

# Every Friday Note

Our Savior Lutheran School 1916 Ridgewood Ave. SE Grand Rapids, MI 49506 www.oursavior-gr.org

#### **Online Calendar**

Visit our online calendar to find out what's happening at OSLS: www.oursavior-gr.org/school.

#### School Board

The next school board meeting will take place on Monday, May 7 at 7pm at OSLS.

#### **May 11**

K-8 students will be dismissed at 12pm on Friday, May 11. There is no preschool on this date.

#### Matins on May 10 and May 11

Wednesday Matins have been moved to Thursday and Friday next week. On Thursday, we will observe Christ's Ascension into heaven. On Friday, students and their grandparents will celebrate Matins as part of Grandparents Day. Students should dress appropriately both days.

## **Matins Singing Schedule**

Thursday, May 10 Schola Cantorum Friday, May 11 Voce Solida

#### Offerings

Third trimester matins offerings will go to support the work of West Michigan Lutheran High School.

#### Learn by Heart for the week of May 7

The Lord's Supper

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking? These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

John 15:5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

# Thanks!

The teachers and students would like to thank all of the parents who helped with All School Volunteer Day on Monday!

# **Grandparents Day**

Grandparents Day is May 11. This ½ day of school is the special day students may invite their grandparents or other "older" relative or friend (not mom or dad) to join them in their morning activities. The day begins with chapel. Grandparents and children will enjoy a dress rehearsal of the 5-6 grade play "A Walk in the Woods". Room parents will serve refreshments to the grandparents who will then join their grandchildren in some classroom activities. School ends at 12:00pm this day. There is no preschool.

All Parents--- Parents are asked to provide refreshments for grandparents on May 11. The items should be finger-foods. Please bring food to school that morning. Refreshments are served in the Art and English rooms. If you last name begins with the following letters, please bring the suggested item...

- A-G cheese and crackers or a savory snack
- H-M breads/muffins
- N-R cookies/donuts
- S-Z fruits/veggies

# **Drama**

#### 5-6 Grade Play: A Walk in the Woods

Here are the tales of Goldilocks, the Three Bears, Red Riding Hood, the Three Pigs, and Hansel and Gretel, all blended into one delightful play while staying true to the original stories. Goldilocks, forest-savvy from having to survive in the woods without a family, is on the run from the Three Bears but takes time to help Red Riding Hood, who is leery of her stepmother's motivation in sending her out into the woods at dusk with a basket full of food and a bright red cloak. Along the way, they are saved by the Woodsman and from the zany Wolf. By the time you bring in citizens of Mother Goose's village, including Jack Horner, the Butcher, the Baker and the Candlestick Maker, you can see why this fractured fairy tale is sure to be a hit. Please join us for the 5-6 grade production of "A Walk in the Woods" on Friday, May 11 at 7pm.

#### 5-6 Grade Drama Schedule:

Please note the time change! Monday: 3:30-5:15 pages 1-31 Tuesday: 3:30-5:15 Dress Rehearsal

Friday: 5-6 grade students should be at school at 6pm

for make-up and pictures.

# Registration

Preschool and grade school registration packets have been sent home. To help our church and school with planning for next year, please return the completed packet as soon as possible.

Tuition Reduction forms are available from Pastor Swem or the office. The due date for the return of all documentation for approval by the school board committee that awards additional aid to families is May 29, 2018.

# **Preschool**

In the month of May, we will be learning all about the oceans. We will learn many interesting facts about turtles, whales, sharks, dolphins, and fish. We will also create some really beautiful projects!

Our Savior Lutheran Preschool is now enrolling for fall. We offer classes for 3 and 4 year old students. Please contact the school office for information (616-949-0710).

# **Music**

## **Spring Concert**

The Spring Concert will be May 16 at 7pm. Come and enjoy an evening of music performed by our school ensembles: chimes, beginner and advanced band, and our school choir Voce Solida.

# Library

#### Three x Three

3x3 forms are due by library time on Wednesday, May 16.

## 3-4 Grade Library Activity

Today 3-4 grade students worked to solve a puzzle created by Mr. Lemoncello himself. This puzzle tested their knowledge of the Dewey Decimal System. The fun and games ended with a mini gala to congratulate the students on a job well done. Parents, thank you for volunteering to bring in snacks to make this afternoon special for our students.

#### **Library Dates**

The last day of library will be Wednesday, May 16. All library books are due on Wednesday, May 23.

# **Field Trips**

### Kindergarten Field Trip

The kindergarten class is going on a field trip on Monday, May 7. Students will enjoy a Sensory Adventures program at Calvin College's Ecosystem Preserve. Students need to dress appropriately for being outside in the woods.

#### 3-8 Grade Track Meet in Reed City

On Tuesday, May 8, 3-8 grade students will travel to Reed City to participate in the NW Track Meet. Students should wear OSLS gear and bring a sweatshirt and hat. Students should bring a sack lunch or money to purchase lunch. Don't forget to send along sunscreen. Students will return to OSLS by the end of the school day.

