



Peace Lutheran School & Preschool Memo

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Mr. Wilson's ~ 7th & 8th Grade Classroom ~ Next Friday, January 22, marks the end of the second quarter already. Report cards will be issued the following week. There are no conferences scheduled after the second quarter, but if you would like to meet to talk about your child's progress, please give me a call.

Thank you to whoever brought in the plastic forks for our classroom. We really appreciate it! Your children should be wrapping up the EXPERIMENT portion of their project in order that they have their RESULTS by January 29. Their results need to be sorted, graphed, displayed, etc. They also need to write a conclusion of what happened in their project by February 5. We will begin work on the display boards at school in the next few weeks. By February 26, I need to have their plans for what items they will be displaying at the fair (models, pictures, etc.) Please continue to make sure your children are faithfully working on their projects.

On Wednesday, January 27, HVL is holding assembly with the topic Egyptian animals. All of the students in grades 1-8 will be attending. Attached to this note is a permission slip. Please note on the slip if you would be able to drive for this school-wide field trip; we will need a number of drivers. Please fill out the form and return it to your child's teacher by next Friday, January 22.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs. Van Loton's ~ 5th & 6th Grade Classroom ~ Just a quick reminder that we **do not** have school on Monday due to the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. That will shorten the work week and possibly put subjects that are normally due on Tuesday, to be due on Wednesday, and so on. Next week is also the end of the 2nd Quarter, so all homework **MUST** be in on time and by Friday.

~Please note that we will be attending HVL on Wednesday, January 27th for another assembly. This topic will be on the ancient Egyptian animals. There is a permission slip attached to this Friday Facts. Please sign and send back as soon as possible. The cost will be covered through our field trip fund.

~I have sent home the January book orders. All orders are due by next week Friday, January 22nd. Thanks!

~Please make sure that your child is continuing to work on the experiment portion of their science fair project. All data should be collected and analyzed by the end of this month so it is ready to be transferred to the project board! If any question please feel free to ask.

Mrs. Murphy's ~ 3rd & 4th Grade Classroom ~ Today the third and fourth grade had a shocking and hair raising experience during our science exploration. Ask them to tell you about it.

Next week Friday marks the end of our second marking period. It's hard to believe that the school year is half way finished. Remember there is no school this Monday. Hopefully my students can find something to keep them from missing school too much.

On Wednesday afternoon, January 27, we will be going to HVL to attend an assembly featuring Egyptian animals. If you can drive please fill out that portion of the permission slip.

Mrs. Wilson's ~ 1st & 2nd Grade Classroom ~

Thank you so much to Mrs. Ostella. She came in on Tuesday afternoon. We went through numbers 1-10 in Japanese. We also learned to write mama, papa, Jesus, thank you (arigato), good afternoon (konnichi wa) and good-bye (sayonara). She brought in Japanese yen, fabric fan and different cloth patterns used to make kimonos. We made origami fish and she made a crane. We also were treated to two flavors of Japanese ice cream: green tea, and red bean. Thank you for sharing your time and knowledge with us!

I'm still missing Field Trip permission slips from the following kids: Gwen, Rebekah, Haley, Hannah, Katie, David, and Summer. I currently have 3 drivers and can take 14 kids. So... Drivers still needed.

Thinking ahead to our Field trip March 17th...I ordered tickets this summer and planned on 6 parent drivers/chaperones. Let me know if you want to "claim" one of the "Suessical the Musical" tickets at the bargain priced of \$6.

Mrs. Olson's ~ Kindergarten ~ We are beginning to learn the words to the song that we will sing in church on February 7. The song is in the Friday folder so you can practice with your child at home. Thanks in advance for your help.

Today your child is bringing home Letterbook U. Check the folder for the usual things that come home with the letterbook – practice sheets, story booklet, word list sheet, etc. We learned another "memory word" (one that the children don't have to sound out, but just remember as a sight word). The memory word is **go**. When you read with your child and come to that word, let your child read it to you. We now have learned the sounds of the five vowels and their importance - a group of letters must have at least one

vowel for it to be a word. The stories at the end of our letterbooks are getting a little longer. This week we learned about **rebus** sentences – they have a picture that takes place of a word. Please keep practicing the word lists with your child – blending gets easier and easier with practice.

We are making AB and ABB patterns with our shape cards. This month we are practicing an AABB pattern on our daily calendar.

We are hoping for lots of 100 Day mail for our classroom. Please send out the notes that I sent home this week. It is always exciting for the children to see if we get some mail each day. Your child will get to keep any mail sent to him/her.

Snack person for next week is Lily.

There is no school on Monday - enjoy your long weekend!

Mrs. Gorsegner's ~ Preschool ~ This week in preschool, the three-year-old class learned about opposites. They are pretty good at naming them. Next week, we will have our field trip to the Westland Library on Thursday. Siblings are welcomed to join us.

The four-year-old class has a busy week in preschool. They learned about the letter J and jam and jelly. On Monday, we made strawberry jam and found out the difference between jam and jelly. On Wednesday, we tried five different jams and graphed our favorite jam, strawberry rhubarb was winner! Next week, the fours will also be visiting the Westland Library.

Our dress up clothes are a favorite item in preschool and they are starting to show wear and tear. If you have any extra at home that aren't being used, we would love to make use of them! Thank you.

A special thank you to Mrs. Brugger for helping out in the preschool this week. We love our volunteers.

