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*"Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it holy."
Exodus 20:8*

In Bible, the **Kindergarteners** are learning about some of the miracles Jesus did while He was on earth. The Sabbath Day was made for us to rest. I am thankful **Mrs. Tenhave** gave me a day to rest when she taught for me on Tuesday.

Have you noticed that we have more "Lion" days, which feel like winter this month? We are hoping that we will soon have more "Lamb" days and that it will soon feel like spring!

In Math we can add on to numbers like 10, 20 and 30. In Science we learned plants need water, sunshine and soil to grow.

Can you guess who the "Very Important **Kindergarten Student**" was this week? She likes apples, the color pink, swimming, tennis and Hannah Montana. Her favorite book is the Bible and she wants to be a Veterinarian when she grows up. She is **Breanna Valade!**

Mrs. Tibbitts
Kindergarten

"And my God will meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:19

This week in Bible class, **First Graders** learned that since King David was a man of war, God chose David's son, King Solomon, a man of peace, to build God's holy temple in Jerusalem, which held the Ark of the Covenant. God promised to bless Solomon and the Israelites if they would keep His commandments.

In Science class, we had a fun experiment adding heat to water to make a liquid change into a gas or "vaporize". By taking away heat, or adding ice, we saw a gas change back into a liquid or "condense".

Though this week may have started off with ice and snow, **First Graders** ended it with ice-cream. What a way to go! Thanks to **Mrs. Connolly** for coordinating items for our ice-cream sundae party for filling the "Good Behavior" jar with marbles. Thanks to all who contributed something.

Thanks also to **Mrs. Connolly and Paul** who were caught "Doing The Right Thing" cleaning snow off all the teacher's cars earlier this week. We wish you a very "Happy Birthday" this Saturday, **Mrs. Connolly!**

Congratulations to **Olivia Bourque**, this week's "Ravenous Reader" who finished a stamped card for book reports given and **Sarah Litman** who finished her second stamped card for book reports given.

We are all praying for Noah Taylor's quick recovery!

Mrs. Warren
First Grade

*"You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly."
Romans 5:6*

We continue to look at forgiveness in the **Second Grade** by studying two stories from the Gospels. We see how Jesus knew the paralytic's real need for forgiveness. He healed him as well.

In Arithmetic, we will learn how to subtract and borrow with zeros in the top number. We will also begin learning the 1 and 2 division families.

In Health, we will see how exercise affects our hearts. We will listen to our hearts at rest and after exercise.

The **Second Graders** are looking forward to Spring Fever week. Don't forget your cool pajamas and goofy hats!

Miss Ohlin
Second Grade

*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving."
Colossians 3:23-24*

In Bible this week, the **Third Graders** studied about being servants for God. They learned about a few great servants of the New Testament – Paul, John, Mark, Barnabas, and Silas. We are also continuing to read together and discuss the book Escape, an adventure story about a missionary family in Africa.

The **Third Graders** finished their Science Curriculum, learning about weather and what causes it. They have learned some weather terms like evaporation, precipitation, and water cycle. They also learned how snow, sleet, and hail are formed. They even experimented with the vortex of a "tornado", the rising of warm air, and "making it rain" in the school kitchen! Science can be such fun!

In Math, the **Third Graders** are studying fractions and what it means to find a fractional part of a whole number. The **Third Graders** continue to regularly work on math facts by playing various games.

Mrs. Green
Third Grade

*"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast"
Ephesians 2:8-9*

In Bible class this week, the **Fourth Graders**, looked at the reason Christ is the only way to salvation. We examined Jesus' claim in John 14:6"...I am the Way, the Truth and the

Life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” We also saw that “...there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12.

In Heritage class, the **Fourth Graders** are learning about the Industrial Revolution and the modern missionary movement. We are seeing how the 19th Century evangelists like Dwight Moody and Billy Sunday helped to mold and shape American life.

We will be finishing our **Fourth Grade** Health unit over the next couple of weeks. The **Fourth Graders** are looking forward to a “Healthy Lunch” celebration at the end of this unit. I will be sending the information out for this next week.

Many thanks to the parents who drove on our Ski Trip to Crotched Mountain: **Mrs. Ferwerda, Mrs. Savell, Mr. Tibbitts** and **Mrs. Volante**. The **Fourth Graders** enjoyed the day so much! We are very sorry that **Noah Taylor** broke his leg. We are praying for a speedy recovery and complete healing.

