



Weekly School Note

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

Friday, February 1, 2008

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

Singing in Church– The children will sing for the Ash Wednesday service on **February 6 at 7 pm**. Children should meet in the school at 6:40 pm. A soup and sandwich meal is planned for before the service. Please see the church bulletin board if you would like to help provide for the meal. The children will also sing on **Sunday, February 10** in the **11 am** service. Mr. Roux's classroom will be responsible for the fellowship hour following the service.

Re-enrollment forms – Re-enrollment forms for the upcoming school year were sent home last Friday. Tuition for the 2008-2009 school year is \$6300 per child. The book fee of \$350 per child is due with your enrollment form. Re-enrollment forms are due by **March 15**.

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.

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 83 for recitation. In Word of God we learned about Jesus telling the parable of the 10 Young Women.

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 receipts by adding 2 digit numbers and 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 new word problems let them use a work space for adding instead of drawing a picture.

Reading: We began new stories this week. The first grade is reading Moving Day. The second graders are reading The Great Ballgame. We had our first oral book reports of the year yesterday and everyone did an excellent job.

Next month's book report will celebrate Black History Month.

Spelling: We completed unit 22 (2nd grade) and Unit 25 (1st grade) 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. This week we worked with geography terms. 2nd grade is learning about the government in our country. This week they learned about state and federal governments.

Science: We are working on weather in our new unit. Right now we are studying the seasons and tracking the weather to make a chart at the end of the month.

Art: This week we will take our knowledge of collage and make "ripped" art.

Grades Three through Five

Bible History: We spent time talking about Christ second coming, and the parable of the 10 young women.

Hymnology: We studied Hymn 83 "As With Gladness Men of Old" 3rd-4th grade: 1, 4, 5th grade: 1, 4, and 5

3rd Math: We will have a test next week Thursday.

Math 54: We wrote a test this week, our next one will be Friday, or the following Monday.

Math 64: Devon spent time reviewing, and working with some activity sheets.

English: Well all took time this week to learn about personal narratives. We will be sharing what we wrote on Monday.

Reading: This week we worked on oral and silent reading.

Science: This week we watched a video about the ocean and dove into our lessons.

Social Studies: Grades 3-4 are studying the history of some areas along the East coast. Grade 5 is studying the events that lead up to the Revolutionary War.

Book Report: Our February book report is Fantasy. Please bring in your book to be approved by me.

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

Grades Six through Eight

- **Hymnology:** Today we studied “As with Gladness Men of Old.” Verses 1, 2, and 4 are to be memorized for Monday. Verse one reminds us of the privilege we share in being a follower of Christ. Verse two reminds us of the attitude we are to have concerning the study God’s Word and worship – “so may we with willing feet...” We are reminded in verse three to bring our treasures to Christ in thanks for all he has done for us. Our daily walk in this world is difficult at times. Verse four is a great prayer to use as we ask God to be with us, to strength us, and to bring us to heaven to be with Him. The joys of heaven are expressed by the hymn writer in verse five. What a great reminder and poetic picture of life with Christ!
- **Math 65-** Devon: Today we learned about diagramming fractions to complete word problems (Lesson 67 – all for Monday).
- **Math 65-** Jazmyne: Our work with double digit multiplication is on-going. Today we did more review.
- **Math 76-** We’ve had a fun week in Math! We learned how to make factor trees and how to do the division of primes. Yesterday we worked on reducing fractions using prime numbers also. Our work for today was Lesson 86: Dividing Mixed Numbers. Remember to complete the Supplemental Practice for Lesson 68 for Monday.
- **Algebra ½-** We finished this week with Lesson 68-Solving Proportions with Mixed Numbers.
- **Algebra 1-** Lesson 70 with *probability and designated order* wrapped up our math study for the week.
- **English 6-** Today we wrote our practice test on punctuation. Please complete your review of quotation marks from page 271 for Monday. We will write our chapter test on Monday.
- **English 78-** Today we wrote our test on punctuation.
- **Social Studies** – Test on Tuesday (Chapter 7). Complete the vocabulary cards/definitions and worksheets for Monday (see attached sheet for vocabulary words – note that all definitions have been completed for your use).
- **History 78** – Today we wrote our test on chapter 20. Special care needs to be taken when writing essay questions. Use specific examples that answer the question. General thoughts are nice, but need to be support be specific details (names, dates, places, etc.).
- **NewsCurrents** – Today’s discussion included *Super Tuesday*, President Bush’s final State of the Union speech, clones meat & milk, *Mercury*, super Bowl XLII, the country of Yemen and the historical assassination attempt on Andrew Jackson.
- **Spelling** – Unit 22 for next week Wednesday.
- **Vocabulary for Achievement** – Unit 21 for next week Thursday.
- **Happy Birthday, Philip!** God’s blessings to you as you turn 14 on Saturday!!!! Thank you for the delicious cake for the classroom.
- **Special thanks** to Alexis Whalen, Philip Redman and Regina Daniel for their work in cataloging library books in our classroom.
- **Please bring in any Reader’s Digest magazines (pass the word to all of your relatives, neighbors and friends).**
- **Book Reports** are due on February 15th – realistic fiction.