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MILK MONEY: There are quite a few people that still need to pay for milk for the month of October. Please send your child's money in tomorrow.

CARDINAL FOR A DAY: Students in grades 1-8 will attend the annual Cardinal for A Day event at MLS on **Friday, October 25th**. Permission slips have been sent home. Please return your child's slip and \$2.00 for pizza tomorrow.

BAND: In the near future Amanda Perkins (our band instructor) and a representative from Herter Music will be meeting with all students in grades 5-8. Information will be given about band lessons and it will also be sent home for parents to view. That information will include sign up information, costs of lessons, instrument rental or purchase information, and etc. Lessons will be given during part of the school day. Parents interested in having their children take band lessons will need to turn in the proper information quickly so that lessons can begin in early November. Please watch for additional announcements in this newsletter.

TWO WEEKS: This newsletter will cover two weeks (October 7 and 14) due the short week this week.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school is held each Sunday at 9:00 AM. We hope to see all our students attend. After dropping off their student for Sunday school, parents are encouraged to stay and attend Bible Class in the Multipurpose Room. See you next Sunday!

CHAPEL: Our mission offerings for the first quarter will be used for our Synod's outreach to the Hmong people. This past week we collected **\$23.43**. Our total for the quarter is now **\$97.11**.

STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE: Your faculty will attend the Michigan District Teachers' Conference on **October 9, 10, and 11** in Jenera, Ohio. We will not be in session these days. Enjoy the time off with your student(s).

BIRTHDAYS: There are none to report for the next two weeks.

CLASS PICTURES: Class pictures will be taken **tomorrow, Tuesday, October 8th** in the morning. The order form is being sent home today. **Please return your payment and order form to school tomorrow.**

HOT LUNCH: Our first hot lunch is **Wednesday, October 16, 2019**. Hot lunch worker schedules were sent home on **Monday, September 30, 2019**. Please look the information over carefully and plan ahead. Thanks to Aubrey Dean, Amanda Herrera, Sarah Powers, and Todd Thunberg for taking lead roles. In addition to the paper schedule sent home the worker schedule was posted on our Google Calendar. Our first hot lunch will be a **Hungry Howies** hot lunch. Tickets will be sold Wednesday morning. Our workers are scheduled to be **Crites, Dahn, and Dean**. Thanks to all our parents for the work you put in!

FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITY: Please note the attached Detroit Lions Bethel Fellowship activity on **December 29th**. Although it is some time off, if you are interested, a response is needed by **October 15th**.

FACULTY IN SERVICE: School will dismiss at noon on **Friday, October 18th**. Your faculty will have its monthly meeting in the afternoon.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY: Grandparents' Day is **Friday, October 18th**. Please return your child's reservation form to Mrs. Virant right away.

MAP TESTING: Grades 3-8 will be taking standardized testing starting on **Monday, October 14th**. The testing window is for two weeks. Please make sure your child doesn't miss school unnecessarily during this time.

MENTORS' MEETING: There is a meeting scheduled for those that have signed up to be mentors for our new and preschool families. The date is Sunday, **October 13, 2019** following the church service. We will meet in the Multipurpose Room.

SCHOOL VISION COMMITTEE MEETING: Another meeting of this group will be scheduled soon. This group is working to find ways to improve our school, better meet the needs of our parents and our community, improve our school programs, and expand what we offer. Your input is needed. Please consider attending the next meeting and offering your counsel. You should see the announcement of our next meeting shortly.

FERPA ACT INFORMATION: Information was sent home with all students in Kindergarten and 7th grade about the state of Michigan's new requirement for a signed permission to have your child's immunizations with the state's MCIR – Michigan Care Improvement Roster. Please get this information back to our school office right away. Thanks!

SOCCER: Our last game of the season was rained out and will not be rescheduled. Thanks to our players and coaches for a great season. **Cleaned uniforms are to be returned immediately. There are about six who still need to do so.**

GIRLS' BASKETBALL:

Practices: Practices are from 3:00 to 5:00 unless otherwise noted.

10/07

10/08- Tuesday

10/14

10/17

Games: (Game times are 5:30 unless otherwise noted.)

10/18 vs. St. John's Sag./Hem @ Christ Shields

10/22 vs. St. John's BC @ St. John's

10/25 vs. St. Luke's @ Bethel

10/29 vs. St. Bart's/GS @ Bethel

11/5 vs. Trinity @ Trinity

11/12 vs. Tawas @ Bethel

11/15-16 BALL Tournament @ Trinity

11/19 vs. GS Burton @ Bethel

12/6-7 MLS Small School Tournament

12/13-14 MLS Large School Tournament

CHOIR SCHEDULE:

(Cantate = Grades. 4-8; Cherub = Grades 1-3)

10/27 Cantate Choir

11/10 Pre/K

11/27 1-8 – Thanksgiving

12/15 Cantate Choir

COMING UP:

10/8 Class Pictures

10/9-11 State Teachers' Conf. No School

10/14-15 MLS Taste Of Ministry Program @ Bethel

10/18 Grandparents' Day

Teacher in Service – Dismiss @ Noon

10/21 Girls' Club

10/24 Pre/K Cookie Bake

10/25 MLS Cardinal for a Day

10/27 Bethel 50th Ann. @ Pine Celebration

10/31 Costume Day in PM

11/1 End 1st Quarter

Principals' Conference

11/3 Day Light Saving Time Ends

11/6 Report Cards Sent Home

11/11 Faculty In Service in AM, Parent Consultations in PM – No School

10/14-25 MAP Testing Window – Grades 3-8

11/18 Girls' Club

11/22 MLS Play

11/27-29 Thanksgiving Vacation – No School

12/6-7 MLS Small School Girls' BB Tourney

12/8 Congregational Caroling @ %:00 PM

12/13-14 MLS Large School Girls' BB Tourney

12/14 Christmas for Kids 9:00 to 12:00 Noon

12/19 Last Day before Christmas Vacation ½ Day
Children's Christmas Service @ 6:30 PM

12-20-1/5 Christmas Vacation – No School

CEA SPONSORED EVENTS: The CEA has decided to sponsor more events this year to create school family bonding and fun for all. Below is a tentative list of what is being planned as well as those heading up these various events. Obviously there is a lot of work for these events, so contact those listed if you are willing to help. Put these events on your calendar and plan to attend! Thanks!

