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CLEANING

Cleaners for the weekend of January 12th are: Lehman (x3), Zuleger (x3)

* * Cleaning right after school on Friday or the last day of school for the week is the best time to complete cleaning duties. If this truly does not work for your schedule, you can get a key for the building. Please pick up a key from the office prior to the close of school on the last day of the week. Please return the key to the office when you are finished cleaning. The cleaning supplies are in the closet, kiddy-corner from the kitchen. There is a list of duties with numbers next to them and a list with the names of the families who are to clean. When you have completed the list of jobs you chose, put the number of that job done next to your name. This way, other teams will know which jobs are already completed and we know who has done their cleaning responsibilities. You will be notified of your week to clean through this Cleaning Rambler article, and there is a copy of the year's cleaning sign up sheets in the Fast Direct System under the LINKS tab. If you are unable to clean on your weekend, it is **your** responsibility to exchange your weekend duties with another family or contact the office to see if there are any open slots left if you want to be credited the \$40.00 cleaning fee. Thank you.

CHAPEL

Please join us for our weekly chapel service this Wednesday, January 10, at 8:10 am. Mr. Gerry Zeamer, Director of Recruitment at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School, is our guest speaker for this chapel service.

Our students have chosen the mission projects for this year. They are Good Shepherd's building project (2nd quarter), Time of Grace (3rd quarter), and KML Mission Trips (4th quarter). Last week's offering was \$49.56 Our total offering for the quarter now stands at \$732.80.

Please encourage your child to bring an offering every week. This is good training for future church membership as an adult.

KOINE AT GOOD SHEPHERD

KOINE, a WELS musical group, will play at all our services January 13-14th. A freewill offering will be gathered to support their music ministry and CD's of their music will be available in the narthex. Invite your friends!

TIME OUT FOR MOMS

Time Out for Moms Event Saturday, February 3rd at Little Lambs. "Book Fair – Coffee, Christ and Books for Women" Video workshop with Shaunti Fedlhahn, author of "For Women Only." Free childcare provided. Register at www.goodshepherdwels.org/timeout

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT NIGHT

Set aside Friday, February 16th from 6:00-9:00 pm for a special marriage enrichment night at the beautiful Maurin Center of Lac Lawrann Conservancy. All couples are welcome whether you are newlyweds or married 50 years already. Theme is "Getting on the Same Page". Invite your nonmember friends as well. Strengthen your marriage, enjoy delicious food and great fellowship and some mixer games with other Christian couples. Registration forms are available at church or school office.

PRESCHOOL / KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSES

Would you like to find out more about our Preschool and Kindergarten programs for next school year (2018-2019)? Come to our Open Houses to find out more. Call the school office at 334-7881 for more information. Tell your unchurched friends and neighbors!

Kindergarten Roundup & Registration - Saturday, January 20th from 9:00-10:30 am.

Preschool K-3 (3 year old) Open House - Tuesday, Jan. 16th from 11:00 am-12:30 pm.

Preschool – K-4 (4 year old) Open house - Thursday, Jan. 18th from 11:00 am-12:30 pm.

LUTHER MOVIE ON NETFLIX

"Return to Grace", the new Luther documentary produced in celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation is available to watch on Netflix.

NEWS FROM KETTLE MORAIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Freshmen registration for next year is still taking place even though the two nights designated for it have passed. If you are still interested in having your young adult attend KML next year, please contact the KML office (j)262-677-4051).

DVD ORDERS

We make recordings of many of our special events such as Spring Thing, Sacred Concert, Handbell Concert, and Christmas Eve services. Order forms are in the church narthex. There is a DVD sleeve with a label on it. You simply fill out the label, put the payments (\$1 per DVD) into the sleeve, and leave it in the basket. Completed orders are placed in the basket next to the blank orders.

There are a number of completed orders in the basket at this time. Please check the basket. If you have a completed order there, please take it with you.

Copies from this year's Christmas Hand Bell Concert and Christmas Eve services will be available barring any technology glitches.

SCHOOL CLOSING – INCLEMENT WEATHER

This is the time of year when weather may cause school to close or trigger a late start. Fog, snow, ice, or extreme cold are just a few of the conditions that can trigger changes to a school day. Please note that anytime the West Bend School District cancels school or has a delayed start, Good Shepherd follows suit. If the West Bend School District cancels school due to weather conditions, Good Shepherd also cancels school. Many times the school district gets the message to the Milwaukee television stations faster than we do. Please watch any of the Milwaukee stations for updates when weather conditions may cause school cancellation or delay.

