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CLEANING

Cleaners for the weekend of Stuht (x3), Mason, Wells (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, April 11, at 8:10 am. Pastor Knoll is our speaker for this chapel service.

Our students have chosen the mission projects for this year. The fourth quarter project is KML Mission Trips. The offering right before Spring Break on Donuts for Dads Day totaled \$167.35. Our offering last week was \$76.17. Our total for the fourth quarter is now \$243.52.

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

KML MUSIC FEST

KML Music Fest will be Friday, April 13th from 5:00- 9:00 pm. Enjoy great music and fellowship under the theme "A Knight to Remember" while supporting the music department at KML. There will be a fish fry and delicious desserts. They are seeking pie and basket donations to auction off. Contact KML to assist.

TIME OUT FOR MOM'S EVENT

Saturday, April 21st, 9:00-11:00 a.m. @ Little Lambs Childcare "I Read It In A Book" - Join us for a presentation by Paul and Carly Braun, teachers and Bible students. They will share how the Bible was written for men and women's differing and similar needs! Free! Babysitting provided. Please register on FB or the Time Out for Moms website for planning purposes.

TIME OUT FOR MOM'S BIBLE STUDY

"True Woman 101, part 2." All moms invited. Grow in your understanding of the blessings and opportunities you enjoy as a Christian woman. Led by Marilyn Sievert at Little Lambs Childcare Center. Free childcare provided. Selected Fridays at 8:00 a.m. April 13 and 27th, May 11th.

PK & K ENROLLMENT

If you plan to have your child attend 3K, 4K, or 5K at Good Shepherd next year and have not completed the enrollment, please do so soon. This is a great help for planning purposes. Enrollment forms are available in the office.

DVD COPIES

Please check the counter in the narthex for complete DVD orders. There are quite a few ready for pick-up.

NEWS FROM KETTLE MORAINÉ LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Daniel Gawrish has declined KML's call to teach physical education and health and lead the boys' varsity basketball program. KML's General Board will meet on April 9 to issue a new call for this position.

SUMMER CAMPS

There are numerous pamphlets available in the wall pockets outside the office for summer camps and programs.

LOOKING AHEAD

- April 10 Math Meet @ KML 6:30 pm
- Common Council, 7:00 pm
- 11 Chapel, 8:10 am
- 12 Shepherd of the Hills worship, 6:30 pm
- 13 Moms' Bible class, 8:00 am
- KML Music Fest, 5:00 pm

- 14 Good Shepherd worship, 5:00 pm
- 15 Good Shepherd worship, 8:00 & 10:30 am
Shepherd of the Hills worship, 8:00 & 10:30 am
1st grade sings, 10:30 am
Good Shepherd special voters' meeting, 11:30 am
- 16 MAPS testing begins and continues to May 3
- 17 Full faculty meeting, 3:30 pm
Coordinating Council, 7:00 pm
- 18 Chapel, 8:10 am
- 19 Shepherd of the Hills worship, 6:30 pm
- 21 Time Out for Moms event, 9:00 am
Good Shepherd worship, 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 4-11-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: Corrin Ehlike / Senior Bible Study 8:30a-9a scrip table: Deanna Borns / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE

Thursday 4-12-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: Sarah Schmandt / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Nichole Oertel

Friday 4-13-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: Corrine Wells / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Cher Birno

Saturday 4-14-18 6p-6:15p scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE

Sunday 4-15-18 9a-9:15a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE / 11a-11:15a scrip table: NEED HELP PLEASE

Monday 4-16-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: Sarah Hetzel / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Dana Scheunemann

Tuesday 4-17-18 7:30a-8a scrip table: Michelle Lehman / inventory stocker: Nichole Oertel / 2:45p-3:15p scrip table: Jen Retzlaff

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!

PIONEERS

A special thank you to our guest speaker Megan Plocher from KMLHS, who talked with the Traveler girls all about the theater. The Sunbeam girls had a special craft they worked on, as well as an 'all about me' project. While the boys learned how to cook on the grill – yum!

Your child should have given you a handout on the upcoming banquet. Please reach out to us if you did not get the information. Our next meeting is April 23rd 6:00 – 7:30 pm.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Wow! We already have **over 50** Good Shepherd students who have committed to raising funds to aid research to save the lives of people who may experience heart problems through the American Heart Association! As a thank you gift for that work, we will be spending an afternoon getting our hearts pumping through fun physical activities. This year, the entire school will focus on various jumping activities. The event is scheduled for **Friday, April 27. Please, be sure to return the permission form to participate.** Donations will be

collected the day before the event. You may also receive donations online by registering at heart.org/jump. There are extra donation slips by the office, as well.

