by yourself. We have been doing a lot of projects working on our names and are also working on cutting on the line.
- Our Bible story this week was "David and Goliath".
- Report cards will come home today, if you have any questions please feel free to ask me.
- We talked about pumpkins and also the letter "T" and did a project making a turkey out of the letter T. We are beginning to work on numbers as well and are starting to work on number 2 this week.
- Please wear or start bringing warmer coats as well as hats and mittens as the weather continues to get colder.
- Please work on zipping with your child so they can zip their coats up. Thanks!
- Please text me if your child will be gone from school sick.
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12th: Mr. Jon Jenks
14th: Ashley Burkey

Mrs. Schoen's Kindergarten Classroom

- **Kindergarten students need to bring in their red folder to school everyday!**
- I am looking for donations of puzzles for the kindergarten room with 24-100 pieces. Thanks!
- We have been working on identifying the letters of the alphabet, so please continue to work on letter and number recognition at home. We have also learned how to read these words: I, can, the, we, see, a, like, to & and. Please practice these words at home. **Please work on reading color words at home.**
- Our new word this week is: and. Our letter we are working on in reading this week is: n.
- Please work on counting with the students, our goal by the end of the second quarter is to count to 100. Please help your child learn to zip their coats if they don't know how to.
- We have been working on numbers 11-20. Please work on these at home.
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Mrs. Koeritz's 1st & 2nd Classroom

- Report cards were sent home today. Please look them over and do not hesitate to call me with any questions or concerns. It's sometimes hard to interpret progress reports at the primary level. I certainly do not mind a phone call and/or conference to help clarify anything.
- All children should work on extra reading at home! Anything that offers the opportunity to recognize words: books, labels, books, road signs, books, notes, magazines, books, newspapers, etc.
- 2nd graders will begin 2-digit subtraction with regrouping! Ready, set, go!
- **Memory:** Starting Monday, Nov. 8th, we'll work on 'L'. Car activity: How many of the alphabet verses can your child recite?
- **Spelling** tests for both grades will be on Friday, Nov. 5th. The next list will come home on Monday, Nov. 8th. THANK YOU to those who are studying the words at home! It is much appreciated!
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Upcoming Events for November

FRIDAY 11/12:	Life & Laughter with Will McDaniel @ MLHS
MONDAY 11/15:	Band Lessons
TUESDAY 11/16:	Chapel @ 8:40am PTL Meeting @ 7:00pm
THURSDAY 11/18:	Chapel @ 8:40am
MONDAY 11/22:	Band Lessons
TUESDAY 11/23:	Chapel @ 8:40am Board of Christian Education Meeting @ 7:30
WED 11/24-FRI 11/26:	THANKSGIVING BREAK—NO SCHOOL
SUNDAY 11/28:	LYF for grades 7-12
MONDAY 11/29:	Band Lessons
TUESDAY 11/30:	Chapel @ 8:40am



Mrs. Wolter's 3rd & 4th Classroom

- Report cards were sent home Monday! Please look them over and let me know if you have any questions or concerns!
- This week in Religion, we are learning about Samson. Sometimes we forget how everyone in life has their own temptations, things that tempt them to do wrong. We need to always remember to lean on God and look to Him for our guidance. Thank you, Jesus, for always loving us and forgiving us.
- If anyone would like to donate a case or two of water, we would surely appreciate it!!
- **Timberwolves Read to Achieve** tracking sheets went home this week. To receive prizes, each child needs to read for 500 minutes. Please encourage your child to do this. Reading helps your child in every subject!!
- Third and fourth grades are continuing Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing, by Judy Blume. It is a fun book that they are all relating to!!
- Encourage your child to do some reading at home every day!!
- Keep reminding your child to study memory!!
- Band this year will be on Mondays! Remember your instruments.
- Name that State Test is tomorrow. We are up to eighteen states already!
- Spelling Test on homonyms is tomorrow!
- May you have a blessed weekend!
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GROCERY RECEIPTS TOTALS

Keep receipts coming in, it's a great/ easy fundraiser!

HYVEE: \$ 46,000 | FAREWAY: \$93,000

Reach out to Family and Friends to help
Ask them to save receipts for SJLS!!!
Bring receipts into school or church office!