CONSTRUCTION NOTES

Please drive slowly when entering or exiting our property at all times. Your cooperation helps keep the children safe.

Signs for the parking lot designating proper entrance and exit locations are now mounted and displayed. Please give us your cooperation in following these signs.

The only entrance open for basketball games is the lower level entrance. No one will enter the building for basketball games through the upper level. All upper level doors will remain locked during basketball games.

Soon excavating on the playground side of our building will start. This will close the doors by the vending machines. Upper level school entrance will be through the doors closest to the portable toilet. If you must walk your child into the building, please park in one of the designated parking stalls. If you are just dropping your child off, please do so as quickly as possible to avoid interrupting traffic flow.

LOOKING AHEAD

- January 9 BB @ St. Paul's, Grafton 5/6 boys, A girls, 7th boys, 4:30 – 7:30 pm
Common Council, 7:00 pm
- 10 Full faculty meetings, 3:30 pm
- 11 Shepherd of the Hills worship, 6:30 pm
Boys' Hot Shot contest @ KML, 5:00 pm
Bible Information Class, 7:00 pm
- 12 End of 2nd quarter
BB v. Salem, 5:00 pm
- 13 Men's Bible Breakfast, 8:00 am
5/6 Boys' BB @ Trinity tournament, 9:00 am
6th Boys' BB @ David Star tournament, 9:00 am
'B' girls @ Trinity tournament, 9:00 am
Good Shepherd worship, 5:00 pm
KML Percussion Concert, 7:00 pm
- 14 Good Shepherd worship, 8:00 & 10:30 am
Shepherd of the Hills worship, 8:00 & 10:30 am
- 15 Wear Your Favorite College Gear Day @ Good Shepherd
- 16 3K Open House @ Good Shepherd, 11:00 am
Fake an Injury Day @ Good Shepherd
- 17 Dress Like a Professional Day @ Good Shepherd
- 18 Superhero Day @ Good Shepherd
- 19 Blue & White Day @ Good Shepherd
Pep rally, 2:15 pm

SCRIP SPOTLIGHT

During the current phase of construction, our scrip table is located in the church narthex.

THANK YOU to our wonderful volunteers who are helping us out this week:

Wednesday 1-10-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: Corrin Ehlke / Senior Bible Study 8:30a-9a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Cindy Rennicke

Thursday 1-11-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: Sarah Schmandt / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Nichole Oertel

Friday 1-12-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Janice Ertmer

Saturday 1-13-18 6p-6:15p scrip table: Cher Birno

Sunday 1-14-18 9a-9:15a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE / 11a-11:15a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE

Monday 1-15-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Dana Scheunemann
Tuesday 1-16-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE / (inventory stocker: Nichole Oertel) / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Jen Retzlaff

Please notice we have six "need help please" spots in our schedule. If you can help us out, please visit our sign-up genius link <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a49aead2fa3ff2-scrip4>. It's easy work, a short time commitment, and a great opportunity to get first dibs on whatever scrip you want to buy ☺

Whether you're a scrip customer or a scrip volunteer, please know we appreciate each and every one of you! If you'd like to learn more about how scrip works or its volunteer opportunities, please see Renee Berg or call/text 262-388-2278.

Have a wonderful week!

PIONEER UPDATE

What a fun night with JK Lee at last night's meeting. They taught the kids about looking and sounding confident, showing love and respect, and using our words if being bullied. Hopefully all the kids brought home their boards – they did an awesome job at breaking them!

We also handed out the Sailboat kits (1st /2nd grades) and Pinecar kits (3rd grade and up) to the kids interested in participating. If you were not able to attend last night's meeting, but would like a sailboat/pinecar kit, please contact any of the Pioneer leaders to coordinate getting one.

Our next meeting is January 22nd, 6:00 -7:30 at the church.

BOOKS SALES FOR GRADES SIX THROUGH EIGHT

New flyers were distributed this week to these three classrooms. I do have an online ordering program which is set up; if you want to use your credit card to order, simply go to scholastic.com as a parent. The school code for grades 6-8 is H38T6. Orders are due in any form by 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 17. If you send the money and order to school, please make sure it's in an envelope with Mrs. Wilk on it, the orders have the child's name on them, and that the amount is exact. Your child can deliver it to me in the eighth grade room. Mrs. Sarah Matthias is going to process them for me.

SPORTS NEWS (by Rau)

Thank you this week to Silas Amundson. I know I have thanked this guy before but he continues to help people up off the floor and show great Christian sportsmanship. He is a man to look up to!

