



Weekly School Note

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

Thursday, November 1, 2007

No School. On **November 2** and **3** the teachers will be attending an in-service with the other teachers in the district. They will be focusing on spelling as their in-service topic.

Parent Meeting. On Friday, November 9th from 7-8pm. The gym will be open for your children while we meet in the fellowship hall. This meeting will recap our school year, follow-up on Teacher's Conferences, and help you plan for the next portion of our school year.

LOOKING AHEAD

Singing in Church. The students will sing in the 8:30 AM service on **Sunday, November 11**. Please meet in Mr. Roux's classroom at 8:10 am. Mr. Roux's class will provide the refreshments for fellowship time following the service.

November 16 will mark the end of the second grading term. Report cards will be sent home the following Wednesday.

No School. School will be dismissed at noon on November 21 for the Thanksgiving Break. There is no school November 22 or 23.

CLASSROOM NEWS

Grades One and Two

Hello everyone! I hope you have a wonderful weekend. I accidentally told everyone that the reading charts were due today, they are NOT. They are due on Monday. I'm sorry about any confusion. Here is what we are working on:

Word of God / Hymnology: This week we didn't have a hymn. Next week's hymn is 573: Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling. We will be singing at the 8:30 AM service on November 11th. We are studying King David in Word of God next week. In Word of God we are studying Elijah.

Math: The first graders are working hard on adding, especially doubles facts (1+1; 2+2; etc) and now for next week we will need to practice +1 facts (3+1; 6+1; etc.). Second graders are reviewing clocks, some, some more and some, some went away word problems, are working with number charts, and are working on improving time test scores (although they are all doing really well already).

Reading: We are back to our reading books. The first graders read the story: A Hut for Zig Bug and are working on ending consonants. The second graders finished At the Pond this week. They are also working on consonant clusters.

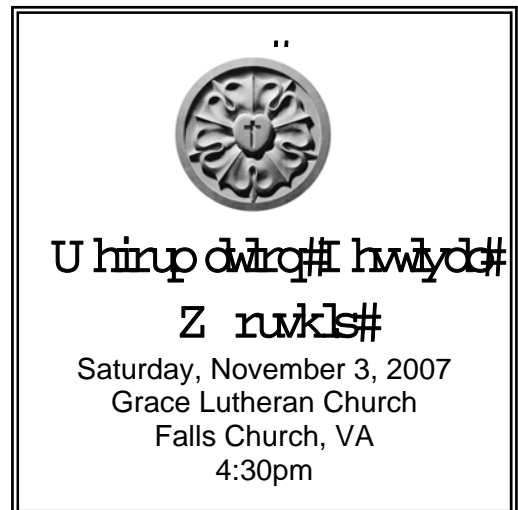
Spelling: The first graders started their spelling unit (9) this week. The second graders are going to be working on Unit 11 next week.

Social Studies: First grade is learning about leaders and laws. Second grade learned the steps in producing goods for consumers.

Science: We have started a new unit on energy, magnets, and force. This week we talked about gravity.

Grades Three through Five

- **Hymnology:** Hymn 593 "Now The Light Has Gone Away" 3rd -4th: 1-3 5th grade 1-4
- **Word of God:** This week in Bible History we talked about the first 3 kings of Israel and what kind of King each of them was. We also discussed how we can learn from each one.
- **Math:** 3rd Grade talked about telling time, adding 3 or more 1 digit numbers, and writing number sentences. We will have a test at the beginning of next week. 4th graders learned about the multiplication table, multiplication by addition, and multiplication fact 0,1,2,and 5. They also took a test today! 5th grade worked with more division, reading and telling time, writing number lines, and multiplying by 10 and 100. There will be a test on Monday.



- **Reading:** 3rd Grade started their new unit in Reading class and worked on making a proper outline. We had awesome discussions. 4th grade also began a new unit and we will continue talking about different literature Genres later next week. 5th Grade discussed autobiographies about Michelle Kwan and we will continue that discussion on Monday.
- **English:** 3- 4th grade is working very hard with verbs. 3rd grade will be ready for a test either Tuesday or Wednesday next week. 5th grade has spent the week discussion direct objects, linking verbs and action verbs.
- **Spelling:** Unit 10 will be due next week Wednesday. A good way to review the words with your children is to have them look, say it, and then spell it!
- **Social Studies:** This week we discussed ethnic communities in the 3-4 grade class and also reviewed for our test coming next week on Wednesday. 5th grade talked about Christopher Columbus, Longitude and Latitude lines. 5th grade will have a test on Monday.
- **Science-** Class was so very enLIGHTening this week. We had an experiment using prisms and the sun, and on Wednesday we had a video on light and shadows.
- **November Book Report:** This month's theme is Animals. Please help your child select a book to read and have him or her bring the book in to be approved by me.
- **Classroom Captain:** Arrey Thomas is going to be our Class Captain next week. She will be able to bring in Favorite books to share with the class, a show and tell (preferably no pets, unless approved by me) and conduct an interview with the rest of the class!
- **Book It!!!!** : We will continue our Book it program. I am sending home a new calendar with your child today. Please fill out the Calendar and return it at the end of the month for your child to receive a certificate for free pizza.

Grades Six through Eight

- **Math:** This coming Tuesday we will be writing our next tests. Tests will cover material from lessons 1-30 (primarily lessons 20-25).
- **English 6:** Today we worked with linking verbs. Complete pages 130-131 (all portions) for Monday.
- **English 78:** In class today we worked with the *progressive* form. There is no homework assignment.
- **Spelling:** Unit 10 will be due next week Wednesday. Please work on this over the weekend.
- **Vocabulary for Achievement:** Unit 10 is due this coming Thursday. Please work on this over the weekend.
- **Science:** We've completed Chapter 4 in our chemistry unit. Please make flashcards for all of your vocabulary terms on page 107. The concept Map on page 107 should be completed as well. The Chapter Review (pages 108-109) is due on Monday as well. Please complete all questions (1-32; except #16). We worked through #17-26 in class (students still need to write it out). We will correct our review on Monday, review in class on Tuesday, and write our chapter test next week Wednesday.
- Complete your **Spanish** worksheet on clothes, colors, and verbs for Monday (quiz).
- 6th graders started a new unit in **phonics** today. Remember to complete your work on pages 39-40 for Monday.
- In **Reading** today we worked with more about Martin Luther. Remember to complete section 8: The Ninety-Five Theses, pages 39-43 #1-5) for Monday. The **Reading Calendar** for November are attached. Please keep it at home on your refrigerator and return in at the end of the month.
- In **PE** today we worked on a footballs skills test (throw, pitch, punt). Uniform order sheets were sent home with your child yesterday.
- **NewsCurrents:** Today we discussed the following issues: Voter ID, monarch butterfly migration, and Dumpster-Diving "Freegans." Marion Jones's guilty plea, Benazir Bhutto's plight for freedom and re-entrance into the political scene of Pakistan, along with a look at Theodore Roosevelt, made up our section on famous people.
- **Thank you** for the awesome treats your brought in and shared yesterday. I hope you had a safe evening of fun last night. While the world celebrated Halloween yesterday, remember the gift God gave to his church through the work of Martin Luther – free salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. Enjoy All Saints' Day today – think about the people who have taught you of Christ and his love.