



# Peace Lutheran School & Preschool Memo

“Let Your Light Shine”

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**Mr. Wilson's ~ 7th & 8th Grade Classroom** ~ Just a reminder, the online grade book can be found at the following web address: <http://www.engage.com/students>. You will need to register with the information that I sent home last week. I hope that this will be a useful tool for you. This week's math test scores as well as our first Bible history quiz scores are posted.

**Next week, Tuesday, we will be having our first science test.** Your children should have their notes for chapter 1. Please be sure they are studying them carefully. For the first few tests, I have them highlight the information I want them to know. This should help them to focus in on the test material. They have also been given a study guide to help them.

I apologize for the confusion with the catechism class orientation meeting. I incorrectly put in the note last week that the meeting was this past Wednesday. **The meeting was scheduled for this upcoming Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 PM.** At least one parent of our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students is expected to attend. Please let Pastor know if you will not be able to make it so other arrangements can be made.

**We are still working towards our goal of 10 late slip free days in a row.** If we reach that goal, we will make a Slurpee run. If we reach 20 straight days, we will have a pizza party! Encourage your children to get their work done on time!

Don't forget about the **half day of school next Friday** for our teacher's inservice!  
Have a great weekend – enjoy the wonderful weather!

**Mrs. Van Loton's ~ 5th & 6th Grade Classroom** ~ **PLEASE remember that if the temperature is NOT 70 degrees, your child should NOT be wearing shorts to school. They are more than welcome to bring a pair of shorts for later in the day if it warms up.**

~This coming week is our first field trip. We were granted permission as a class to attend the trial that I was subpoenaed for. If for some reason my trial is changed, or handled outside of court, we will still go. There will be other cases that morning and it will be good for the children to see the court process. My drivers for this morning are: Mrs. Ott (who will also be in charge while I am at court), Mrs. Sultana, and Cindy Setain. Please be at school by **8:20am** so cars can be loaded by 8:30am. When arriving to court, Mrs. Ott will check-in with the court clerk and get the class situated. I may not see any of you before that. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

~Engage is up and running. Please go to [www.engage.com](http://www.engage.com), click on the “students and parents” and set up your child's account. You will need your child's access number which I have sent home with your child this weekend. Please notice that there is one access code for my classroom “engage-svanloton-#” and one for Mr. Wilson - “engage-davidgwilson-#”. Your child's English and Math grades will be under Mr. Wilson's access code number, while the rest will be under mine. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me and good luck!!

~We have a new class pet.....a tadpole. We have named him/her –Kermit. It came from a kit that is supposed to help you grow your own frog. We'll see what happens. Feel free to stop in and meet the little “thing”.

**Mrs. Murphy's ~ 3rd & 4th Grade Classroom** ~ I have received most of the permission slips for our field trip to Cranbrook Science Institute. So far I have Rose Doletzky, Carol Harris, Becky Kieta, Susan Ott, Kim Taube, Tricia Affholter, Rico Sabit and Nancy Ghannam as driver/chaperones. If you still wish to go or have not sent in the student permission slip, you can find it on the 3-4 classroom page at our website [www.atpeacewithgod.org](http://www.atpeacewithgod.org).

I am sending home a small strip of paper with your child's grades at this time. Bear in mind that some classes only have a couple of grades.

There is only one week left for students to pick their question/ project for the Science Fair and about 10 days left to finish their science collections. They may bring them early if they are finished with them.

**Mrs. Wilson's ~ 1st & 2nd Grade Classroom** ~ Every day procedures are running a little bit more efficiently. If your child has a missing or incomplete paper, a pink note will be sent home for you to sign; keeping you informed of your child's progress on a daily basis.

We had quite a few kids “cashing-in” at the treasure chest for their flashcards. (Flashcards should be done every night.)

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade readers began Arthurs' Pet. They have the following flashcards: care, night, thank, these, watch, well. They also have started “home reading charts”. Oral reading assignments are to be completed every night. Please read only the assigned sections.

In Social Studies, we started learning about the geography and landscape of Ancient China last week. They did a great job on their maps! This week we learned about Confucius.

We have two “new” incentive programs in the classroom. There are 3 marble jars: 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and happy jar. Marbles are placed in the appropriate jar when the students have done a great job. When a jar is full, the grade (or class) will receive a special reward: slurpees, popcorn party, movie, etc.

