



THE PANTHER PRESS

March 14, 2024

Connected to Christ

He is the Vine; we are the branches!

- Congratulations to our students who participated in the regional Fine Arts Festival! Thank you for sharing your growing talents!
- Thank you to Chad and Cassie Weins, Mayson Sands, and Catherine Osborn for serving the Lenten dinner at Zion! It was delicious!
- Thank you to PTL for purchasing new gym equipment! It has been very exciting to enjoy some new things!
- The 3rd quarter ends March 15th. Teachers will be scheduling parent conferences as soon as we receive the results of our ITBS achievement tests.
- A reminder that our Spring/Easter break is March 25th-April 1st.
- **FOOD DRIVE:** Martin County Food shelf has accepted a **challenge** from the Watonwan County Food shelf to see who can collect more goods in March. SJL has offered to help! Next week please help by sending to school **nonperishable foods, personal care items, or baby items!** We will collect ALL NEXT WEEK!

Mrs. Henry's

Preschool Classroom

- **It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces at our preschool open house!**
- Preschoolers had a great time playing with new gym equipment purchased by PTL. Thank you! They even helped organize it all!
- This week we finished reading Grimm's Fairy Tales. We started many months ago reading one a day! The kids were fascinated by all the stories!
- We have really been working on putting on and zipping our own coats and everyone has been making a lot of progress!
- We are starting to study Holy Week and the life of Jesus. Understanding Jesus life and ministry on earth makes the celebration of Easter so impactful!
- We traced numbers and letters into rice
- It was awesome to watch the tree mover come and dig an awesome hole and put a huge tree in it! Very exciting! Almost as exciting as cheering on our favorite garbage men!



THURSDAY 3/14: **Happy PI Day**

FRIDAY 3/15: **End of 3rd Quarter**

TUESDAY 3/19: Chapel @ 8:40am
PTL Meeting 7pm

WEDNESDAY 3/20: Chapel @ 8:40am
LENT V @ Zion 7pm (supper @ 6)

THURSDAY 3/21: Chapel @ 8:40am

SATURDAY 3/23: Lakefield Chess Tournament

SUNDAY 3/24: **Palm Sunday**

MONDAY 3/25-MONDAY 4/1: **NO SCHOOL - EASTER BREAK**

WEDNESDAY 3/27: BOCE Meeting 7pm

THURSDAY 3/28: **Maundy Thursday** Divine Service @ Zion 7pm

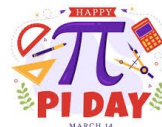
FRIDAY 3/29: **Good Friday** Vespers @ SJL 7pm

SUNDAY 3/31: **EASTER SUNDAY**

TUESDAY 4/2: Chapel @ 8:40am

WEDNESDAY 4/3: Chapel @ 8:40am

THURSDAY 4/4: Chapel @ 8:40am



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Mrs. Schoen's
Kindergarten Classroom

- Congratulations to Aurora on being our first kindergarten student to tie their shoes. This is a hard skill and we are so proud of her! Please start working with your child on learning to tie their shoes.
- We are working on the letters "J & Q" this week. We have 2 new words this week as well: here & me.
- Please work on rhyming words with your child at home. Please also start working on tying shoes with your child. Students should be able to identify all the letters and know their sounds and identify the numbers 0-20.
- Kindergarten students are going to have an Easter Egg hunt on Thursday, March 21st. All kindergarten students will need to bring 12 large plastic Easter eggs, please have them empty. I would also like for everyone to send in things that I can stuff the Easter eggs with, I will stuff all the eggs with an assortment of everything from everyone so all students will get things from others. Ideas but not limited to: candy, coins, stickers, and little toys that would fit in the eggs. Students can bring in the eggs and fillers by Friday, March 15th or Monday March 18th so I have time to fill them all and write names on them. They can also bring Easter baskets on the day of the egg hunt.
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Mrs. Koeritz's
1st & 2nd Grade Classroom

- We are learning, in detail, about the events during Holy Week. We are amazed at God's love for us!
- Science is now all about energy. We experimented with thermometers and light-absorbing paper.
- **Spelling:** The next spelling list will come home Mon., March 18, with the test being on Friday, March 22.
- **Memory:** Ask your child to recite the letter 'W': When I am afraid, I put my trust in You.
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March 20th: Mrs. Cindy Wolter

Mrs. Wolter's
3rd & 4th Grade Classroom

- Beautiful, beautiful weather! Make sure you keep dressing in layers. I sent home snowpants!! I hope I didn't jinx anything!
- We have now learned 46 states and capitals!!
- Spelling Test tomorrow!
- Fourth graders are continuing **Where the Red Fern Grows** by Wilson Rawls. *Oh my goodness, this is such a great book!! Please don't let your child watch the movie! I'd like to watch it in school.*
- Something EVERYONE can practice is their multiplication facts!! The FIRST one to pass will get a \$5 Gift Card to Walmart!! Study! Study!
- We could use bottled water if anyone is willing to donate!
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Mrs. Meyer's
5th & 6th Grade Classroom

- Great job at the **Fine Arts Festival!** You are very talented and did an amazing job!
- Tomorrow, March 15, is the **end of Quarter 3.** I'm not sure where the time has gone. We will continue to work hard at school!
- **AR GOALS are DUE TOMORROW!!!**
- Please remind your child to bring his or her softball glove to school. Some days during PE, we will begin practicing for our **softball tournaments.**
- We finished our **Achievement Testing.** I will share the results with you at a spring conference.
- Children who have not completed the subtraction mad minutes, will use **5 minutes of recess to study flashcards.** Keep practicing! Both flashcards and IXL are great ways to study. :)
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