**HyVee receipts can be grocery,
gas, or pharmacy**

Each \$150,000 in receipts gets us a \$1,000 check

Mrs. Meyer's 5th & 6th Classroom

- Timberwolves Read to Achieve has begun!
- We get to go to MLHS tomorrow for a Christian comedian and illusionist!
- Vocabulary Quiz tomorrow
- Spelling Test tomorrow
- Band lessons are on Monday.
- Hailey, Lili, Kimi, James, and Luke passed the subtraction Mad Minute! Keep it up!!!
- Luke, James, and Kimi passed the Multiplication Mad Minute! :))
- Use IXL and flashcards to improve your basic math facts!
- Please sign your child's planner every evening! :) The class decided if our planner is unsigned, we should write sentences about remembering to have it signed.
- For quarter 2, all late assignments will receive a 20% lower grade.
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A gratitude game

Years ago, ads for a toy-store chain featured an animated kangaroo jumping on a frown to turn it upside down. That reminds me of family life, which can feel like a nonstop attempt to keep everyone happy. Busy schedules, grumpy kids and tired parents can be a bad combination.

When our family needs to turn frowns upside down, we play the thankful game. The rules are simple: We take turns sharing one thing we're thankful for. Everyone plays. No one can pass. No repeats are allowed. Our kids, now teens, still chime in.

As we share gratitude for football, Grandma, hugs, warm brownies, coffee and more, kids tend to stop bickering, and adults get a mental reset. Try playing — and bring on lots of smiles!

—Janna Firestone



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Mr. Jenks's 7th and 8th Grades Classroom

The following is written by Mr. Jenks

- It is great to be back where I belong!
- Tomorrow morning we will go to MLHS for a special presentation from a Christian illusionist. That should be fun!
- Please continue encouraging your child to express complete, clear thoughts and ideas. We are starting to put special emphasis on answering questions completely and in detail (rather than just partially).
- Please continue encouraging your child to work together with others--to include and involve everybody in a group effort rather than just look out for ourselves--in showing love for our neighbors as God has directed us to do.
- Please continue encouraging your child to **have a heading on each assignment with the date, assignment, and page number(s).**
- **Please continue encouraging your child to write everything from the assignment board in their planner. Also, please be sure to sign your student's planner daily. This is another area of student accountability and responsibility that we are putting special focus and emphasis on!**
- Students need to continue working on **writing in complete sentences and making sure their work is neat.**
- Our Unit A8 **Vocabulary/Spelling** test will be next Friday.
- **Yay again!** To the many 7th and 8th graders who leave lunch after eating to do some schoolwork before going out to recess!
- Thank you to the many in the class who are doing their best in so many different ways. A special shout out goes to Sam and Mason, who other teachers mentioned were very helpful earlier this week when Mr. Jenks was out of the classroom doing "principal stuff." Keep up the good work!
- Next week, our 8th grade class will start planning and preparing for Spirit Week here at St. James Lutheran School. BIG thanks to them for taking on this major responsibility. We've got spirit, yes, we do!
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Turkey Jokes

- "What did the turkey say to the turkey hunter on Thanksgiving Day?" "Quack, Quack!"
- "Why did the farmer have to separate the chicken and the turkey?" "He sensed fowl play."
- "What key has legs and can't open a door?" "A turkey."
- "Why did they let the turkey join the band?" "Because he had his own drumsticks."
- "What happened to the turkey that got in a fight?" "He got the stuffing knocked out of him!"
- "Why shouldn't you sit next to a turkey at dinner?" "Because he will gobble it up."
- "If you call a big turkey a gobbler, what do you call a small one?" "A goblet."
- "What do you call a running turkey?" "Fast food."
- "What's blue and covered in feathers?" "A turkey holding its breath."
- "What's the best song to play while cooking a turkey?" "All about that baste."
- "Why did the turkey cross the road?" "He wanted people to think he was a chicken."
- "Why was the turkey put in jail?" "The police suspected fowl play."
- "How come the turkey didn't eat dinner?" "He was already stuffed."
- "What did the turkey say to the computer?" "Google, google."
- "What do you get if you cross a turkey with a ghost?" "A poultry-geist."

