



# THE RAMBLER



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## **CLEANING**

Cleaners for the weekend of February 9<sup>th</sup> are: Parkman/Snider (x3), Hefemeister

\* \* 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, February 7, at 8:10 am. Pastor Hein is our speaker for this chapel service.

Our students have chosen the mission projects for this year. They are Time of Grace (3<sup>rd</sup> quarter), and KML Mission Trips (4<sup>th</sup> quarter). Last week's offering was \$84.10. Our total offering for the quarter now stands at \$228.58.

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

## **JOIN US FOR LENTEN SERVICES!**

Wednesdays at 10:00 am & 6:30 pm (6:30 pm at Shepherd of the Hills)

February 14<sup>th</sup>-March 21<sup>st</sup>. Services are designed to last about 50 minutes. Theme is "Lenten Prayers to Jesus".

February 14 – Jesus, Give Me a Servant Heart!

Lenten Dinners will be served in the gym starting at 5:15 pm before Wednesday Lenten services. Enjoy a hot meal and warm fellowship. Bring your sweetheart for this week's Baked BBQ and Breaded Chicken, Cheesy Potatoes, Fruit Fluff and Rolls. A freewill offering is gathered each week to cover expenses. Bring a dessert to share. We can use some volunteers for food purchase and kitchen set up. Pick the week of your choice. Contact Cheryl Henckel to assist.

## **MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT NIGHT**

Set aside Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> 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". Strengthen your marriage, enjoy delicious food and great fellowship and some mixer games with other Christian couples. (Sessions begin at 6:30 pm; 6:00-6:30 is for fellowship, subs, and snacks). Registration forms are available at church or school office or online at [www.goodshepherdwels.org](http://www.goodshepherdwels.org).

## **TAX CREDIT**

The state of Wisconsin allows parents to claim a tax credit for tuition paid to a private school. Claiming the credit requires the use of Schedule PS. You will find Schedule PS in the rack outside the school office with the pertinent school information completed. Please help yourself.

## **NEWS FROM KETTLE MORAINÉ LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL**

KML not only offers Christ-centered education; it offers a top-notch high school education. Consider last year's ACT scores. The ACT composite national score average was 21.0. The state's composite ACT score average was 20.5. KML's composite ACT average score was 24.5. KML exceeded the national and state averages in all areas tested (English, Math, Reading, and Science).

KML called Mrs. Marcie Kren to serve as our chemistry teacher. Mrs. Kren currently serves at Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Milwaukee. Please keep Mrs. Kren in your prayers as the Lord leads her in determining where she can best serve him at this time.

The incoming freshmen enrollment has reached 133 students for next year.

## **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.

## **SCHOOL CLOSING – CONSTRUCTION**

The construction project will soon be at a point where the new water line will need to be brought into the building. This will take two consecutive days. This also means two days without water. We are already scheduled to have no school on Monday, February 12. Due to construction Good Shepherd will not have school on Tuesday, February 13. We are sending out this notice at this time to allow

families to make necessary plans for their children. Please note that Little Lambs has limited space available.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- February
- 5 MAPS testing  
Board of Lutheran School, 6:30 pm  
Bible Study – Coping with Pain & Suffering, 7:00 pm  
KML General Board, 7:00 pm
  - 6 MAPS testing
  - 7 MAPS testing  
Chapel, 8:10 am  
Principals' Conference, 12:00 pm  
Chess Club, 3:30 pm
  - 8 MAPS testing  
Shepherd of the Hills worship, 6:30 pm  
Bible Information Class, 7:00 pm
  - 9 NO SCHOOL – Staff Development
  - 10 'A' boys @ St. Paul's tournament, 8:00 am  
'C' boys white @ Living Word, 8:00 am  
'C' girls blue @ living Word, 9:00 am  
'C' boys blue @ Living Word, 10:00 am  
'C' girls white @ Living Word, 11:00 am  
Good Shepherd worship, 5:00 pm
  - 11 Shepherd of the Hills worship, 8:00 & 10:30 am  
Good Shepherd worship, 8:00 & 10:30 am  
'A' boy @ St. Paul's tournament, 12:00 pm
  - 12 NO SCHOOL – winter break
  - 13 NO SCHOOL due to scheduled construction (water main)  
Common Council, 7:00 pm
  - 14 Classes resume, 8:00 am  
Good Shepherd Lenten worship, 10:00 am & 6:30 pm  
Grades 6 & 8 sing  
Good Shepherd Fellowship meal, 5:15 pm  
Shepherd of the Hills Lenten worship, 1:30 & 6:30 pm  
Lenten supper, 5:00 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 2-7-18 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 Rennie

