



THE PANTHER PRESS

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Connected to Christ

He is the Vine; we are the branches!

- **Walk-a-thon Fundraiser** information and envelope should have made it home! This event will be held Friday, Oct. 6th, at St. John Vianney School in Fairmont. Help us raise funds for new curriculum!
- **School Choir Grades K-8** will be singing during the 8:30 service at Northrop on Sunday, Oct. 15th. We will also be singing at the 10:00 service at Zion Fraser Oct. 22nd.
- Our other fall fundraiser event will begin Oct. 5th and run through Oct. 25th. We are offering Fundraising Works cards and gifts as well as fresh Christmas wreaths.
- Thanks to all who joined our Parent Teacher League Zoom meeting! Don't hesitate to reach out with any questions, input, or new ideas!
- **School Apparel** available for a limited time under the "SHOP" tab in the website, or you may use this QR code to be linked directly to the site.



Mrs. Henry's Preschool Classroom

- Our annual field trip to Center Creek Apple Orchard will be on Monday, Oct. 2nd. Details to come! I would LOVE any and all parent/grandparent chaperones to join us! Thank you to those who have already gotten back to me!
- We had a lot of fun dying salt crystals, and making puffy pumpkins!
- Our story of the week was Curious George.
- Our Bible Story was God's promise to Abraham.
- Show and Tell will be Wednesday and Thursday. The kids may bring in any item that is meaningful to them to share with the class.
- We spent time learning some words in Spanish!
- We are talking about emotions and what it means to be a good friend.

Connection Corner

This week we talked about bullying. What is bullying and how is it different from teasing? When is it ok to tease? When should we tell an adult or intervene if we see bullying or teasing?

We did a fun activity called Say it or Stuff it! It was good practice for things that are good to say and other things that we do NOT need to say, like things that will only be hurtful or upsetting or considered bullying.

Mrs. Schoen's Kindergarten Classroom

- Please go through students' folders and empty them everyday!
- School starts at 8:00 and is done at 2:45.
- We are working on writing our names with only the first letter capital and the rest lowercase letters. Please work on this at home.
- We have also started writing numbers 1-5 in the lines and the numbers touching both the top and bottom line.
- We worked on what is one more than a number. We also have our first math test on Friday.
- Our word this week is: the. The students should be able to read: I, can, & the. Our letters we worked on this week are: M and F. They should be able to make a capital and lowercase of each of these letters as well as tell you the letter, the sound it makes, and something that starts with those letters.
- Our annual field trip to Center Creek Apple Orchard will be on Monday, Oct. 2nd. We will need chaperones! Please let me know if you or a grandparent would be able to come.
- Please text me when your child is going to be absent, needs to leave school early, or will be late to school.
- If a student is sick, they must be fever free for 24 hours before returning back to school.
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Mrs. Koeritz's

1st & 2nd Grade Classroom

- Our **class trip to Center Creek Orchard** is Monday, Oct. 2nd. We leave school at 9:30 and return at 1:00. Don't forget to pack a lunch! If we need to postpone due to inclement weather, we will have regular school that day.
- **Walkathon** fundraiser is happening! Let me know if you have questions about the process. We'd love new curriculum!
- We've started our science unit on animals! If any adult would like to bring an animal to school for your child to show us, please contact me ahead of time to make arrangements.
- **Spelling**: The next spelling list for both grades will come home Sept. 25th with the next test being Friday, Sept 29th.
- **Memory**: Ask your child to recite letter C: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." Ephesians 6:1
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Mrs. Wolter's

3rd & 4th Grade Classroom

- We are working on raising our hand when we have a question, not interrupting someone when they are talking, and following along.
- Have your child practice telling you what time it is - NOT using a digital clock.
- Accelerated Reader is up and running! I want each third grader to get 12 points this first quarter. Fourth graders have set their own goal. Your child should be reading at least 20 minutes each night.
- We are going on a field trip to McGowen Farms near Mankato on Thursday, October 12. An information and permission sheet will go home next week!
- Spelling Test Friday on Unit 1 Week 3!
- Name that state is going great!!
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22nd: Kaizer Walters

Mrs. Meyer's

5th & 6th Grade Classroom

- Walkathon Fundraiser is Friday, October 6th! Get your donations!!!
- **Accelerated Reader** is up and running! Each child has set a personal goal for this quarter. Everyone's goal is at least 15 points this first quarter. Please encourage your child to read some each night! :)
- Tuesday we enjoyed going to Heritage Acres for **Environmental Awareness Day**! We learned about fish, pollinators, erosion, and rap-tors!
- We are excited to go on a field trip to History Fest at the **McGowan Farm** near Mankato on Thursday, October 12. Watch for the information and permission form next week.
- I'm sure your child would love to sing the **Minnesota song** they learned to you!
- Ask your child what they wrote to put on the "**Poet-Tree**" this week.
- There will be **memory work** every Tuesday and Thursday.
- Please sign **planners** every evening. It's a great form of communication.
- We are excited to be "**Connected to Christ!**"

For the safety of our students, doors to the school and church must remain locked during school hours. Please use the doorbell at the church doors to get someone to let you in.

Upcoming Events

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| THURSDAY 9/21: | Chapel @ 8:40am MCLGS VB @ MLHS 4:30B/5:30A |
| MONDAY 9/25: | MCLGS VB @ SPL Truman 4:30B/5:30A |
| TUESDAY 9/26: | Chapel @ 8:40am MCLGS VB @ SPL Truman 4:30B/5:30A |
| WEDNESDAY 9/27: | MID-QUARTER Chapel @ 8:40am BOCE Meeting 7:00pm |
| THURSDAY 9/28: | Chapel @ 8:40am MCLGS VB @ Mt Olive 4:30B/5:30A |



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