

WEEKLY NEWS & NOTES

December 14th – 18th, 2020



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General News and Notes

- o Classroom Christmas parties - if you signed up to contribute treats/bags/napkins for your students' classroom Christmas party, please have your items to school by Wednesday, December 16th so that we can assemble bags for everyone ahead of Friday's parties.
- o A reminder that Friday is a half-day of school (dismissal at noon) with no lunch or aftercare. It is also the start of our Christmas break, which runs until January 1st.
- o Our final Wednesday Advent services will be this Wednesday at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. They are short (30 minutes) devotional services, and a perfect opportunity to take some quiet time out to reflect on what really matters in this busy, chaotic time! I hope to see you there!
- o On behalf of the faculty and staff at Good Shepherd, thank you for all you do to make us all feel appreciated, supported, and loved! We hope you all have a very merry Christmas, celebrating the birth of our Savior – THE Good Shepherd!

Church Attendance

1 st & 2 nd	3 rd & 4 th	5 th & 6 th	7 th & 8 th
3/15	7/11	8/15	-/-
20%	63%	53%	--%



UPCOMING EVENTS

December 18

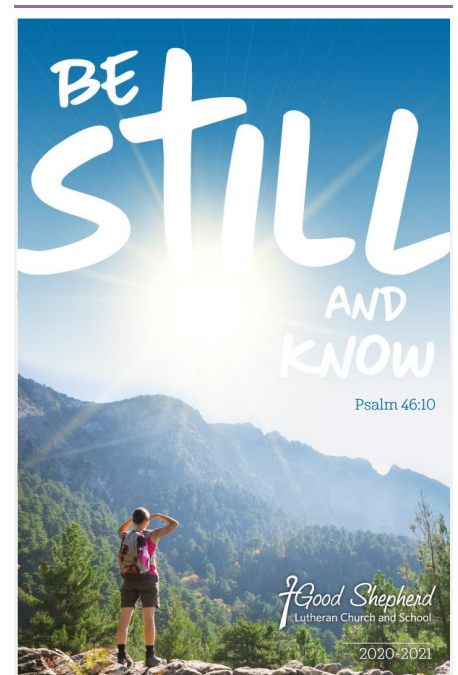
End of the 2nd quarter
(1/2 day – dismissal at noon)

December 21- January 1

Christmas Break

January 4

Beginning of the 3rd quarter



MR. LAUBER'S & MRS. ROBERT'S CLASSROOM

- We will be shopping for gifts for our Stephen Center kids this Thursday! Thank you to those who have offered to drive! We should have enough seats for all the students.
- This Friday will be our Christmas Party. Thank you to those of you who signed up to bring something! The students will be playing games and watching a movie. Students may wear (or bring) pajamas, if they wish to! Please remember dismissal is at noon on Friday. Thank you!
- Updates from Mrs. Roberts:
 - Writing: The rough draft of our "How to Become a _____" is due on Monday, Dec. 14. Junk Journal #11--Due Monday, Dec. 14
 - Spanish I: Our Spanish Unidad 1 test is next Wednesday, Dec. 16. Students are encouraged to learn vocabulary from both Paso 1 and Paso 2. We will review on Monday in preparation for the test.
 - U.S. History: The class is really enjoying learning about the Cold War years. This week and next we are covering the early 1960s under JFK and the Civil Rights era under MLK.
 - Art: Those students who took comic strip art home are asked to bring these back to school for grading and display.
 - Thank you!

MR. SCHULTZ'S CLASSROOM

- Accelerated Reader total points for the second quarter are 20. Encourage your child to read and attain their goal!
- Second quarter officially ends on Friday, December 18. Report cards will be distributed on Wednesday, January 6.
- Next week, Mr. Lauber will be filming each classroom for the Christmas service. It is tentatively looking that this will occur either on Tuesday or Thursday of this next week. I ask that whatever day is planned for the videotaping that your child wear nice church clothes so they look appropriate for their recitations and songs. The video will be available sometime over next weekend. Please watch for additional communication from Mr. Lauber for the specifics regarding the Christmas service taping.
- Our classroom Christmas party will take place on Friday from 9:30-11:45. We will be watching a Christmas movie and enjoying some treats that you provided. Thanks to those of you that donated the treats and goodies for the party! Don't forget that we will be dismissing at noon!