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

Friday 2-9-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: No School

Saturday 2-10-18 6p-6:15p scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE

Sunday 2-11-18 9a-9:15a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE / 11a-11:15a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE

Monday 2-12-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: No School

Tuesday 2-13-18 No School

`Please notice we have four "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**

Looking forward to dog sledding this weekend! Look for carpooling and other info via email. If you have any questions please email Bob at [tandblam@aol.com](mailto:tandblam@aol.com). Friendly reminder the 3-5 grade girls will be learning about yoga on our Feb 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. Girls should have a yoga mat (or some type of soft mat) and a water bottle. More info will be sent out shortly. Our next regular meeting is February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

## **KML FORENSICS ON MARCH 13 FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES FIVE THROUGH EIGHT**

Wow! What a response I've had so far to participation in the forensics festival! While I haven't received permission forms or titles/subject matter for each entry, here's how it stands so far: eighth grade, ten students in six categories; seventh grade, four students in two categories; sixth grade, twelve students in two categories; and fifth grade, one student in one category. PLEASE return your forms by February 8 (this Thursday) and give me a copy of your piece so that I can give you a critique sheet for this year's competition.

For our team we are allowed only two performances in any one category; I am hoping that so many will want to participate that we will have even more than a team attending. Last year we took a team and performed very well. If you have any experience in forensics and could help students, please speak to Mrs. Wilk immediately. Because we have no Academic Showcase this year, we have even more preparation to do.

I have three groups wanting to perform playacting; there must be a parent willing to coach it separately. They are great fun, but time outside of school needs to be set aside and student extra-curricular activity can be challenging to schedule around.

If you would like to participate but are in need of materials, speak to Mrs. Wilk. She has a plethora of books for many categories.

The fifth and sixth grade students must be at KML before the 5:30 round begins; seventh and eighth grade students should arrive well before 6:30 P.M. to find their room.

We as a school need to provide judges for the evening. Judges arrive early to have a light meal while reviewing the critique sheets with the forensics committee so that the night runs smoothly.

It's not too late to be a part of this worthwhile activity. See Mrs. Wilk for details.

## **BOOKS SALES FOR GRADES SIX THROUGH EIGHT**

February flyers were distributed last 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](http://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, February 7**. 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.

## **FOOD DRIVE**

The Good Shepherd school children have a food drive during the month of February to help the people of our city in need. There are brown boxes around school for any non-perishable food donations. The Drive ends March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **READ TO SUCCEED (Mrs Rau)**

Read to succeed papers for grades K-6 are due back Feb 27. I can take them now. Please return them to your teacher. I can't extend the deadline. Let me know if you need a new sheet.

## **SPORTS NEWS (by Rau)**

Thank you this week to our A team players. You had a full weekend at KML and represented your Savior very well. I saw many of you offering hands to opposing players who had fallen. You showed Christ in stressful and happy moments. I especially wish to say again to the 8<sup>th</sup> graders- God's blessings on your future athletic adventures. Praise him always with your body and mind as you choose your high school activities. Remember the game is for down here, but His race is the most important one.

Please wash and return practice jerseys and warm-ups to Mrs. Rau as soon as possible when your child's season is done. Thank you!

C teams are still in action at Living Word on Saturday mornings and here Feb 17.

Congratulations to the girls A team for a consolation finish in division 2 this weekend. Also congratulations to the boys A team for a second place finish in the division one bracket.

I received the qualifying standards for the Lutheran State Track and Field meet yesterday. The date is May 19. This is the same date as the KMLGSAL softball tournament. If your child is very interested in attending the track and field event, I can help him/her qualify. This offer is especially for 8<sup>th</sup> graders. I think the event is for 7-8 graders. We do not usually attend because of the softball tournament and confirmation but I will help anyone that wants to qualify.

The winter sports season is kind of over the bleachers need a bath. Mrs. Scheunemann has offered to help make the bleachers look good again on March 10 and is looking for some help. If you want to help instead of paying for your service hours, please let Mrs. Rau know. If we can get about 4 people there, it should take about an hour.

#### **Events this week:**

Feb 9-11 A boys @ St. Paul's tournament

Feb 10- C teams @ Living Word

Feb 10- Cheer competition @ KML

#### **3K AND 4K NEWS**

This week the four year olds are learning about the day in which the sun kept shining. The three year olds are learning about how God kept Jesus safe from King Herod.