Mrs. Carlson
Fourth Grade

“From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind; from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth – he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do.”
Psalm 33:13-15

In Bible class, the **Fifth/Sixth Graders** are learning about the strong Samson and how he was a judge and a Nazirite. Unfortunately, the fleshly things (the way of the world) led him to do ungodly things. Do we let the Holy Spirit lead us or do we follow our fleshly desires?

The **Sixth Graders** are beginning a geometry unit in Math class. They will soon learn how to find perimeters of many different shaped figures. The **Fifth Graders** will be learning about how to convert temperatures from metric to English standard.

In Science, the **Fifth Graders** are wrapping up their weather unit. We are hoping to test our skills at forecasting soon. We can use simple instruments like observation, thermometer, barometers and compasses. Unfortunately, we don’t have radar images, but sometimes even those aren’t accurate! In the **Sixth Grade** Science class, we are still working on finishing up chapter 6, the last chapter in the book! We will be having the big test next week!

In the **Fifth Grade** History class, we are continuing our look at the history of Christianity. The students are also working on memorizing the states and capitals. In the **Sixth Grade** History class, we are continuing the chapter on the Twentieth Century.

Everyone, with the exception of **Noah Taylor**, had a great time on the Ski trip on Tuesday. A special thanks to the chaperones and please keep **Noah Taylor** in your prayers. “Star student of the week”: * **Emily Shaw** *

Mrs. Busch/Mrs. Whitney
Fifth/Sixth Grade

Fifth/Sixth Grade Store

Every Tuesday beginning March 17th, the **Fifth/Sixth Grade** class will be having their store at lunch time. They will have hot dogs, corn dogs, cookies, cupcakes, candy and small toys for sale. **Orders and money for hot dogs/corn dogs is due on Mondays.**

On The Grapevine

CHAPEL: You are invited to join us from 8:45-9:30 a.m. each Friday morning for Chapel. **Mrs. Busch** will lead Chapel with our music director, **Mrs. Zibby Robinson** leading the singing and **Mrs. Colette Hatch** as our piano player. Parents and friends are always welcome to attend!

3/20 Cindy Morin

3/27 Anoli Bragdon

Calendar of Events

3/16-3/20 Spring Fever Week

3/24 Last After School Club for 3rd Quarter

3/25 Magazine Drive Begins

3/27 End of 3rd Quarter

3/30 1st Magazine Collection Day

3/31 **No After School Club**

4/1 Jeans-n-Sneaker Day

4/2 ½ **Day of School**– Optional Parent/Teacher Conf.

4/2 2nd Magazine Collection Day

4/6 Final Magazine Collection Day

4/7 4th Quarter After School Clubs Begin

4/10 **No School – Good Friday**

4/13-17 S.A.T. Testing Week

4/23 Spring Program – 7:00 p.m.

Spring Fever Week **March 16th – 20th**

Monday, March 16

Pajama Day – Modest attire, slippers, robes, teddy bears etc. are all welcome.

Tuesday, March 17

Green Day – (**School Dress**) Wear green for St. Patrick’s Day.

Wednesday, March 18

Hat Day – (**School Dress**) Wear your favorite, funniest, prettiest or whatever hat.

Thursday, March 19

Beach Day – (**Sneakers required**) Nice summer clothes, modest length. No biker shorts or short shorts allowed. Sunglasses, hat and beach towels are all welcome.

Friday, March 20

Patriotic or Twin Day – (**Chapel Dress**) Wear Red, White and Blue **OR** Dress as twins with a friend.

Our Annual Auction is Coming!

Hold the date! G.C.S. will be having their 5th Annual Auction on May 15th. Be thinking of what you can donate or possibly a business you have contact with. If you are interested in helping out with the planning, organizing or setting up, please call the school office.

Magazine Drive

Our Annual Magazine Drive is coming up in March. Be sure to be saving your renewals and be thinking of family and friends who may have some as well. More info. will be coming home soon.

STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

The S.A.T.’s will be given the week of April 13th-17th to all students, K-6. Please make plans now for **NO DISMISSALS** for appointments during that week! It is very important that your child attends school **every day** of testing. Students need to bring **two #2 pencils with good erasers** for testing that week.