Thank you also to the great service workers this weekend. I got another compliment about you. People are amazed at the number of tournaments we run and how it goes so smoothly. I told them that I have good service orientated people around here that make it easy. They said that they can certainly see how wonderful you all are. I would have loved to tape record it and send an audio file with your Rambler. You are loved and your heart shows. Isn't that a great way to start sport 2018?!

*****Important notice-** Games on Friday Jan 12 have to begin at 4:30. The Salem B girls have to get down to Menomonee Falls for another game so we are moving a bit to help them. Every game will move up a half an hour so we are not just sitting around doing nothing. Volunteers please move your time up a half an hour. If there is a problem, please let me know. I can try to help cover until you can get here. Since I know this is a seldom read letter by all, please tell your non-Rambler reading friends!

Pep rally is coming Jan 19. Next week is spirit week. That is new here at GS. Monday is College gear day, Tuesday is Fake an injury day (Sorry, no elevator yet☺), Wednesday is Professional day, Thursday is Superhero day and Friday is blue and white day. It is going to be a great week! We will also honor our 8th graders on Jan 19 because they all play that night.

Good work this weekend to the B level boys teams. The 5/6 team fought hard and got 5th place. The 6th boys team won the championship. Good job, both teams.

Events this week:

Jan 9- Games at St. Paul's- 5/6 boys 4:30, A girls 5:30, reserve A team boys 6:30

Jan 12- Games HOME vs Salem 4:30 B girls, 5:30 6th boys, 6:30- A girls, 7:30- A boys

Jan 13- 6th boys @ David's Star tournament

5/6 boys @ B girls @ Trinity tournament

Jan 15-19- Spirit week- see above note

SERVICE HOURS
01/12/2018 (Fri.)

4:15pm - 6:30pm

Concessions (3)

Dana
Scheunemann

Katie Losik

Jenn Wagner

Concessions willing
to grill

Brent Snider

Hall monitor

Sign Up

Score board

steve
Burmesch

Scorebook

Joe Selner

6:30pm - 9:00pm

Concessions (3)

Jill and Andy
Spaeth

Brent Snider

Hall monitor

Amy Moeller

Score board

Amy Moeller

Scorebook

Joe Selner

3K AND 4K NEWS

This week the three year olds are learning about God rescued the three men from a fiery furnace. The four year olds are learning about the 12 spies and how they trusted God that He would give them the land that He had promised them.

This week we are learning about the letter "E".

Open house for 3K is Tuesday, January 16th from 11:00 – 12:30. Open house for 4K is on Thursday, January 18th from 11:00 – 12:30. If you are already in the 3K class and can't attend open house, please ask for the paperwork and we will be glad to give it to you.

Next week is spirit week and every day the children will have an opportunity to dress up special. Please look at the front of the Rambler for the list of special days.

Book orders are due by Tuesday, January 16th.

The four year olds will be making ginger bread houses on Friday, January 26th with the third graders. We will be collecting extra Christmas candy for these houses. A sign up sheet for extra items will be on the white board in our classroom.

4k parents interested in the kindergarten open house / registration, please note that it is planned for Saturday, January 20th from 9 - 10:30 am. Your child has a chance to be introduced to the classroom and you can learn about the kindergarten curriculum. Feel free to come and go with your child as time allows. You are not expected to stay the entire time. If you cannot attend, please obtain the information packet from the office and promptly fill out the registration forms for next year. If you have any questions please ask Mrs. Paustian. Thank you.

MRS. PAUSTIAN'S PENCIL

Greetings from kindergarten! There is a whole lot of learning going on in our room! We love to learn!

A new semester starts next week. Some of you have received information on paying for milk for the 2nd half of the year. If you need a form yet let me know. Please return it promptly. Remember, milk, water or juice for the morning snack. No soda, please.

We are really finding success with our sight words and Reading A to Z books. Please make the effort to read with your child most days. It is so important at this time in their lives! The books and lists are specifically made for your child's targeted reading level. What a great blessing for you to assist them and help them grow!

We go out for recess when it is about 20 degrees or warmer. Send the snow gear!

Mia is the leader this week with Show and Tell on Wednesday. Bryson is up next!

We enjoy singing "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" with our kindergarten friends! Please plan to join us for worship on Saturday, January 27th at 5:00 pm. We must make attending church important for our family! As his children, we must put God first in our lives. He will take care of everything else! That he promises us!

