



THE PANTHER PRESS

March 7, 2024

Connected to Christ

He is the Vine; we are the branches!

- There is **NO SCHOOL** tomorrow, Friday, March 8, for a teacher work day.
- **Fine Arts Festival** is Saturday! A schedule of individual events is attached to this newsletter. Those children participating in the choir and handchimes should meet in the northeast corner of the gym at MLHS by 11:50. Concert begins at noon. **Please dress 'nice'. No hoodies.**
- Thank you to Chad and Cassie Weins, Mayson Sands, and Catherine Osborn for serving the Lenten dinner at Zion! It was delicious!
- **Kindergarten/Preschool Open House is Tuesday, March 12th from 4pm-6pm.**
- **We are requesting that students not bring Easy Mac to school for lunch unless they can make it themselves.**

Mrs. Henry's

Preschool Classroom

- **Our Pre-K and Kindergarten Open House is Tuesday, March 12th from 4pm-6pm. We would love to see you there! Feel free to bring a friend, neighbor or family member!**
- Our Bible Story was Zacchaeus. Ask the kids to tell you the story in song!
- Our books of the week were Little Whale's Journey and Your Fantastic Elastic Brain
- We reviewed storm safety and what to do if there is a severe thunderstorm or tornado. They are prepared!
- We reviewed the concepts of empty and full, and in between. We did some hands on study!
- It's fun to do spring crafts like making kites and baby lambs with cotton balls!
- **Thank you for the donations of paper towels and baby wipes. We should be good for the rest of the year!**

Mrs. Schoen's

Kindergarten Classroom

- We have had a lot of sicknesses going around our classroom and school. Please keep your child home if they are sick and not feeling well so we are not spreading germs to the other students.
- We are working on the letters "V & X" this week. We have 2 new words this week as well: said & want.
- Please continue working on counting by tens and fives. We have started working on identifying coins: penny, nickel, and dime this week as well and how much each coin is worth and counting coins as well.
- 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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March 8th: Mrs. Laura Henry

Mrs. Koeritz's

1st & 2nd Grade Classroom

- We enjoyed making and experimenting with 'oobleck', a mixture of cornstarch and water, as part of our science unit on states of matter.
- Thanks to the wonderful teachers at SJL who jumped in to help on Wednesday when I needed to be with my husband.
- **Spelling:** The next spelling list will come home on Monday, March 11th, with the test being on Friday, March 15.
- **Memory:** Ask your child to recite the letter 'V': But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
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Mrs. Wolter's

3rd & 4th Grade Classroom

- What crazy weather! Make sure you keep dressing in layers.
- We have now learned 44 states and capitals!!
- Spelling Test was today!
- 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!
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St James Lutheran School

Preschool & Kindergarten Open House

Tuesday, March 12th
4:00-6:00 PM

108 S James St
Northrop, MN
507-436-5289
sjmorthrop.com

Preschool Program
3 & 4 year-olds
2 or 3 days per week
Half or full day options

All-day
Kindergarten Program

Mrs. Meyer's

5th & 6th Grade Classroom

- **Fine Arts Festival** is SATURDAY, March 9th at MLHS.
- Please help your child **practice their dramatic reading or singing** for the Fine Arts Festival!
- Please remember to use your special flyer to personally invite someone to our **Pre-K and Kindergarten Open House** on Tuesday, March 12th from 4pm-6pm.
- Please remind your child to bring his or her soft-ball 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.
- Please encourage your child to read at home. **AR Goals** are due on Friday, March 15.
- Children who have not completed the subtraction mad minutes, will use **5 minutes of recess to study flashcards**. Keep practicing! Both flash-cards and IXL are great ways to study. :)
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Puzzle!

Connect the dots to find two symbols of Easter. Then write the words in the correct blanks to complete an Easter poem.

2	4	6	8	10	12	14
16	18	20	22	24		
26	28	30	33	35	37	38
40	41	42	43	44	45	46

Answer: God gave us Jesus Christ, his Son, the holy, loving, righteous one, He died to save us all from sin, and on Easter day he rose again.

A reminder of our sickness policy as printed in the Student Handbook, pg 10

Student Health

- The teacher must be informed of any illness and/or the reason for the child’s absence.
- **In case of communicable disease, the school should be notified immediately.**
- If possible, report to the teacher any exposure to communicable disease.

Criteria for keeping your child at home

- has had a fever over 100 degrees during previous 24 hours
- has vomited in the previous 24 hours
- has skin sores which are open and draining material
- has streptococcal, a throat infection (remain home for 24 hours after antibiotics are started and be fever free for 24 hours)
- has had diarrhea during previous 24 hours
- any lice or nits

Criteria for sending children home

- Fever over 100 degrees F
- Vomits during the day
- Has diarrhea
- Is constantly crying – fussy – which is unexplained for an unusual amount of time
- Any drainage
- When staff have reason to question health of a child

Note

- When in doubt, consider the safety of your child and the other children and keep your child home.
- Children well enough to attend school are to follow the regular activities of the class during class time and at recess—inside or outside.



UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY 3/7:	Chapel @ 8:40am BOCE Meeting 7pm
FRIDAY 3/8:	NO School
SATURDAY 3/9:	Fine Arts Festival @ MLHS Daylight Savings - SPRING FORWARD
SUNDAY 3/10:	Just for CICS 1-3pm (rescheduled date)
TUESDAY 3/12:	Chapel @ 8:40am PreK/Kindergarten Open House 4-6pm
WEDNESDAY 3/13:	Chapel @ 8:40am LENT IV @ Zion 7pm (supper @ 6)
THURSDAY 3/14:	Chapel @ 8:40am
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
MONDAY 3/25-MONDAY 4/1:	NO SCHOOL - EASTER BREAK
WEDNESDAY 3/27:	BOCE Meeting 7pm
SUNDAY 3/31:	EASTER SUNDAY

Fine Arts Festival

Schedule for our SJL Students

Saturday, March 9

Piano - MLHS Room 107

8:00 Leona Nestegard

Dramatic Reading - MLHS Room 102

8:28 Jaxton Roberts, Freyr Foster

8:35 Levi Nelson, Henry Murphy

8:42 Silas Henry, Axl Wiens

8:49 Gideon Foster

8:56 Braxton Roberts, Harper Armbrust

9:03 Lincoln Pavich

9:10 Oakley Bohlsen, Gavin Meyer

Vocal Events - MLHS Room 101

9:10 Kaizer Walters, Charlie Hansen, Santiago Marroquin-Balderas

9:17 Kimi Hansen

9:24 Hailey Simpson

9:31 Tallulah Wiens, Adley Nelson, Nevaeh Mahoney

9:38 Lydia Murphy

9:45 William Rossow

9:52 Molly Henry, Addison Schoen

Instrumental Events - MLHS Room 106

9:59 Tanner Howe

10:06 Viktoria Marroquin-Balderas

Large Group Concert - MLHS Gym

12:00 EVERYONE!!!