The afternoon will be filled with team (teams are made of various students grades preK-8) events that relate to "jumping." We have split the students into 15 teams. We will have 15 stations for the students to work on various jumping activities.

To make the afternoon a success, **we are in need of volunteers** to help run the stations and help serve water(will be needed from about 12:15pm-2:30pm). If you are interested in helping out, please contact Mrs.Hagedorn.

BOOKS SALES FOR GRADES SIX THROUGH EIGHT

April 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 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, April 11**. 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.

UPPER GRADE MUSICAL UPDATE

The Amazing Grace Race is about a group of runners who are running the race of life. Metaphorically, it is about the Christian life, a trail full of mountains, valleys, and other challenges. The key to running this race successfully is to follow in Christ's footsteps, but we aren't competing against each other; instead we run beside each other. As we run this race, we serve our Lord faithfully out of a grateful heart and forgive one another as Christ forgave us. Hebrews 12:2 reminds us to fix our eyes on Jesus. As we prepare for the performance, we give glory to God. Save Friday, May 4, on the calendar to attend the afternoon or evening performance.

Auditions for both cast and vocal auditions are tomorrow from 3:15 to 4:30 P.M. in the sixth grade classroom. There are 9 characters and 25 solos available for this year's production. When homeroom teachers made them available last Tuesday, there was a great deal of enthusiasm. Forms were due today to Mr. Kramer.

All students in grades 5-8 participate. The costuming for the students should be easy. It's all about racing, so gym shoes and comfortable running clothes are all each child needs. Some of the nine characters may need a bit more, but those distinctions will be made later this week when audition results are shared.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP WITH THE MURDER MYSTERY IN EIGHTH GRADE?

I received no communication about our murder mystery from my first inquiry in late March. We must have help to facilitate what has become a much-anticipated part of our literature class- the murder mystery. Because some of my veteran volunteers are unable to come every day during our week-long activity, I need help.

We are planning to do this the second week of May (May 7-11) from noon until at the latest two o'clock. The students do everything from viewing a crime scene, forensics experiments, to a court case during this special activity. It's a really fun way to culminate our literature mystery unit, but I depend on outside help. If you can help, please contact me; we'll try to work around schedules.

SCIENCE FAIR

All projects that are going to the KML science fair should get there on Thursday from 4:30-6. Judging begins after 6 so please be on time. Mrs. Rau is headed there to judge. Please let her know if you need a project taken there. Please pick up your projects after 9 pm Friday night at the Family Music Fest.

PARENT HELP NEEDED

Olympic day is coming. We have had a parent coordinator for a number of years. Our previous coordinator is unable to help this year. We could use another person in charge. Mrs. Rau will help but has to coach a team. Also- we need many hands to help with the day. Please consider helping. It is very important we get enough volunteers for Olympic day. Please let Mrs. Rau know if you can help for all or part of the day. Yes, I know we want to watch our child, but a little help means everyone would have free moments to watch children. Please contact her today. I have about 6 volunteers right now. We are going to have many more to make this work.

MATH MEET

Tonight is the KML math meet. God's blessings to our two teams. Our 5-6 team is Silas Amundson, Sammy Ehlke, Michaya Schmandt, Rowan Bell, Anthony Mish and John Stern. Our 7-8 team is Avery Bell, Tania Garcia, Ben Stern, Ellen Amundson, Logan Hennen and Emmi Lechmaier. The meet begins at 6:30 at KML.

SPORTS NEWS (by Rau)

All winter jerseys are in! Thank you.

Softball practices are underway. Thank you to coaches Jeremy Przybyla, Corrin Ehlke, and Kevin Braun.

Please check with your child to see if he/she is going to participate in track this year.

3K and 4K News

This week the three year olds are learning about how Jesus feed more than five thousand people. The four year olds are learning about how God showed King David his sins.

We are studying the letter "K" this week.

We are going to the play Alice in Wonderland on Thursday and Friday, April 12th and 13st. The 3K class will go on Thursday and should be returning to school by 11:00. The 4K class will be going on Friday and also be returning to school by 11:00. The 4k class could use another chaperone if you are available. Thank you.

