

WEEKLY NEWS & NOTES

September 7th – 11th, 2026

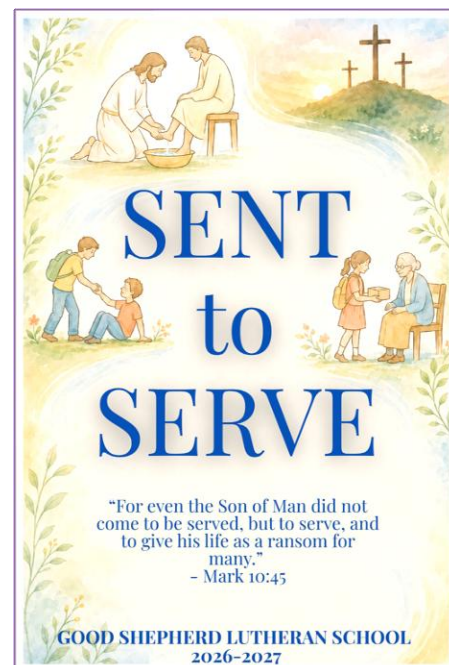


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General News and Notes

- The Grand Opening of this year's **Scholastic Book Fair** is this Wednesday, September 9th at 7:50 am! You can start shopping online now, view shopping hours, and set up an eWallet for your student/s [by clicking right here](#). Please share our online shopping link with friends and family who live out of town – they can order online and have books shipped. All sales benefit our classroom libraries. We could still use volunteers, and [you can read more about those opportunities and sign up right here](#). Let's help encourage a school of bolder, prouder, stronger readers!
- **Grandfriends' Day** is this **Friday, September 11th**! This is a fun morning when students can invite grandparents, aunts, uncles, or other special friends to spend time with them doing fun activities together before going out to lunch after our 11:30 a.m. dismissal. We look forward to meeting more of our extended Good Shepherd family!
- We will be partnering with **Runza** again this year on a fundraiser after our Grandfriends' Day chapel service & activities. Please plan on grabbing a bite to eat between **11 am and 4 pm** – even if you aren't attending Grandfriends' Day - and 10% of all sales will come back to Good Shepherd!
- Help us reach our **HundredX fundraising goal**! It doesn't cost any money, and there's nothing to sell – just surveys to complete! **Text "DFG" to 90412 to sign up**. Each individual can complete up to 75 surveys of businesses that you already use or interact with to raise money for our school! Invite your friends, relatives, and neighbors to join!



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 7

NO SCHOOL (Labor Day)

September 9-14

Scholastic Book Fair

September 11

Grandfriends' Day (1/2 Day)

September 14-17

MAP Testing (1st-8th grade)

September 16

Goodnight Stories @ 6:30 p.m.

September 18

Picture Day

September 22-24

Parent-Teacher Conferences

September 25

NELHS Day (5th-8th grade)

October 10

Fall Festival

October 12-16

NO SCHOOL (Fall Break)
(Teachers' Conference @ YMCA of the Rockies – Snow Mountain Ranch)

Worship Focus

THIS WEEKEND



Sunday 9/6/26

9:30 a.m. – Bible Study (Pastor Otto)

10:30 a.m. – Worship w/ Communion (Pastor Otto)

Theme:

"I Am My Brother's Keeper"

Readings:

- 1st Lesson – Ezekiel 33:7-11
- 2nd Lesson – Galatians 2:11-16
- Gospel - Matthew 18:15-20

Hymns:

- #839 – "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"
- #654 – "Jesus Sinners Does Receive"
- #559 – "If Your Beloved Son, O God"
- #570 – "God Loved the World So That He Gave"

MR. LAUBER & MRS. ROBERTS' CLASSROOM

- This week, we will begin after school "Study Hall" for any student in 3rd-8th grade. For the same cost as aftercare (\$6/hour), students can stay from 3:45-4:30 on Tuesday through Thursday and get help on homework from Miss Crowl and/or myself.



Taking a break at snack time for a classic "Fruit by the Foot" challenge

TESTS THIS WEEK

M – No School
Tu – None
W – None
Th – None
F – Grandfriends' Day!



MISS CROWL'S CLASSROOM

Memory Work:

Isaiah 43:11 for Wednesday and Psalm 91:11 for Friday.

