



# THE PANTHER PRESS

January 16, 2025



## Standing Firm in Jesus

Take Up the Whole Armor of God

- **No school, Monday, Jan. 20th!**
- **Grandparents day** will be on Friday January 31st, beginning at 8:20 in the fellowship hall, and ending about 11:00. Please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible how many grandparents (or "adopted" grandparents ☐) will be coming with your child.
- **School choir, grades K-8, will sing** in church at SJL on Sunday, Jan. 26th, at the 8:30 service. Feb. 1st we will sing at Zion Fraser's 10:00 service. Hope to see you there!
- Please let Mrs. Schoen know if you would be willing to help make or donate **snacks** for the children during National Lutheran Schools Week (January 27th-31st) We have about 52 students and hungry teachers. Thank-You!
- The funds raised through our NLSW **Penny Wars** activity will all be donated to Lutheran Church Charities Disaster Relief.
- **Winter Carnival** at MLHS on Jan. 26, 1-3 pm. Come join the fun! Let them know you are from SJL Northrop and your admission will be paid by our PTL!
- **If you have extra or outgrown winter items to add to our share box at SJL especially gloves and hats, please bring them in as we are running low on items for kids who don't bring any to school. Thank you!**
- The end of the 2nd quarter has arrived which means teachers are working on report cards!
- We will be going ice skating on Monday, January 27th. We will be leaving school around 9:00 and skating from 9:30-11:00. We would appreciate any help with driving students to and from the arena as well as tying up skates. Please let your child's teacher know if you or family member would be able to help us with this. Thank-you!

## Mrs. Henry's

### Preschool Classroom

- Happy belated birthday to Rhett!!
- Remember, no school next Monday for MLK day!
- Thank you for all the wonderful Christmas gifts! I loved them so much and enjoyed my break!
- We read "The Mitten" this week and made our own mittens that surely would NOT get lost in the snow!
- We read a book about opposites, practiced with some opposite flashcards, and played an opposite game.
- Our Bible story was Jesus choosing his disciples! We read the story of the large catch of fish.
- We have been counting to one hundred by tens, identifying our names, and counting to 13 by ones every day. We are also working on identifying letters and letter sounds in fun and interesting ways!
- Thanks for continuing to send hats, gloves, boots, and winter clothes! They love playing outside!
- **National Lutheran Schools Week will be Jan. 26-Feb. 1. We are looking forward to many fun activities that week!**
- **Grandparents day will be on Friday January 31st in the morning. Please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible how many grandparents will be coming with your child. Please have grandparents be here by 8:20. Chapel will start at approximately 10:30.**

### Basketball Game Schedule

- 1/23: Imm. Lakefield 4:00 B Girls, B Boys
- 1/28: Trinity Janesville 4:30 B Girls, 5:30 B Boys
- 2/3: **HOME** 4:30 B Girls, 5:30 B Boys
- 2/6: **HOME** 4:30 B Girls, 5:30 B Boys
- 2/7-8: SPL Fmt Tourney B Boys & Girls



**ATTENTION!**

**Hot Lunch Menu Change:**

**Friday 1/17: Roast beef, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Dinner Roll, Peaches**

The mission of St. James Ev. Lutheran Church & School is to learn, teach, live, and proclaim the truth of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ our Savior as revealed in God's Word.

## Mrs. Schoen's

### Kindergarten Classroom

- We are halfway through kindergarten already. Students already know the alphabet and should identify numbers 0-20!
- Please continue to work on counting to 100 with your child and rhyming words. We have been working on adding numbers this week in math and the kids have been doing amazing with this! We also have been working on telling time on a clock to the hour.
- **Students need to continue working on reading their sight words and color words!**
- Our new word this week is: my. We are focusing on the letter H in reading and reviewing all the letters and their sounds.
- We have learned how to read the words: I, can, the, we, see, a, to, go, you, do & my.
- Standing firm in Jesus!

## Mrs. Koeritz's

### 1st & 2nd Grade Classroom

- Remember that your child can work on any of the math skills found on ixl.com Let me know if you need the username and password.
- Weather activities this week included seasons, water cycle, wind, and clouds.
- We'll be making snowflakes to keep last week's snowmen company!
- Spelling: NO spelling unit next week due to our Unit 3 reading assessment. We will do some review work in class.
- Memory Verse **P: Pray without ceasing.**
- Stand firm in Jesus!



**WEATHER ALERT**

#### Weather Related Announcements

can be found on our Facebook page, KEYC (TV Channel 12, website, facebook) or KFMC/KSUM (106.5FM), in addition to teachers sending text messages to parents.

If you are interested, KEYC has an option for notifications for any organization you chose. Download the **KEYC News Now** app on your phone, go to **Settings** and choose **Closings**, then scroll down to **St James Lutheran - Northrop**. Call the office if you have any questions getting it set up.