MRS. PAUSTIAN'S PENCIL

Welcome to spring! We are excited for a new season to begin!

We enjoyed the boxtop contest prizes! Thank you Mrs. Thierfelder for putting the goodie bags together for us! Thanks to all who brought in boxtops!

We are doing very well in our daily work. Thank you, parents, for the school work that you are reinforcing at home. Together we can make a difference!

We have been trying to tie shoes but haven't been very successful. Some of the children need some extra help on this.

Next week is spring break and we will all take the week off! Everyone is in need of a break! Have a blessed Easter!

MRS. DREWA'S DETAILS

This week's highlights are as follows:

*Christ Light: "Solomon's Wisdom" and "Israel's Kings Turn Away from God"

*Math: We are working with numbers up to 40. We hope to compare numbers and use the symbols (>) to show "is greater than" and (<) "is less than".

*Reading: We will work with the long o sound spelled "oa" as in goat and "oe" as in toe.

*Spelling words to work on: "as, with, his, they, at"

Upcoming dates to remember:

We sing this Sunday, April 15 at Shepherd of the Hills in the 10:30 a.m. service. Please have your child there by 10:15 a.m. We will meet in room 101. If your child is unable to sing, please send an excuse.

Last week, Jump for Heart packets came home. Please remember to fill out the permission slip, which was attached to the packet, and send it back to school. The permission slip is needed so your child will be allowed to participate in the fun activities on April 27.

We look forward to hearing some stories from Caleb Nett's family this Friday, Apr. 13. If you haven't taken your 1st or 2nd turn, please consider signing up for an opportunity to read. Here are the other dates that are still open: May 11, 16, and 23. Moms, dads, grandparents, etc. are encouraged to come and be a guest reader.

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." Psalm 119:105 (2011NIV)

MRS. BIESTERFELD'S BULLETIN

April greetings!

Jump rope for heart is taking place at the end of this month. The permission slip found on the collection envelope/information that was sent home needs to be filled out and returned to school by April 27.

Here's what we are learning this week:

- This week's Christ Light lessons are about Israel's kings and how they turned away from God. We pray that God would give us wise government and church leaders who use God's Word as their guide.
- In math we are telling time to the minute.
- Our skill in phonics is the /ow/ sound spelled -ow, -ou.
- In grammar we are working with contractions.
- In literacy we are identifying the main topic of a text, which helps our understanding.
- In science we are exploring solids.

Blessings on your week!

GREETINGS FROM GRADE THREE

It seems like forever since I have written an article for the Rambler! I have lots to share.

First, congratulations to Joel Retzlaff for being our March Reader of the Month. Only two more months for your third grader to qualify! Encourage them to keep reading.

We continue to have timed tests on the individual multiplication levels. Over half of the class has completed this first level and are now helping their classmates. We hope to get on to the next level by the end of next week.

I'm happy to say that all of the Third graders have completed the question portion of their research paper. They should now be putting the answers into paragraphs and writing the report. It may be typed on the computer. If your child is planning to use the computer for any of their presentation please let me know as soon as possible. It would be best if you could put it on a flashdrive. However, even if they plan to show pictures on the computer, please remember that they are required to include 2 printed pictures in the written report beside the picture used on the cover. If you have any questions about pictures or costumes please contact me. Tonight a note came home regarding the presentation evenings.

On Monday your child brought home some information on a new learning program that involves the chrome book or computer. Please check over the information and if you have any questions, you may contact Mrs. Kapler. I appreciate how they can continue to use the program during the summer months.

Grades 3 and 4 are planning their class trip to the Zoo on Thursday, May 17. We are limited to the number of chaperones because of the bus. If you are interested please contact me.

Last week, at the end of the day, two boys and I discovered two Nintendo DS3 discs on the floor in the area where some school bags had been placed. I asked the students about the discs the next day, but no one wanted to claim them. If your child is missing some discs, please contact me. It is my understanding that these games are expensive.

Our hymn for tomorrow is **Hymn 99 O Come My Soul** VS 1.
The greeters for Wednesday, April 11 are Raeya Graf and Taylor Scherr.
Have a blessed week in the Lord.

MRS. MEHLBERG'S MEMO

Thank you to the many that have sent a baby picture of their 4th grader. In science we are studying the stages of life. Please send a picture of your child in the infant stage up to about age 2 in an envelope with your child's name on the back. We will display these on a poster and try to guess who is who.