11/23 Board Game Night

Herrera, Crites

12/8 Coffee Hour

Crites, MacDougall

12/14 Christmas for Kids

Figley, Crites

2/9 Coffee Hour

Powers, Killinger

2/22 Trivia Night

Thunberg, Wilson

2/26 Soup Supper

Herrera, Crites

3/22 Coffee Hour

Wilson, Crites

4/11 Easter for Kids

Figley

4/25 School Plays

Faculty

5/3 Confirmation

Willard and Co.

5/29 Awards Presentation

Faculty

5/31 Church Picnic

Willard and Co.

The CEA is also likely to be sponsoring the following events but no firm date has been chosen. Watch for future announcements and volunteer to help with those heading these events up.

Mother/Son & Father/Daughter Events: Thunberg,

Killinger, Figley

Pine Car Derby

Powers

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Preschool: Thank you to all who were able to drive for the field trip to Leaman's Green Apple Barn. We hope you all enjoyed yourselves. The 3 year olds will be studying the Bible lesson *God Answers Abraham's Prayer for a Son*. The children will learn God gave Abraham a son named Isaac. Matthew 7:7 *Ask and it will be given to you* is the Memory Treasure. Next week they will study the lesson *Jacob Sees a Beautiful Dream*. The children will learn God forgave Jacob and promised to be with him. The Memory Treasure is Isaiah 41:10 *Do not fear, for I am with you*. The 4 year olds will study the Bible lesson *God Calls Moses*. They will learn God gave Moses the help he needed to do his work. The Bible words to remember are *My help comes from the LORD*. Psalm 121:2. Preschool will begin the theme *On the Farm*. They will learn what a farm is and about the animals that can be found on a farm. The letter is E, the color black, the numbers 5 and 6, and our shape is the triangle. Book orders are due **Tuesday, October 8**. You can order online using the code J6CQC or bring in the paper form with check payable to *Scholastic Reading Club*.

Upcoming Dates:

October 18 - Grandparents Day

October 24 - Cookie Night

November 10 - PreK and K sing in church

Kindergarten: We have a very short week this week, so I am planning on finishing a bunch of units and chapters before our mini break. This newsletter will also cover the week we come back from our mini break. In Word of God the children will be learning how God used Joseph and Moses to carry out his plans. The children will continue working on their Letter book A. They will be learning how to identify the middle sound in a word. We have learned the 3 primary colors so far and will be reviewing them this week. We have also been looking at books and learning what an author and illustrator do. We have begun our next chapter in math on numbers 6-10. In science we will be looking at volcanoes and different land formations. For the week of October 14, our color will be orange, our sight word will be "and" and Show-n-Tell will be things that begin with the letter a (like in ant) or are the color orange. Don't forget Grandparents' Day is October 18. Enjoy your mini vacation!

Memory Work

Tuesday, October 8 – 11A Ephesians 4:32

Monday, October 14 – None

Tuesday, October 15 – 12A Revelation 2:10

Wednesday, October 16 – None

Thursday, October 17 – None

Friday, October 18 – 13A Proverbs 2:6

Grades 1-2: Thank you to everyone who drove and chaperoned for our trip to Leamans' Green Apple Barn. First and second grade will both take spelling tests on Tuesday. First grade will also take a math test on chapter two. It covers adding numbers with sums up to

12. Looking ahead, as of the week following the teacher's convention, spelling tests will be on Fridays. We will take our science test on weather on Thursday, October 17. We will also be busy that week working on getting ready for Grandparents' Day which is Friday, October 18. Cardinal for a Day field trip forms are coming home this week. Please return as soon as possible with the \$2. Scholastic Book orders for October are also being sent home this week. Please order online using code Q4X4B. There will be no memory work, math or Backpack pages this week. Look for it again next week.

Grades 3-5: Last week was a busy week! Thank you to Danelle Leppek and Chris Zube for coming along to Camp Timbers as chaperones. I think the kids had a lot of fun! I would like to extend a big thank you to Mrs. Oblender for subbing the days I was gone to camp. We have two school days this week and because of that we will have not spelling or memory work. Hymn #242 *Oh That I had a Thousand Voices* will still be due on Wednesday. Please make sure to send back to school Cardinal for a Day information. All fourth and fifth grade students now have been assigned a state for their social studies project. Over the next few weeks, we will be researching different aspects of those states. Please help your child stay on top of their daily and weekly work. Blessings on your week!

Grades 6-8: I know my kids are looking forward to a three day vacation this week because of the Michigan District Teachers' Conference. I hope there is good weather for everyone to enjoy. There will be a science test on Tuesday so that is out of the way before vacation. I will try to keep homework for the vacation period as limited as possible. I hope all parents are tracking things on QuickSchools. I always post assignments immediately as well as grades and comments. Please check in daily to see how things are going and contact me with any questions you may have. There are only about 4 weeks left to the end of the first quarter after which formal consultations will be scheduled. Parents, make sure your child is reading his/her first quarter book. A report on that book is due on October 25th. The upcoming vacation would be a good time to get a book read. There are several kids in my room that still need to bring in a soccer uniform and others who need to turn in their permission slip for our visit to MLS. Please take care of these items tomorrow.