

THE PANTHER PRESS

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Standing Firm in Jesus

Take Up the Whole Armor of God

- Thank you to the many of you who attended our first PTL meeting of the year! It was our first in person meeting since before Covid! HUGE thank you to Lori Behrens, Amanda Fehr, and Johnny Henry IV for supervising our students free play gym time during the meeting.
- Those who weren't able to attend the PTL meeting and who signed up for a committee will receive a folder with details that will come home with your child.
- **Walkathon** information was sent home! Be sure to read it, and if you have questions, contact Mrs. Koeritz. It will be Friday, Oct. 4th, at St. John Vianney in Fairmont beginning at 12:40. We may need help with transportation, so let us know if you are available. Thanks!

Mrs. Schoen's

Kindergarten Classroom

- Please have the children practice writing the numbers 0-10 in the lines correctly.
- We have learned how to read the words: I, can & the this week. Our letters we are focusing on this week is the letter M & P.
- Please continue to practice reading the color words at home as well as the sight words.
- We are going on a field trip to the Center Creek Apple Orchard on Wednesday, October 2nd. We are leaving the school around 9:30. Please let me know if you would like to go as a chaperone and meet us there. All students will need to bring a sack lunch and a drink.
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Mrs. Henry's Preschool Classroom

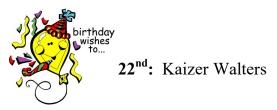
Preschool Glassroom

- We are learning about the fall into sin and God's promise of a Savior.
- We are reviewing B and C sounds and practicing phonological awareness with our mystery box.
- We plan to do a cyanotype sun art print on Friday if the weather cooperates. (3 year olds will do it next week!)
- Preschool mini-walk-a-thon will be held on Monday, September 30th at 9 am. We walk around the school grounds while the big kids cheer us on! Please continue to collect pledges!
- Our field trip to Center Creek Orchard is Wednesday, October 2nd. Thanks to those who have turned in permission slips!

Mrs. Koeritz's

1st & 2nd Grade Classroom

- Our trip to the apple orchard is Wed., Oct. 2nd. Pray for nice weather!
- Hopefully the green sheet I sent home with all of the week's reading/vocabulary/spelling information was helpful.
- You are welcome to join in the fun at the Walkathon on Oct. 4th!
- 1st graders are busy with addition and short /i/ words. 2nd graders are reviewing subtraction strategies and all of the short vowels.
- Spelling: Unit 1 Week 2 test tomorrow. Unit 1 Week 3 list coming home on Monday.
- Memory Verse **D**: Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. James 4:8
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Mrs. Wolter's 3rd & 4th Grade Classroom

- We are getting into a routine! One thing we are working on is when the teacher is talking they are not!!
- We started Name that State! ALL students passed their first test on Minnesota and New York! Next week we will add two more! Many of my fourth graders are trying to review ALL 50 to test out!! Good luck!
- In Religion, we learned about Noah, the ark, and the Promise. The children had many good questions which led to fun discussions!
- In History, we finished our unit on John Smith. We are now starting to learn about Pocahontas.
- We are daily practicing addition, subtraction, and clocks in math. Please quiz your child at home on random facts.
- Accelerated Reader half-way points are due NEXT WEDNESDAY (9/25). Remind your child to be reading every night for 15-20 minutes!
- We are going on our first field trip next Friday. (9/27) It is at Heritage Acres and is all about Safety! Thank you Elexis Foster for chaperoning and Heather for driving/picking us up on the bus!!
- Spelling Test Friday Unit 2 Week 4.
- Have a great weekend!!



Chapel weekly at 8:40am Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Please join us!

SUNDAY 9/22:	First day of Fall	
MONDAY 9/23:	Health Screening (rescheduled)	
WEDNESDAY 9/25: MID QUARTER		
	BOCE Meeting 7pm	
FRIDAY 9/27:	3/4th Safety Day	
MONDAY 9/30:	Preschool Walk-a-thon	



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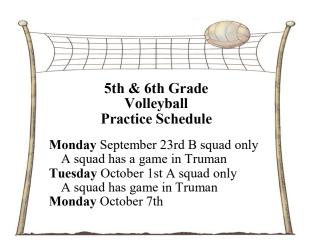
CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Mrs. Meyer's 5th & 6th Grade Classroom

- All students should have half of their AR points by Wednesday! Some students have 0 points currently. Please give them quiet time at home to read every evening.
- Wednesday is midquarter.
- We are trying hard to do our best work all the time. Ask to see their papers in the evening and let them tell you about their day.
- Please sign your child's **planner** every evening! The planner is a great form of communication, so please feel free to communicate with me by writing a message!
- Late assignments will lose 10%. Please help your child have a quiet place to do homework every evening. It's important for children to responsibly complete their assignments now so they are ready to successfully have a job when they are older! Thanks for your support!
- We enjoyed learning about fish, pollination, erosion, and animals at the Environmental Awareness Day Tuesday.
- Students should be ready to recite the memory work when they arrive at school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
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Connection Corner

Research shows that strong social and emotional skills are a vital part of academic success. Things like eating meals together at the table, reading books aloud, and engaging in regular conversations creates rich experiences for social and emotional development that lays the groundwork for future academic and life success!



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2024-2025 Energy Assistance Program

A grant for income eligible households to assist in paying heating and electric bills.

Available to homeowners, renters who pay heating/electric costs and renters with heat included in their rent*

MVAC serves the following counties: Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, Le Sueur, Martin, Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca, and Watonwan Hablamos español * Crisis assistance is also available for disconnection notices, shut-offs, and no fuel emergencies.

Deadline: May 31, 2025

Assistance with heating unit repairs is available to approved homeowners who have a no-heat situation.

Household income cannot be more than these income guidelines:

Household Size	Annual Income	1 Month Max Guidelines
1	\$35,799	\$2,983
2	\$46,814	\$3,901
3	\$57,829	\$4,819
4	\$68,845	\$5,737
5	\$79,860	\$6,655
6	\$90,875	\$7,572
7	\$92,940	\$7,745
8	\$95,006	\$7,917
9	\$97,071	\$8,089



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