SPIRIT week is coming up with special days! Let's have fun with it! Remember these special dress days optional for the children. Whatever they wear, they still need to be able to read, write and go out for recess. Keep that in mind as they choose their outfits.

MRS. DREWA'S DETAILS

This week's highlights are as follows:

*Christ Light: "The Twelve Spies", "Korah Turns Against God", "Moses' Sin and the Bronze Snake", and "Balaam Blesses the Israelites".

*Math: We are learning about the place value of tens and ones. We will work with the numbers 0 – 20.

*Reading: We are working with L- blends. Words that start with "cl", "gl", "bl", "sl", "fl", and "pl". New reading logs and paper books came home yesterday.

* Science: We are working with the other 1st grade on a unit about space.

Upcoming dates to remember:

*Next week is our Spirit week. Every day will be a special dress up day: Mon., 1/15 - College Gear, Tues. 1/16 - Fake an Injury, Wed. 1/17 - Dress as a Professional, Thurs. 1/18 - Superhero, Fri. 1/19 - Blue and White Day. There is also a pep rally in the afternoon on Friday.

*Book orders were sent home today. Please order online or send them back by Friday, January 19.

*January 21 – 1st grade sings with the 3K and 4K in the 10:30 a.m. service at Good Shepherd. Please make note of this in your calendars. If your child is unable to sing, please send an excuse.

Thank you to Clayton's grandpa for reading to us last week. This Friday, we look forward to hearing someone from Landon's family. Please consider signing up for an opportunity to read. Here are the other dates that are still open: Feb. 16; Mar. 7, 16, 23; Apr. 6, 20; May 2, 11, 16, and 23. Moms, dads, grandparents, etc. are encouraged to come and be a guest reader.

"Blessed ... are those who hear the word of God and obey it." Luke 11:28 (NIV2011)

MRS. BIESTERFELD'S BULLETIN

Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed the Christmas break. The children did a wonderful job singing and telling about our Savior's birth!!

Wow! I was very touched by all of the thoughtful, kind and generous Christmas gifts that were given to me. Thank you. The gifts were greatly appreciated, and they truly touched my heart.

The second quarter ends this Friday. Report cards will be coming home next week.

Here's what we are learning this week:

- Through our Christ Light lessons we learn that God deserves all glory, and God sometimes disciplines those who do not give him the glory due him.
- In math we are learning about repeated subtraction and how it connects to division.
- This week's phonics skill is the long vowel o spelled oe, o, oa, and ow.
- In grammar we are learning how to use quotation marks in our writing.

- In science we are taking a close look at woodland and tropical forests. Enjoy God's blessings this week!

GREETINGS FROM GRADE THREE

Happy New Year! We are so glad it has finally warmed up!

I was very happy with the Christmas Eve services. The children did a beautiful job with all of their songs and recitations. Also, thanks, again, for all the lovely Christmas gifts. They were greatly appreciated.

First thing is to remind you that Grade 3 sings in church on Sunday, Jan. 21 in the 8:00 service. If your child cannot be there a written excuse is requested.

This is the last week of the second quarter. I don't believe I am missing any assignments. Look for the report card to come home after the 18th.

The week of January 15 is our "Spirit Week" here at school. There are specific "dress ups" for each day. Please check the school calendar for what to wear on each day.

If your child takes their gym shoes home to use for a basketball game on Saturday, please make sure they bring them back to school on Monday. We use the gym for noon recess on cold days.

We have been using the "runny glue" for our art project this week. It might be a good time to check with your child about their school supplies.

Read At Home resumes this evening. Please make sure the sheets are filled out and signed. The greeters for Wednesday, Jan. 10 are Pete Amundson and William Zingsheim.

Have a great week in the Lord.

MRS. MEHLBERG'S MEMO

The Christmas Eve services were beautiful in word and song. The students were faithful to learn their recitations and songs. The artwork and banner made by students also added to the meaning of the service. We owe our thanks to Mr. Kramer for directing the services.

The January reading log and bookmark project are due on Jan. 31. Students should choose an adventure book from our library or show me a book from home that they would like to read. The bookmarks are available in our room.

Looking ahead, our class sings with grade 2 on Jan. 28 at 10:30 AM. I will send reminders in the upcoming weeks.

The week of Jan. 15-19 is Spirit Week at Good Shepherd. There are specific "dress ups" for each day of that week. Please check the school calendar for what to wear each day.

Second quarter ends this Friday, January 12. Any incomplete work needs to be completed by Friday. Report cards will be issued on Jan. 19.

If your child uses his gym shoes for basketball games, be sure he brings them to school to use for gym class or our recesses in the gym.