#### 3-4 Grade Field Trip to Lansing

The 3-4 grade students will visit our state's capitol in Lansing on May 21. They will enjoy a tour of the capitol building and the museum. There is no cost for this field trip. Drivers are needed.

#### 7-8 Grade Class Trip

The 7-8 grade class trip will be May 21-May 23. Students will visit Hartwick Pines State Park and Mill Creek State Park. They will take the ferry to Mackinac Island to explore Fort Mackinac. Students will tour Colonial Michilimackinac. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Roberts (<a href="mailto:groberts@oursavior-gr.org">groberts@oursavior-gr.org</a>).

## **Athletics**

## **OSLS Running Club**

Can you believe it?! Fourth grader Isaac Norcross has already run 200 laps during Running Club. Way to go, Isaac!

Please visit SignUpGenius to volunteer (<a href="http://bit.ly/2nLOV9i">http://bit.ly/2nLOV9i</a>). Please contact Mrs. LaDene Lyon if you have any questions.

## Summer Basketball Camps

Our Savior Lutheran is hosting two basketball camps during the week of June 25. The first camp is for students entering grades 5, 6, and 7. This camp runs from 9:00am-2:00pm. The second camp is for students entering grades 3,4, and 5. The camp runs from 2:30-5:00pm. Registration forms can be found in the office.

#### **Track Meets**

OSLS's track season consists of two track meets.

May 8: Grades 3-8 travel to Reed City for the

NW Track Meet.

May 25: Grades K-8 are part of the

OSLS Invitational Track meet.

Parents-- We will need parents to help run the events at our home invitational. Please contact Miss Gansberg if you are able to help (cgansberg@oursavior-gr.org).

# **Resource Connection**

Several weeks ago Pastor Swem sent the OSL teachers a link to a book titled *Glow Kids: How Screen Addiction is Hijacking Our Kids and How to Break the Trance.* Statistics regarding this problem appear to be growing, and it isn't difficult for us to see kids and adults that are busy with screens all around us. Here is a link to the <a href="book">book</a> as well as an <a href="article">article</a> suggesting options for our students.

https://www.amazon.com/Glow-Kids-Screen-Addiction-Hijacking/dp/1250146550/ref=tmm pap swatch 0? encodiTF 8&qid=&sr=

https://www.calgaryschild.com/family-fun/1786-50-things-to-do-instead-of-screen-time

## PTL

## **Teacher Appreciation Week**

We have great teachers at Our Savior Lutheran School. Now is our change to let them know how blessed we are to have them. Let's celebrate our teachers! Teacher Appreciation Week is May 7-11.

#### Scrip

Monday we'll be celebrating tons of amazing bonuses with Thank-Scrip-ing Day! If you haven't tried scrip yet, now is the perfect time to do so!

Are you ordering scrip for the first time? Please go to <a href="https://www.shopwithscrip.com">www.shopwithscrip.com</a> to sign up. The next scrip order date is Monday, May 7.

#### Flower Sale

Thank you for supporting our school and our students! Flowers will be delivered on Thursday, May 10. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Jen Havemeier.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester Box Tops Contest

It's time for the last Box Tops contest of the year. Submit your box tops in a zipper bag with your name and grade on it. The contest will end on May 18 and the winning class will receive a treat. Keep clipping Box Tops!

#### **Fun Run**

Proceeds from this year's Fun Run will go toward replacing the carpeting in the school library. The Fun Run is scheduled for Thursday, May 17. Friday May 18 will be the rain date. Please contact Mrs. Stephanie Norcross with any questions.

#### **Direct your Dollars**

Help Our Savior Lutheran School earn \$1,000 through the Direct Your Dollars program! We're collecting receipts from local SpartanNash stores (D&W, Family Fare, and Forest Hills Foods). OSLS will receive \$1,000 when we collect \$150,000 in receipts. To qualify, it must be the whole, original receipt. We already have \$94,919 in receipts. You can drop off your receipts at school. Thanks for your support!

## **All School Volunteer Day**

Did you know that April was National Volunteer Month? How very fitting that on Monday, April 30, our school participated in our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual All School Volunteer Day! The PTL would like to send a very big THANK YOU to the volunteers, teachers, and students who worked hard to help five neighbors spring clean their yards. Each homeowner was very appreciative and thankful. Together we filled forty-eight yard bags of leaves, sticks, and twigs, helping to tidy our neighbors' yards.

# **West Michigan Lutheran**

## **Lutheran High Band and Choir Concert**

West Michigan Lutheran School invites you to attend their band and choir concert on Tuesday, May 8 at 7pm in the high school gym.

## The Big Event

Lutheran High is hosting a time of fun and fellowship for students in grades 5-8 on Friday, May 18 from 5-9pm. A pizza dinner is provided and concessions will be available for purchase. Students will enjoy devotions, games, and a service project. Students are invited to bring nerf guns for a nerf war. The service project is packing snack bags for Kids Food Basket. Students are asked to bring one of the following items for the snack bags: 100% juice boxes, quart-size zipper bags, individual fruit cups or pouches, small boxes of raisins, or granola bars. RSVP by emailing secretary@wmlhs.org.