



Weekly School Note

Divine Peace Lutheran School, 1500 Brown Station Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

Friday, January 25, 2008

End of Semester – Report cards were handed out on Wednesday – please sign and return your child’s report card after you have looked it over.

Payment Slips – Payment slips were sent home last week if money is owed for gym uniforms, aftercare, or lunches. Please send in payment to the school office by Monday.

Re-enrollment forms – Re-enrollment forms for the upcoming school year are attached. Tuition for the 2008-2009 school year is \$6300 per child. The book fee of \$350 per child is due with your enrollment form.

Basketball– Adults are welcome to come play basketball on Sunday evening beginning at 6:30 PM.

Singing in Church– The children will sing for the Ash Wednesday service on February 6 at 7 pm. A meal is planned for before the service. They will also sing on Sunday, February 10 in the 11 am service.

If your child is **absent or sick from school**, please call school that morning to arrange pick-up of all necessary assignments. We are concerned when a child does not show up for school and we have not heard from the parents. Thank you for your consideration.

Open House– The next open house will be February 4 & 5 from 8:30-10:30 am.

Cold Weather Reminders:

Please have your child prepared for recess by sending hats, gloves, scarves, etc.

School Cancellation Policy: If Prince George’s County Schools are closed for the day, then Divine Peace is also closed. If PG has a delay, we will start on time. Please use your discretion on delay days to determine when it is safe to bring your child to school.

CLASSROOM NEWS

Grades One and Two

WOG/Hymnology: This week we learned hymn 580 for recitation. In Word of God we learned about Jesus returning to Nazareth and the Parable of the Two Sons.

Math: This week in math the first graders worked on adding and subtracting problems mixed together for time tests. They also worked on separating even and odd numbers. They learned to make line segments using rulers. The second grade is working on using charts and diagrams to gain information for word problems. They are also continuing to work on adding double digit numbers. The

Reading: We began new stories this week. The first grade is reading Moving Day. The second graders are finished reading ANT. We did a short writing project this week. The students wrote a wonderful journal about what they would do with a personal robot. We took some time and turned it into a project. The finished ones are on the wall outside our classroom. Please come and read them.

Spelling: We completed unit 21 this week and took our tests today.

English: We are continuing our unit on verbs this week. We reviewed past tense verbs and are beginning linking verbs such as is, are, was, and were. We are also working with verbs that change form instead of add an ending.

Social Studies: 1st grade has started a unit on our earth and resources. 2nd grade will study how our country today.

Science: Everyone did a good job on their test! We began our new chapter on weather yesterday. We are very excited about our charts and other projects.

Art: This week we are going to work with collages.

Grades Three through Five

Bible History: This week we studied the parable of The Two Sons, and Jesus Healed the three men.

Hymnology: We studied hymn 580 “Every Morning Mercies New” 3 vs: 1, 2, 4-5th vs. 1, 2, and 3

3rd Math: This week we explored amounts of money, writing checks, and working with fractions. We will have a test next Tuesday.

Math 54: We learned division with 2 digits, Polygons, Multiplying 3 digits, and remaining fractions. We will have a test next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Math 64: Devon learned dividing by multiples of 10, and multiplying 3 digit numbers. His next test is Tuesday.

English: 3rd & 4th both wrote test this week. Next week we will begin Unit 7. Devon also wrote his test today. He will begin Unit 6 next week.

Reading: This week we did some buddy reading and practiced our comprehension skills. We also discussed tall tales, and realism.

Science: We tested on our weather unit and everyone did a fantastic job. We also began a unit on Oceans.

Social Studies: Grades 3-4 will begin their new unit next week. Grade 5 is studying the events that lead up to the Revolutionary War.

Book Report: You should have a book picked out for January. The projects are due Friday, February 1. A description of what is expected was sent home on Tuesday.

Student of the Week: Next week our Student of the Week will be Reid. He will be able to bring his show and tell, along with his favorite book on Thursday or Friday.

Grades Six through Eight

- **Hymnology** – This week we learned “Every Morning Mercies New.” Our four verses remind us of the constant love and care that God offers us. What a great way to begin every day of our lives – with God! 6th-8th graders will recite all verses on Monday morning. Remember to bring back your verse wheels on Monday.
- **Bible History** – We’ve been studying events in the early ministry of Jesus this week. WE learned of his healing power in the stories of the man at the pool in Bethsaida, and with the healing of the paralytic man who was let down through the roof to be in front of Jesus; of his almighty power in Peter’s great catch of fish & the stilling of the storm on the Sea of Galilee.
- **Catechism** – The 6th grade Catechism assignment for Tuesday is to read the story for the 8th commandment and answer the questions at the end of the story.
- **Science:** What a great unit!!! Your topographic maps all turned out so nicely! We reviewed our vocabulary today by playing “human typewriter.” Your chapter review packets are due on Monday morning.
- **NewsCurrents:** This week we reviewed the news from both last week and this current week. Topics included *polar bears endangered?*, *Pissarro – impressionist artist*, *Nellie Bly and her 72 day circumnavigation*, *Japan’s whale hunt*, *Iowa & New Hampshire political updates*, *Martin Luther King, Jr.*
- Today in **Math** we reviewed our lessons that were taught this week (Math 76 –L63 , Algebra ½ - L64, Algebra 1 – L65)
- Please remember not to order lunch for **February 14th – Valentine’s Day**. We will be going to *Generous George’s* in Alexandria, VA to celebrate the classroom victory in the *Penny Challenge*. We will wear our red Divine Peace polo shirt, dark blue blue jeans and tennis shoes.
- In **Music** we will have a test on Monday.