Spelling:

3rd- lay, real, trail, sweet, today, dream, sleep, tea, treat, afraid, leave, bait, speed, lead, erase, invite, excuse, spoke

4th- skill, crime, grind, tonight, brick, flight, live, chill, delight, build, ditch, decide, witness, wind, district, inch, sigh, fright, remind, splice

5th- sign, groan, reply, thrown, strike, mighty, stroll, compose, dough, height, excite, apply, slight, define, odor, spider, control, silent, brighten, approached

Notes & Reminders:

- The Book Fair is coming next week! Please check the sign-up in the school hallway if you are able to help. We really appreciate it!
- Grandfriends' Day is this Friday, September 11th! School dismissal is at 12pm.
- Picture day is coming up on Friday, September 18th



Making progress in constructing the robot!



Putting together our new M-Bots

Mission Statement

Good Shepherd
Lutheran School exists for
students to be

FED by the Word,
FOLLOW Christ in his love,
and
FIND the lost with his Word.

MRS. HOPFENSPERGER'S CLASSROOM

- **Spelling Words (1st & 2nd Grade):**
 - 1st: an, bad, can, nap, cat, pan
 - 2nd: yes, job, hug, rest, frog, hum, left, melt, plum, shut, net, dot
- **High Frequency Words:**
 - 1st: a, first, good, had, he, I, my, was
 - 2nd: best, does, end, job, left, men, more, see, than, wash
- **Sound of the Week:**
 - 1st: Review consonants n, d, p, c; vowel short a
 - 2nd: Short o, u, and e
- **Focus Skills**
 - 1st: story, structure, monitor and clarify, author's purpose, make inferences
 - 2nd: central idea, author's purpose
- **Power Words**
 - 1st: accept, calm, happened, introduce, kinds, last, partner, ridiculous, search, together
 - 2nd: cautiously, compliment, discuss, elected, jammed, local, mock, panicked, prohibited, ridiculous, scribbled, smirked, tryouts, wistfully

First and second grade will have their first spelling test on Friday, September 4th. The words are always in the Weekly Note sent out on Saturday. We have a pretest on Monday and a final test on Friday. If your child gets all the words correct on Monday, they do not need to take the spelling test on Friday.

With the short week next week, we will continue with the same spelling words, vocabulary words, and sight words.

Upcoming Dates:

September 7th - No School
September 9th - Book Fair Starts
September 11th - Grandfriends' Day (1/2 day of school)
September 14th - 17th - MAP Testing
September 22nd-24th - Parent-Teacher Conferences



"Coding" a path for the mTiny robot

MEMORY WORK

Tuesday:

1st - Psalm 103:1

2nd - Psalm 103:1

Wednesday:

2nd - 3rd Commandment

Thursday:

1st - Isaiah 43:11

2nd - Isaiah 43:11



mrs. otto's classroom

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Word of God: God
Keeps Jesus safe from
Herod

Math: Read, write and
make numbers 1-5

Writing: drawing with
shapes: school and other
buildings

Reading: story elements,
listening comprehension,
the word 'see'

Structured Literacy:
letter sounds Q-Z,
rhymes and syllables

Science: trees!

Social Studies: citizens
choices and
consequences

A NOTE

Thanks for being amazing
at checking folders and
communicating! I'm loving
the joy in our classroom
learning new things and
seeing the students work
so hard! I can't wait to
see them continue to
build on their skills!

UPCOMING EVENTS

9/7 - No school (labor day)

9/11 - GrandFriends' Day
(1/2 day)

9/16 - Goodnight Stories

9/18 - Picture Day

9/22-9/24- PT conferences



Working hard in math
centers to get ready for
our final shapes
assessment!



Taking what we learned
about shapes to create
self-portraits!

MRS. WALZ'S CLASSROOM

- In Jesus Time this week, we will learn one story. Our story is "God Saves Noah and His Family." In this story, we will hear how God saved one family from a terrible flood.
- For Circle Time this week, we will talk about the theme All About Me.
- If you have not sent me your family picture, please do so as soon as possible. If you have not returned your Parent 3-2-1 or All About Me poster, please do so as soon as possible.
- There is NO Show and Tell this week.
- There is No School on Monday, September, 7th.
- This Friday is Grandfriends' Day! A note was sent home this past week about the special day. Please note that this will be a half day of school. If you have any questions, please let me know.
- If you ever have any questions, please feel free to email me, send me a message in Bloomz, send a note in your child's backpack, or talk to me in person.
- Have a great week!



Making the south parking lot a more colorful place!



Fun with Bulldog Buddies chapel groups!

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