The four year olds enjoyed celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. Some of the things which we did were: 100 jumping jacks, 100 sit ups, 100 pushups (?), running for 100 seconds and making a tower with 100 cups. Thanks for bringing in 100 pieces of snack to share! We made a wonderful snack mix with all of the goodies, jelly beans, crackers, marshmallows, different kinds of cereal, chocolate chips, m & m's and cheese puffs, it was very yummy!

This week we are reviewing our letters.

We are excited about our Valentine's Day party! We are making our Valentine's day boxes this week. If you did not receive a note with the list of children in your child's class, please let us know.

No school on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming event: Lent begins on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### **MRS. PAUSTIAN'S PENCIL**

Hope we can enjoy this wintry week! We need it to be mild enough to go out and play in this awesome snow! PLEASE send an extra tote bag with the winter gear in it. Too many students are not prepared for recess. Also, see if the mittens are warm enough. The little stretch gloves are not warm enough for this time of year.

Sickness is visiting our classroom. If your child does not look or feel well, please be thoughtful of others and do not send them to school. On Monday we had 8 absent children!

We do not have school on Friday. We will return to school on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. This is a special day for us. Please have your child make or sign a valentine card for each student. We want it to be fun for all. I will plan a special class treat. If you have treats to share, please wrap them individually so the children can take the treats home. Thank you.

Book orders are due on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

We are collecting box tops again! Send them in!

If your child is reading for the Six Flags ticket get ready to return the sheet by the end of February!

Your child should be at school by 7:55 in the morning. Please work on this. Thank you.

See you at church! The children love seeing each other there! God bless your week!

#### **MRS. DREWA'S DETAILS**

This week's highlights are as follows:

\* The next time we sing in church will be for Lenten Wednesday services on Feb. 21.

\*Christ Light: "God Chooses Gideon to Lead Israel" and "God Gives Gideon Victory"

\*Math: We are learning math strategies. First we learned about adding by making a ten. Now we are adding by counting on with a number line.

\*Reading: We are still working with short /a/ and long /a/, spelled **a\_e**. Next we will work with short /i/ and long /i/, spelled **i\_e**.

\* Science: In our space unit, we are learning about the moon.

\* Spelling words to work on: "of, and, in, is, you, that, it"

\*Day 100 was yesterday. We had fun finding a hidden picture in our hundred chart, reading a 100 word poem, and eating a yummy 100 day snack. Please continue to practice counting by 1's, 2's, 5's, and 10's to 100 with your child.

Upcoming dates to remember:

Thursday, Feb. 8 – We have earned a bonus day called "Stuffed Animal Day". A small note will be coming home today with the details.

Feb. 9, 12, 13 – no school

Wednesday, Feb. 14 – Valentine's Day party – A pink note is coming home today. Please check your child's folder.

Thursday, Feb. 15 – field trip to KML to see "Seussical". Please remember to send your child's permission slip and money to school by this **Thursday, Feb. 8**

Since there is no school this Friday, there will be no guest reader. Currently there is no one signed up to read next Friday, Feb. 16. If you haven't taken your 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> turn, 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 11, 16, and 23. Moms, dads, grandparents, etc. are encouraged to come and be a guest reader.

"Make me to walk in your commands 'Tis a delightful road Nor let my head or heart or hands Offend against my God." (Hymn 462 v.4 CW)

### **GREETINGS FROM GRADE THREE**

On Wednesday we will be choosing our historical person for our social studies research paper and begin reading the biography. If I do not have a biography in my library of the person your child chooses, you will have to go to the public library to find one. If you have any questions about this please feel free to contact me. Remember, the person has to be an American. These biographies must be read by February 26.

Congratulations to Josi Losik for being our January Reader of the Month. I encourage the children to get their required reading done throughout the month so they don't have to rush to do 4 book reports during the final week of the month. Also remember, February is a shorter month.

We will have a Valentine's Day party On February 14. I realize this is the first day back after the long weekend, but I think it will be ok. If your child would like to bring treats to share with the class that will be fine. I will provide the drink, cups, plates, and napkins.

The greeters for Wednesday, Feb.7 are Raeya Graf and Taylor Scherr.

Have a great week in the Lord.

### **MRS. MEHLBERG'S MEMO**

Attendance has been back to normal this week. Let's hope that continues. We still need to take the MAPS tests which we postponed last week due to all the sicknesses.

There are two exciting projects happening in our room these weeks. Everyone is busy researching their state and making a poster. In science we continue to wire and decorate our houses. On Thursday, Feb. 8 we will begin to display our houses in the hall. Please stop by to see our electrical projects.

