



# Weekly Notes

September 8, 2017

## From the Administrator

This morning, I hear the elementary students singing "You are the everlasting God...." It brings tears to my eyes. What a blessing to hear the heartfelt joy and enthusiasm in singing songs of praise to our wonderful God.

We have finished our second week of school and it was definitely interesting! Thank you so much for the patience as we strove to address issues of heat, smoke and rooms without air conditioning. We are blessed with amazing students and families.

I Timothy 2:1 says: "First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people..." As the school year moves into high gear, I encourage you to be in daily prayer for your students as well as their teachers.

As we witness the power displayed through recent hurricanes, earthquakes, and wildfires we, as followers of the God of the Bible, have the opportunity to pray for those affected. The Psalmist reminded us that God is our refuge and strength, a very real help in times of trouble.

What amazing promises God has made to His people! We rejoice in that and in sharing these timeless, eternal truths with your students.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs. Olson

## Mark Your Calendar

- **Grandparents Day:** Sept. 12, 8:30 am, gym
- **Board Meeting:** Sept. 12, 6:30-9:30 pm
- **Grandparents Day (Pre-K & M/W Kindergarten):** Sept. 13, 8:30 am
- **8th Grade DC Trip Parent Meeting:** Sept. 14, 7 pm
- **Picture Day:** Sept. 19 & 20
- **Outdoor School Chaperone Meeting:** Sept. 26, 7 pm, Rm 212
- **Jog-a-Thon:** Sept. 27 M/W PreK-K
- **Jog-a-Thon:** Sept. 28 T/Th PreK-K through 8th
- **HS Jog-a-Thon Color Run:** Sept. 29, High School 8-10 pm
- **Outdoor School:** Oct. 3-6
- **Student of the Month:** Oct. 4 10 - 10:30 am in MPR

## Grandparents' Day

We are looking forward to meeting the students' grandparents and other important adults in their lives on Grandparents' Day. The main Grandparents' Day is Tuesday, Sept. 12 from 8:30-9:30 am in the gym. PK 3/4 and K T/Th are on this date. We'll celebrate PK 4/5 AM and K M/W on Wednesday, Sept. 13 from 8:30-9:30 in the MPR. PK 4/5 PM will be on Wednesday, Sept. 13 from 12:30 - 1:30 in the PK room.

## Reminder

Parents, please remember that spots in front of Bldg A with green rectangles painted on them and the reserved parking purchased at the auction are RESERVED spots. Please do not to park there, even if running in "only for a minute."

ATTACHED: COMPASSIONATE POSTER, SEPTEMBER ACADEMIC CALENDAR, SEPTEMBER MENU, AND FREE & REDUCED LUNCH FORM

# Information

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## Jog-A-Thon

Our annual Jog-a-Thon is scheduled for the end of September! We are running to raise funds for our Chromebook project and to increase our air conditioning fund.

The main JAT is Thursday, Sept. 28. PK 3/4 and K T/Th are on this date. Check with the teacher or the class newsletter for times. We'll have PK 4/5 AM, PK 4/5 PM and K M/W the day before, on Wednesday, Sept. 27.

Please see the event schedule, below, for student run times. Volunteers are needed Thursday, 9/28, 7:45 am-1 pm and Friday, 9/29, 7:30 pm-9 pm. If you'd like to volunteer for this fun event, please contact Karen Kogler at [kkogler@comcast.net](mailto:kkogler@comcast.net) or (360) 667-0159.

Wednesday, 9/27: 8:45 am M/W PreK (am) & Kinder

1:00 pm M/W PreK (pm)

Thursday, 9/28: 8:10-8:40 am 6th & 7th

8:45-9:15 am 1st & Mrs. Bauder's 2nd grade

9:25-9:45 am Tu/Th PreK & Kinder

9:55-10:25 am 8th

10:30-11:00 am 3rd & Mrs. Bourne's 2nd grade

11:10-11:40 am 4th & 5th

Friday, 9/29: HS "Friday Night Lights" Color Run at 8 pm

## Free & Reduced Price Lunches

Free and reduced price lunches are now available to qualifying families. Please read the attached National School Lunch Program letter to see if you should fill out an application. If you qualify, please fill out the Application for Free & Reduced Meals and return it to Amanda Close in Building A. We may ask for additional information to verify your eligibility.

If your children receive Basic Food or TANF benefits, they will automatically qualify for free lunches and you do not have to fill out an application. You will receive a letter informing you of this.

**Note:** If you filled out an application last year, you must reapply this school year to continue receiving free or reduced lunches for your children.

## September Student of the Month: Compassionate

Our Student of the Month (SOM) theme revolves around the 4G's: the Greatest Commandment, the Golden Rule, the Gospel, and the Great Commission. Our verse for the year is from Colossians 3:12-15. We are looking at the first part of the verse for our September SOM trait of "compassion:" "Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts..." Compassion syncs with our 4G trait of "Love Others: The Golden Rule."

Attached to these Weekly Notes is the poster that talks about what "Compassion" is, what it looks like, and what it is not. We encourage you to discuss this trait at home, brainstorm examples of what it looks like in a family environment, and to encourage examples of boldness at home.

## School Picture Day

Mark your calendars! Picture day will be Tuesday, September 19 and Wednesday, September 20. Students K-8th grade are required to wear their school uniforms. PreK 3/4, Kindergarten (T/Th classes), 1st, 2nd, 4th, 7th, 8th and 9th grade students will have their pictures taken on Sept 19th. PreK 4/5, Kindergarten (M/W classes), 3rd, 5th, 6th, and 10th -12th grades will have their picture taken on September 20th. More information coming early next week.

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## Scrip

Scrip cards are gift cards that the school purchases at a discount and sells for face value. This is a great and easy way to help raise money for our school. You can find scrip cards for most of your everyday purchases on the order form that is attached. **Scrip orders need to be prepaid and in the office by 9am on Tuesday** and will be available for pick up that Friday.

A small selection of scrip is available in the office for immediate purchase. These usually include:

- Amazon
- Home Depot
- Olive Garden/Red Lobster
- Subway
- Burgerville
- Lowes
- Safeway
- Taco Bell
- Fred Meyer
- Red Robin
- Starbucks
- Visa

## Loading and Unloading Zone

- ◆ Parents, please stay in your car during drop-off and pick-up. If your child needs additional help, please park and bring them in or meet them.
- ◆ It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that no one passes on the left during the drop-off and/or pick-up process, for safety reasons.
- ◆ Our morning unloading zone is the same as our afternoon pick-up zone. Please keep your children in the vehicle until you reach the drop-off/pick-up zone in front of Building A. Please do not stop your vehicle in front of Building B.
- ◆ We have a designated crosswalk for pedestrians walking into either of the buildings. Please cross only at the front of the drop-off zone in front of Building A. A staff crossing guard will be there to stop traffic to ensure that students and parents may cross safely.
- ◆ **Special AM Pre-school Note:** Due to increased traffic, pre-school students **without** older siblings attending FFCS should arrive at the school between 8:15-8:25 am.

## Volleyball Schedules

### MS Girls Volleyball Schedule

9/8	4:00 pm	at Trinity Lutheran
9/11	4:00 pm	vs Hosanna Christian

### HS Girls Volleyball Schedule

9/12	5:00 pm	Jamboree at Meadow Glade
9/8	4:00 pm	at Damascus Christian

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