Panther Athletics ~ Just a reminder that the C Team s will be playing at St. John's in Westland this weekend. The fun begins at 9am. ~ The other Peace Panther teams – Girls A and B, and Boys A – will be traveling north to Lake Orion. Their games will start at 10am. Good luck to all coaches and players!

~ Because we have no school on January 18th there will be **NO practice** on that day.

Missing ~ One of our cheerleaders is missing part of her uniform. After taking pictures on Wednesday, her dance pants and leotard came up missing from the girl's bathroom. We are hoping that someone may have accidentally picked them up and packed them in their bag. I need all girls who took pictures on Wednesday to PLEASE check their bags carefully for these missing items. If they are found, please let Mrs. Van Loton or Dayna Schroeder know ASAP! These are items that this person has personally bought and would like them returned no questions asked. Thank-you

Cheerleading for K-2 ~ We started practicing this week during morning recess. We are working on a 3 minute pon-pom/dance routine. Please stop in the office to sign your little girl up. So far, I have the following girls on the roster: Bella, Gwen, Catie H., Haley, Hannah, Kaleigh, Annika, Elaina, Katie M., Adalia, Krissa, Cassidy, Summer, Lily, Aaliyah.

Hot Lunch ~ Please look at the due dates on each lunch order form. Orders placed in the lunch box after the due date will be considered late. Late orders will not be accepted. Sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause.

Band Notes & News ~ Thanks to the 6-8th graders for participating and doing such a wonderful job at the HVL Christmas concert. It makes such a huge difference when we play in a gymnasium with a larger group. Please add the following dates to your calendar:

Thursday, Feb. 4: Peace Spirit Night

Saturday, March 20th: Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Contest at HVL

Friday, May 21st: HVL Spring Concert

All band students have received new music for spirit night and it will keep them busy for the next few weeks. Please keep encouraging them to practice. Beginner band students will be receiving a separate letter today regarding their decision for Semester II. Please return by Jan. 25th. Thanks!

Piano Notes & News ~ Thanks to Miranda Schaeve for leading us in chapel last week. You did a beautiful job!

Thank-you for the many cards and nice gifts over the holidays. There were many compliments towards the piano students who played for the various services over the holidays as well. The congregation appreciates your dedication and willingness to use your talents to His glory!

It is tough getting back into a routine of practicing! We worked so hard on our Christmas songs and now it is back to the books. Many of you are moving to new levels so congrats!

3-8th graders should consider participating in the HVL Solo Contest on March 20th. More info will come soon but it is a great opportunity for the students to be challenged.

Lastly, please turn in January payments by next Tuesday. Thanks in advance!

Youth Choir ~ Our next singing date is Sunday, January 24th in both 8:30 and 11:00 services. Please make plans to attend. Students should meet in Mrs. Wilson's room by 8:00.

HVL Assembly ~ On Wednesday, January 27, HVL is holding assembly with the topic Egyptian animals. All of the students in grades 1-8 will be attending. Attached to this note is a permission slip. Please note on the slip if you would be able to drive for this school-wide field trip; we will need a number of drivers. Please fill out the form and return it to your child's teacher by next Friday, January 22.

NO School ~ There will be no school on Monday, January 18th - enjoy your long weekend!

MISSING ~ Three Bill Nye science DVDs are missing from their cases. If you borrowed these, please return them ASAP. Thank you.

Kindergarten Registration ~ Our kindergarten class will probably be at or near its capacity of 15 students for next school year. Our Board of Education wanted to offer families who are currently in our four-year old preschool as well as members of our congregation who have children of kindergarten age a chance to register and secure a spot in our kindergarten for their children before we open the enrollment to the general public.

On Sunday, February 28, we will be holding an open house which will also open the K-8 enrollment to anyone who is interested. **We are encouraging families of students in our four-year old preschool as well as members of our congregation who have kindergarten age students to register the week prior to our open house (February 21-27).** In order to register, you will need to bring along a completed registration form, which can be picked up in the office, as well as a \$100 deposit. If you have any questions, please speak with Mr. Wilson.

Kindergarten Round-Up ~ On Wednesday, February 10 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. we will be holding a kindergarten round-up for Peace preschool children and children who are not currently attending our preschool and will be entering kindergarten in the fall. The children will play games, read books, and make crafts. We will also have an informational meeting for the parents following the round-up from 11:30 – 12:00 a.m. If you know of a family who has a child entering kindergarten next year who would appreciate an invitation, please let Mr. Wilson know.

Peace Website ~ www.atpeacewithgod.org You are invited to check it out!! The Friday Facts, weekly church sermons, weekly lunch menus, maps to games, along with many other useful bits of information can be found at our church and school website.

Lost and Found ~ During the Children's Christmas Service of December 20th someone lost a camera. It is a FinePix digital camera model A205. Please see the office if this belongs to you.

Christmas Present for Peace ~ Is Peace on your Christmas List this year? By God's grace we have made significant progress on our outstanding debt and are hopeful that one additional push will help us retire these debts. The Christmas Tree in the Narthex is set up with several "gift" options for you to choose from. If you are able to give an extra gift to Peace this year (not your regular offering), we encourage you to look at the display and see if there is a gift that fits your giving range. Every little bit helps and will bring us closer to retiring our debt. (If you plan on writing a check, please make it payable to Peace Lutheran and place it in the envelope for the bill you have chosen).

Preschool Trip to Westland Library

_____ will be attending the trip to the Westland library

_____ will not be able to attend

Parent's Signature