Our science lessons on electricity have been exciting and educational. We have built various circuits, made a filament in a circuit, and soon will use our circuit tester to find hidden circuits in an activity. The students are working well with partners to complete these investigations.

God grant you many blessings in 2018!

RAU RAMBLES

Greetings! Happy 2018!

In Christ Light we are studying how God's people worship him. The hymn for Wednesday is 391 st. 1, 2, 6.

We sing at Shepherd of the Hills January 28 at the 8 am service. Please mark your calendar.

Book orders are due Wednesday.

The end of the quarter is Friday. Please make sure all work is in. Use that Sycamore app to check things out.

There is a science quiz on Thursday. There is a language test on Friday. We are starting a new winter book in reading today called Snow Treasure. Blessings on your week.

Science 6 and Spanish 7

We have a unit 4 test in science on Friday and a test in Spanish on Thursday.

WORDS FROM MRS. WILK

Welcome back to school and to the year 2018!

Such an interesting Christmas party we had. The lip sync was so much fun to watch, and our panel of eight judges seemed to take their job seriously. The cake decorating was judged by Mrs. Cull. The boys won for originality; their double-layer cake was extra tall with a layer of marshmallow below and above the top layer! Some delightful pajamas were worn with students getting somewhat warm in the gym. Hopefully the students delivered all the decorations back safe and sound. Thank you for all the gifts and gift certificates; I sent thank you notes via school email,

Eighth grade students will be having Spanish with Mrs. Rau during the third quarter, so they need to find old Spanish notebooks and bring them to school. Third quarter begins on January 15.

Last week and this week we are studying the review unit for chapter 7-9. That means this Thursday (1.11.18) brings a 180-word test. If everyone earns a C or above on this test, there's another ice cream party coming. Students have been given practice time in school as well as being encouraged to study at home.

It's not too early to be preparing time and projects for the KML Forensics Festival. Eighth grade has done three speeches so far this school year that could be used; they are: interpretive prose, persuasive, and visual aid. I will need to know exactly who is part of our team by February. I will also need some judges for that night.

I finished reading all the final drafts of the research papers before the Christmas Eve service. You might want to check out the research books that were done; you will find them standing up in the upper- grade hallway.

In history, we began WWII last week. I so enjoyed noting all the work and historical notes crafted into the play that eight students created for our viewing and review on December 21! We have a small accelerated history group this time for Topic 14.

Thank you for joining me in reaching out with God's word so that we can educate, encourage, and equip our children for life on earth and for bliss in heaven.

Seventh Grade

This week we will begin research papers. Students have received a full rubric with all the dates they need to be prepared for each phase of the project. All students will write a paper about whales or sharks; I have procured all the books available in the children's section from the West Bend Library; some students have visited the adult section. The speech that coincides with this is a visual aid speech. More information was given about this very important study last week.

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Sixth Grade

Fractions follow a short study on divisibility. Know times table facts is key! We are learning two ways to find the prime factorization of a number.

Last week we studied the Twelve Spies and Korah's Rebellion where God punishes his people if they rebel against him. This week we study the lesson of the Bronze Snake and also Balaam where we see how God disciplines those who don't recognize him as the only God.

Several students have taken the opportunity to work with me at recess on recorder. We practiced again today in class before the performance tomorrow.

Thank you for joining me in reaching out with God's word so that we can educate, encourage, and equip our children for life on earth and for bliss in heaven.

A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I don't know about you, but I don't make New Year's resolutions. I have tried in the past to do so, but I simply couldn't keep what I resolved to do. I finally gave up. Why resolve to do something knowing my history of failing?

Thank the Lord he is not like me! When the Lord resolves to do something, it is as good as done. His history assures us that the Lord will not fail to carry out his promises and plans. The Lord promised Adam and Eve a Savior as soon as they ate the forbidden fruit. When the time was exactly right, the Lord fulfilled his promise. The Lord promised that the Savior would pay the price for all our sins. Jesus fulfilled that promise on the cross. The Lord promised his people life eternal. Through Jesus our heavenly home is ready and waiting for us.

When we take the time to look at God's promises, we see that he is completely faithful in fulfilling them. As we stand at the beginning of a new year, we can take comfort in knowing that the Lord will continue to fulfill his promises. Look at Psalm 73. Verses 23-24 say, "You hold me in your right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory." God promises his protection and counsel this year and every year we live. He also promises glory when we die. Knowing that the Lord is with us every day, we enter 2018 confident that it will be a great year.

Happy New Year!