We have a couple research projects going on in April. This week they are to research a disease and write a report by Friday, April 13. They can choose any disease or I have many library books on display that they may use.

Last week the room was filled with excitement as we announced which state they had for their report. The class loves to be creative and they are learning how to research for information. They have until May 1st to complete a 5 page booklet and design a poster about their state. We will give them the poster at school. I am proud of the energy and pride they take in their work. They show that learning can be fun!

After the students wrote a flow chart on directions to their home, we are plotting their address on a map of city streets or a map of county roads. They love to study those maps.

The April reading log and project are due April 30. The project this month is a choice of projects. There is a poster in the room with 16 different book projects that they can choose from. Again, their creative minds are working.

We will test on unit 4 in language on Wed. and chp. 20 in math on Thurs.
Enjoy April – National Poetry Month!

RAU RAMBLES

Greetings this week! Happy Spring! Hopefully we can celebrate with some spring-like weather soon.

This week in Christ Light we are studying how sin causes harm and grief and brings God's condemnation. There is no hymn because last week was a short week.

We have a math test on Wednesday. Wednesday is a science quiz also. Friday is a Spanish quiz on things in a classroom.

We are getting ready for the musical on May 4. Costumes will be pretty easy for families. The musical is about the race of life so most kids will have athletic wear as a costume. Wednesday after school is auditions for roles in the musical. I am happy to see many of your children excited to be involved and working for special parts.

Thanks to all the dads and grandparents for joining us before Easter.

Science 6

Disease reports are due Wednesday. We have a quiz on lesson 2 on Monday.

WORDS FROM MRS. WILK

If you haven't returned the report card envelope sent home March 23, please do. I am missing quite a few.

We are finishing up our history unit entitled "A Global Superpower Facing Change". The years covered are 1975-2000. Yesterday we reviewed one section using a crossword puzzle; last week we discussed Presidents Carter to Clinton and reviewed by having four students speak in first person as each president. Pending the musical practice schedule, I believe the test will take place at on Friday of the week.

Plot summaries accompany our reading and writing of mysteries.

There's a photo shoot on Thursday afternoon (4.12.18) for graduation pictures; the setting is outside at Little Lambs. Students should dress up for these special pictures. A date for make-up pictures hasn't been set, but we hope all are available so that we don't have to photo shop someone into the group pictures. ☺

We are gearing up for Jump Rope for Heart also. Monies collected will go to the office, but forms go to me.

The Amazing Grace Race is the title of this year's upper grade musical. We are devoting quite a bit of time to learning the lyrics and choreography. I can't get the songs out of my head already! Keep Friday, May 4, free to enjoy either the afternoon or the evening production (or both!) Please see the article elsewhere in the Rambler about the audition and costumes.

Seventh Grade

The storytelling speeches went well last week. We've also been performing improvisational speaking in class so that all are more comfortable speaking in front of others. The majority of the class earned A's and B's. We will begin our next story this week.

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Sixth Grade

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Our lessons in Christ Light this week we see how God's people dealt with challenging unbelievers. Ahab and Jezebel were powerful and vengeful.

We are "changing gears" in mathematics after the unit test (expected to occur tomorrow or Thursday); our next topic is patterns using algebra.

Fifth Grade

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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

How often do you make comparisons? Are you a grocery shopper that looks closely at the price per ounce prior to purchasing various items? Are you one who comparison shops for a car, clothing, or shoes?

There are good reasons to make comparisons in many areas of life. Everyone wants to get the best deal available. Everyone wants to take advantage of a bargain. It makes sense to use comparisons in so many areas.

There are places where making comparisons can cause problems. For example some families will make comparisons between schools. Which school is cheaper? Which school has the better athletic program? Which school has a better facility? Which school has the highest test score?

Comparing schools or individual teachers is a difficult thing to do. There are so many variables to consider. For example, does one school have more special needs students than another? Does one teacher have more special needs students than another? Does one school excel in math but lag in reading while another school is just the opposite? Which one is "better"? If one teacher has a passion for teaching science and another teacher's passion is history, is one better than the other?

Comparisons are also troubling when comparing children. If one child excels in math and another excels in music, is one child "brighter" than the other? If one child can create beautiful pictures and another child excels in athletics, is one more "talented" than the other?

My point is simply this. Let's recognize the various gifts and abilities the Lord gives to his people. Let's not make comparisons between them. Rather let's appreciate the way the Lord has made us different and thank him for those differences.