Blessings on your week,
Mr. Schultz

TESTS THIS WEEK

M – None

T – 7th & 8th Math
7th & 8th Science

W – None

Th – Stephen Center shopping

F – Dismissal at noon



SPECIAL ITEMS FOR THIS WEEK

M – Bible History quiz on Matthew 15 and John 6

Tue. – Math tests

W – Chapel @ 8:35 a.m.
(Livestreamed on YouTube)

Th. – English 6 Verb Test

F – Classroom Christmas party
Dismissal at noon

MS BAUMANN'S CLASSROOM

- Please sign up for Christmas Party goodies. Miss Lisa sent a sign-up sheet by e-mail. Thank you! She needs it by Wednesday morning.
- I am still missing a few report card envelopes. Please send them back as soon as possible.
- Please keep the Johnson family in your prayers as they wait for Eva to improve and get stronger at Children's. God's blessings on her and her family!
- Please send your child with **masks, a water bottle** and appropriate gear for the weather. The weather is getting colder and we go outside for our recesses. Remember to send snow gear and boots for snowy weather. Thank you!
- If your child is absent, please try to send in their assignments from the day before. I will have their assignments ready to be picked up by noon. If you are planning an absence, please get your assignments before going. They are allowed 1 day for each day they are absent to turn in their homework. Please write a note if your child needs to be excused early. Thanks!
- **Our A.R. (Accelerated Reading)** goal the third quarter will be **6 points**. Points need to be earned by Friday, March 12th. Thank you!
- Please remember to order hot lunch for the next week by Friday. The information is located in the hallway.
- **Please remember to look over your child's work and sign their assignment book every day.**

Upcoming Dates:

- Dec. 18 = End of 2nd Quarter/Dismissal at noon
- Dec. 18 – Jan. 3 = Christmas Break



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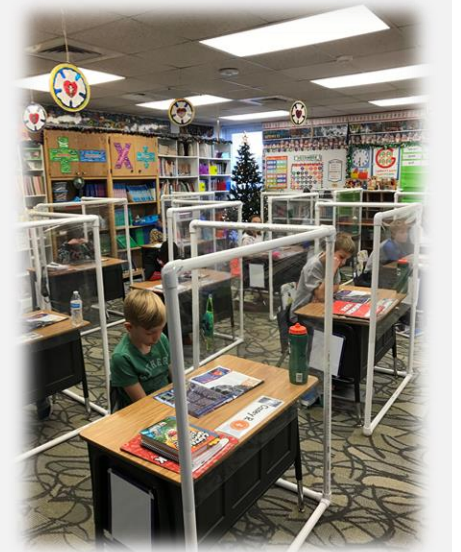
M – None

T – 3-4 Spelling (Unit 15)
Illinois/Springfield

W – None

Th – None

F – Math Test 10A



MRS. HOPFENSPERGER'S CLASSROOM

- **Spelling Words:**
 - 1st: No test
 - 2nd: No test
- **Sight Words/Vocabulary:**
 - 1st: arms, every, feet, head, school, use, way, your
 - 2nd: Review
- **Sound of the Week:**
 - 1st: or, ore
 - 2nd: Review
- **Focus Skill:**
 - 1st Grade: Plot
 - 2nd Grade: Review

Please make sure that there is only water in the water bottles. The water bottles should not have Gatorade or any colored drink in it. Having only water in water bottles will help not make a stain on the carpet.

Memory work was sent home via seesaw and note home in the folder. We will be doing our Christmas recitations for memory work.

Christmas Party is on Friday, December 18th. The sign up to bring things for the party was sent out via email from Mrs. Beals. If you signed up to bring something you will need to bring it by Wednesday, December 16th so it can be bagged for the class.

Dates to remember:

December 18th- ½ day of school and Christmas party

Christmas Break December 19th – January 3rd



MEMORY WORK

Memory work will be recitations and songs for our Christmas service. I will send home a calendar this week with recitations and songs that they will need to memorize for Christmas service.

MRS. BUCHNER'S CLASSROOM

Monday is library day!

Wednesday we will be taping and recording our part for the Christmas service, so please have your child in nice clothes. Regular school clothes may be brought to change into.

Friday is a half day of school with at 12:00 noon dismissal with no lunch or aftercare. The Christmas party will take place in the classroom. Wear some festive Christmas clothes to get in the spirit.

No school until Monday, January 4.

Bible Story

The Christmas Story

Bible Passages

Christmas recitations

Math

Counting by 10s

Patterns

Color by number

Dot to Dot

Language Arts

Phonics: Letter L sound at the beginning and end of words

Writing: Gingerbread man literacy theme unit

Sight Words: As, saw, past

Science

Finish wind and weather

Scholastic News

Winter animals



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MRS. WALZ'S CLASSROOM

- Happy December! I hope everyone had a great weekend!
- In Jesus Time, this week we will learn two stories. Our first story is "God Leads the Wise Men to Jesus." In this story we will learn about how God sent some men from afar to praise Jesus. Our second story is "God Keeps Jesus Safe." In this story we will hear how Jesus and his family needed to flee from a wicked king.
- For Circle Time, this week we will talk about Patterns.
- There is NO SHOW AND TELL this week.
- We will be taping our portion of the Christmas Service this Wednesday. A note went home last week about what the children will need for that day.
- We will be having a Christmas party on December 18th. It is a Pajama Party! Come to school in your favorite pjs and your favorite small teddy bear.
- On December 18th we will be having a half day of school. All children will need to be picked up by 12pm. There will be NO Lunch or Aftercare that day.
- There is NO SCHOOL from Monday, December 21st through Friday, January 2nd .
- 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 very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