Sheet music is included in the clear folders weekly. These are the songs that we have learned during the week. I also included one more Highlights Puzzle Buzz sheet to sign. (I ordered this for Elaina last year, and

she LOVED it.) If your child like the search and find sheets, they will adore this magazine.  
Have a great weekend!

**Mrs. Olson's ~ Kindergarten** ~ In our Bible stories this week we learned about the first sin and God's promise of a Savior. We also learned the story about Cain and Abel. Check the folder for the things we made to remind us of our Bible stories. Please review the Bible passages with your child. There is also a special laminated sheet of important Bible truths which you may wish to refer to from time to time.

Today your child is bringing home the first letterbook – C. The children have had fun doing all the pages. Please read the very important parent letter which explains the letterbooks and also the extra sheets which explain our entire phonics program. The children are excited to tell you about their books – please take time to review Letterbook C with your child and also let him/her tell the story in the little illustrated booklet without words. The capital and small c handwriting sheets provide extra practice in writing the letters. This is a tricky business at the beginning of the year, but with more practice this will become easier and easier for the children.

Thank you for returning the math sheets every day. In our next chapter we will be learning positional words, more about shapes, writing numbers, etc. Our little number songs help us remember how to write the numbers. Another song is helping us remember the days of the week. It is fun to count to 100 with our exercise tape – every 10 numbers we exercise a different part of our bodies.

Thank you to the grandparents who sent mail back to us after receiving their special "hug" cards for Grandparents Day this past Sunday. It is fun to check the mail every day to see if anything has arrived for our class. Thank you, too, parents, for returning the Highlights sheets so quickly. I have already sent for our free gift.

Snack person for next week is Nathan.

Have a great weekend!

**Mrs. Gorsegner's ~ Preschool** ~ This week in preschool we continued to learn about our bodies and how God has made us the same but yet unique in many ways.

In Jesus Time we learned about Adam and Eve's sin and how we all sin. We also learned how God promised to send His son to forgive our sins.

This week our October calendar was sent home. Also, check your child's folder for information on our first field trip. The 3's are going to Plymouth Orchard and the 4's are going to Real Life Farms.

As always if you have any questions don't hesitate to ask.

**Youth Choir Notes** ~ We are singing this Sunday, September 20th in both services. Please meet at 8:10 AM in Mrs. Wilson's room. We will sit together for the first service and sing at the beginning of the second service as in the past. Remember that **all 3rd and 4th graders** are in choir and any 5-8th graders that signed up. Let us keep encouraging our children to grow in their faith by singing hymns and songs of praise!

**Pregnancy Counseling Center** ~ Please join us for the dedication of our new center on Sunday, Sept 27th at 3:00 PM at Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinlock, Redford. The guest speaker will be Pastor Robert Fleischmann, Director of Christian Life Resources. Following the service there will be a reception and open house at the new center, 25545 W. Five Mile Road in Redford. Parking is located in the municipal lot, next to the Credit Union, east of the center.

**ACTIVITY DAY IS COMING SOON!** It will be TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2009. For those new to our school, Activity Day is a special day where instead of classes; the student body is divided into teams. These teams participate in various activities such as assorted relays, tournaments, and other fun things. During these activities students are encouraged to use cooperation, listening skills, and problem solving as well as physical skills. This day offers a great fellowship experience for both students and parent volunteers.

We would like to have a potluck for lunch. If you can provide a dish please fill out the food part of the form below and return it to school by Monday, September 28. Since the kindergarteners are participating, they are invited to stay for this special lunch.

As mentioned in the first paragraph, we need volunteers to help with a variety of things such as supervising a team, reffing a tournament, be in charge of an activity station, setting up food for lunch, and cleaning up. If you can help with anything please fill out the volunteer part of the form. Your help is greatly appreciated and needed to make this day a success.

**ACTIVITY DAY, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2009:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

I can send a dish to school for Activity Day.

I will send \_\_\_\_\_

I can help on Activity Day in the following places:

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| ____ Lead a team               | ____ Ref a tournament |
| ____ Set up food               | ____ Clean up         |
| ____ Wherever I am needed most | ____ Man a station    |