## Mrs. Wolter's

### 3rd & 4th Grade Classroom

- **LOTS of important info on the first page of this newsletter** - please make sure you read it!! Thanks!
- Please send hats, gloves, and coats with your child to school! We will be going outside as often as we can! Thanks!
- We are learning about George Washington this week in History!
- Both third and fourth graders are reading **BOYS AGAINST GIRLS**, by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Ask them what an abaguchie is?!!
- We are up to 29 States and Capitals!
- Spelling Test UNIT 3 Week 5 on Friday!
- Stand firm in **JESUS!!**

## Mrs. Meyer's

### 5th & 6th Grade Classroom

- **Thank you** for the awesome Christmas gifts! I love them all! :)
- Please let me know how many grandparents/special friends will be attending **grandparents day**.
- We plan to go outside for recess, so please make sure your child is wearing a **warm coat, hat, and gloves** everyday!
- Now would be a great time to begin working on your **science project** if you have not already done so. The Fine Arts Festival will be here before we know it!
- Please have your child **study basic math facts!** Not very many students have passed a Mad Minute yet this year! They can go onto IXL to study, use flashcards, you can quiz them randomly in the car, or any other creative ways that might work for you. Thanks for your help! As the math problems become larger, it is important the students have the basic math facts memorized!
- The MLHS **Empower** group will be coming to speak with our class on Tuesday. The topic will be on "cutting down screen time and focusing on non-social media life."
- Standing Firm in **JESUS**



Jan 20<sup>th</sup>: Martin Hansen







**ST. JAMES LUTHERAN**  
CHURCH AND SCHOOL




**Standing Firm in Jesus**

# HOW TO PLAY PENNY WARS

## POSITIVE POINTS

-  EACH PENNY = +1 POINT
-  \$1 BILL = +100 POINTS
-  \$5 BILL = +500 POINTS
-  \$10 BILL = +1,000 POINTS

## NEGATIVE POINTS

-  NICKEL = -5 POINTS
-  DIME = -10 POINTS
-  QUARTER = -25 POINTS

**THE CLASS WITH THE MOST  
POINTS WINS THE WAR!**

## *Pancake Brunch*

SUNDAY, January 26, 2025  
10:00 A.M.- NOON



*In Celebration of  
National Lutheran Schools Week*

Pancakes & Sausages  
(Gluten Free Pancakes available)  
Applesauce & Beverages  
w/all the trimmings

Cost: FREEWILL DONATION  
Proceeds will go towards  
Curriculum



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## **MARK** *YOUR* CALENDARS!

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

- Monday 1/20:** NO SCHOOL - ML King Day
- Tuesday 1/21:** PTL (Zoom) 7pm
- Wednesday 1/22:** BOCE Mtg 7pm
- 1/26 - 2/2:** NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK
- Sunday 1/26:** Students sing at SJL 8:30am  
**Pancake Breakfast** 9:45-noon  
Winter Carnival @ MLHS 1-3pm
- Monday 1/27:** Ice Skating @ 9:30
- Tuesday 1/28:** History Day Presentation @ ML  
9-11:15 or Noon - 2:15
- Friday 1/31:** Grandparents Day
- Sunday 2/2:** Students sing @ Zion 10am

# National Lutheran School's Week 2025

## (January 26-February 2)

All Week:

- 1) **Rock, Paper, Scissors**
- 2) **Medallion Hunt**
- 3) **Online Trip to Kenya**
- 4) **Penny Wars**

Sunday, Jan. 26, 2025:

**Children Sing at SJL** (8:30 a.m.)  
**Pancake Breakfast** to follow church  
Children's Winter Carnival at MLHS (1:00-3:00)

Monday, Jan. 27, 2025:

"Stripping Away Hindrances"  
Dress in work out clothes or comfy clothes  
Ice skating at Martin County Arena-leave school at 9:00 and skate  
From 9:30-11:00.

Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2025:

"Fixing our Eyes on Jesus"  
Dress in your favorite sport clothing  
5/6 **History @ MLHS**  
Minute to Win it games in the gym in the afternoon 1:00

Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2025:

"Enduring the Cross"  
Dress in your favorite decade clothing.  
**Greg the Great Magic Show 10:00**

Thursday, Jan. 30, 2025:

"The Joy Set Before Us"  
Dress in joyful/bright color clothing  
Students will make valentines

Friday, Jan. 31, 2025:

"Running the Race with Perseverance"  
Dress as a spectator or cheerleader or in school colors  
(maroon and white)  
Grandparents Day in the morning (8:30 starting time and  
finishing around 11:00, chapel @ 10:30).  
movie in the afternoon

Sunday, Feb. 2, 2025

**Children Sing at Zion** (10:00 a.m.)

- Please let us know if you are willing to **help make or donate snacks** for the children during National Lutheran Schools Week!!! We have 52 students! And hungry teachers!