Our valentine's party will be in the afternoon on Wed. Feb. 14. We will have a valentine exchange and "Build Your Own Sundaes" for the treat. Each student is signing up to bring their favorite ice cream topping. Please discuss with your child what your child will bring.

In anticipation of the "Seussical" musical on Feb. 15, students are welcome to bring 2 Dr. Seuss books or stuffed animals to school this week. The permission form is to be returned by Thurs. Feb. 8.

Please make note of 3 days without school: Feb. 9,12,and13.

Blessings on your week!

## **RAU RAMBLES**

Greetings this week! I hope you enjoyed the winter snow this weekend.

Our lessons in Christ Light focus on how God blesses the obedient faith and warns against disobedience. Our hymn is 610 st 1, 2.

We took our tests early this week.

Book orders are due Wednesday.

We have off of school Friday, Monday and Tuesday. When we come back we have a small Valentine's party. We will exchange valentines. If you wish to send a treat, please let me know. If you need a class list, please let me know.

We next sing in church for lent February 28. Please mark your calendars.

Lent begins next week. This is a good time to see if your fifth grader is progressing on that independence route we talked about at the beginning of the year. You will know your child is doing well if he/she says memory work early to you, takes care of Thursday work early because of church, and gets longer term assignments done without you nagging.

We are headed to Seussical next Thursday. Please sign and return that permission form.

The fifth grade helps to coordinate the food drive for the school in the month of February. We can take care of the donations during the school day with the exception of 2 big events: The C tournament on February 17 and the faculty vs 8<sup>th</sup> grade game Feb 23. We need help these two days to package food, collect donations, run the bake sale and run the free throw contest. A separate form will go home this week but please begin the discussion around the dinner table today. Thank you!

Have a great week!

## **Science 6 and Spanish 8**

There is a chapter 9 test on Thursday. We are starting weather this week in Spanish.

## **WORDS FROM MRS. WILK**

Thank you to all the parents who made it possible for us to attend our field trip to the EAA. How blessed we are to have such support for our school! The students learned much and were excellent ambassadors for our Savior and school.

The test on verbal phrases was written yesterday. We now embark on the same subjects in clauses. We will add noun clauses to this study. After completing this chapter we will return to writers' workshop in fictional writing. Parents, this is brand new content; we've been studying, practicing, and mastering.

With a few weeks "under our belt", our reading with the first graders seems to be going well. It is encouraging to walk around to hear the questions the eighth graders are asking of their buddies to promote comprehension or to hear them helping sound out a hard word. Our next singing is at our Ash Wednesday services on February 14; we will be singing with the sixth-grade class. Actually, we will also sing with them in the last Lenten service.

Topic 15 in our history books covers 30 years and includes both the Korean and Vietnam wars. If you haven't seen the last history test, it was sent home last week.

Dilemma is the theme of literature for this science-fiction unit. After that, we should begin our novel *Voyage of the Lucky Dragon*.

Students are being given time during music to work on busking projects. The date they are due is February 26.

Just a friendly reminder that the day we come back will be our short Valentine's Day party; nine students signed up to bring party treats and good. We also decided that many wanted to bring valentines; if you chose to do this, please bring one for each class member.

I am still missing a report card envelope.

Enjoy your five-day weekend!

## ***Seventh Grade***

Phases 5 and 6 were taught last week. Many students have also been working ahead on the works cited page, a part of phase 6. While I have worked one-on-one with each student, each student still needs to work on his thesis statement and order of topics in order to do well on Phase 5-7. Last week the students were given their speech deadlines; they coincide with the date their first draft is

due for phase 6. Several have been using class time to practice with a stopwatch. I've encouraged them to practice with their visuals so that they enhance the speech.

Since the beginning of the calendar year, students have been given a great deal of time each class period, often the whole period, devoted to individual projects. The writing of the paper will most likely need time at home. Students need to remember to not just string along the note cards into fitting paragraphs, but they should instead read the note cards and form their own paragraphs with the notes jogging their memories of all the facts they know as they synthesize it.

Students are being given time during music to work on busking projects. The date they are due is February 26.

Enjoy your five-day weekend!

*Sixth Grade*

Wow! The math tests for preliminary fraction ideas were quite good! Several earned perfect scores. Over half of the class scored with A's and B's.

Enjoy your five-day weekend!

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**

The construction process moves along on schedule. We are reaching the point where we will need volunteer help. Soon painting and staining will start. Soon we will need help pulling wires for the computer network, phone system, and security system. Some of this work will take place during the workday. Some will happen in the evening and on the weekend. Can you help with these tasks? If so, please contact me. Let me know when you are available and which tasks you help with.