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"We give thanks to you, O God."

Psalm 75:1

We have spent time this winter learning about Jesus in **Kindergarten**. We are thankful for all of God's blessings. I hope you will continue to pray that God will speak to the families that will be part of G.C.S. next year.

We are looking forward to finishing our unit on seeds next week by planting flowers. I can't believe we are almost done with the month of March. This year has gone by so quickly!

Our "Very Important **Kindergarten** Student of the week likes basketball, flamingo pink, and Sophie her cat. She likes to eat salmon, watch cyber chase and wants to be a graphic designer. Her name is **Naomi Menczywor**.

Mrs. Tibbitts
Kindergarten

"Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve.

But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Joshua 24:15b

This week in Bible class, **First Graders** learned how Jesus rewarded Peter, James and John for believing He was God's Son by shining in glory before them on a mountain top along with Elijah and Moses who appeared shining with glory from heaven. The three glorified figures were talking about God's wonderful plan of Jesus' death for our sins and how He would rise from the dead.

Spring is in the air, we can see it, hear it, smell it and feel it! Hanging in our classroom, you can see **First Graders** beautiful see-through kites.

In Heritage class, we enjoyed re-enacting the story of Pierre Radisson, a young French settler who was kidnapped by the Mohawk Indians, adopted by them, and lived with them for two years until his escape to his real family. We also had fun trading different objects with each other, like the settlers and Indians used to do, and we even got to keep them.

Thanks to our wonderful Teaching Assistant, **Mrs. Tenhave** for all your loving care, artistic handiwork and daily assistance. We are blessed to have you here at Grace!

Mrs. Warren
First Grade

"For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins."

Matthew 6:14-15

We conclude our look at forgiveness in the **Second Grade** with two great Biblical stories about forgiveness. We will see how the loving father forgives his prodigal son and welcomes him home. Then we will see how Philemon forgives his wayward slave Onesimus.

In Arithmetic, we progress on to the 3 division family and we practice counting out money with the fewest coins and dollars. In Health, it's all about teeth. We will learn what a tooth looks like on the inside then we will learn how to floss properly and how to protect our teeth from cavities.

We are very excited about all the prizes we can get from selling magazines. Be sure to help your student out to support our school.

Miss Ohlin
Second Grade

"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do what I command."

John 15:13-14

In **Third Grade** Bible, our topic this week was friends. The **Third Graders** learned about Philip, who met Jesus and told his friend Nathanael about the Messiah who had come from Nazareth. They learned that telling our friends about Jesus is being the best of friends!

In Math, the **Third Graders** have been studying some of the shapes with odd names like parallelogram, rhombus, and trapezoid. They are also immersing themselves in fractions.

In English, the **Third Graders** are studying about poetry and learning the use of rhyme, alliteration, and onomatopoeia. They each wrote their own poem using these three word formations.

In Health, the **Third Graders** have been studying about the muscles and how protein foods help muscles grow larger and how exercise helps muscles grow stronger. They are having fun doing some exercises in class each day – toe touches, sit ups, push ups, and jumping jacks – and trying to increase the number they do each day.

Mrs. Green
Third Grade

“But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. 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. For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:4-10

In Bible class this week, the **Fourth Graders** learned about angels. We saw that there are many misconceptions about angels. First of all, people do not become angels when they go to heaven. Angels and people were separately created by God. The Bible gives us hints about what angels look like, but it does not say that they look like chubby babies with wings. We do know that angels worship and praise God in heaven, but the Bible does not say that they sit around on clouds playing harps. We also looked at many instances in the Bible where God used angels to be His messengers – especially for the birth of His Son, Jesus. Next week we are reviewing the verses we’ve learned from Ephesians 2. It is an oral verse review.

In **Fourth Grade** History, we are studying the world wars. We thank God for the brave men and women who served our country during these wars. They made our nation and our world a safer place.

The **Fourth Grade** has completed their Health unit and is looking forward to our “Build Your Own Taco Salad” Healthy Lunch next week! We are returning to our Science texts for the rest of the year. Our next Science unit is Geology & Planet earth.

Mrs. Carlson
Fourth Grade

“But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.” 1 Timothy 6:6-8

In Bible class, the **Fifth/Sixth Graders** have learned about the terms loyalty and providence. God is our providence and continues to care for our needs. In the book of Ruth, it shows how God established rules in Judah so that His people would be cared for even in terrible circumstances. It also pictures the devoted attitude Ruth had towards her mother-in-law Naomi. We should have that kind of loyalty towards our parents, friends and teachers.

In Math, the **Fifth Graders** have been learning about converting temperatures from Celsius to Fahrenheit and vice versa. They will soon learn how to divide fractions.

In both **Fifth and Sixth Grade** Language classes, we have been studying many different types of pronouns. It was difficult for some to believe the phrase “It is she” is the correct grammar. Also, we are learning when to use who and whom.

In the **Fifth Grade** History class, we are studying the era of the Puritans and the Separatist in England. In the **Sixth Grade** History class we are learning about WWII. In the **Sixth Grade** class, we began Health this week. We are currently studying safety issues.

“Star student of the week”: * **Eric Moy** *

Mrs. Busch/Mrs. Whitney
Fifth/Sixth Grade

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!

- 4/3 Pastor Darin Shaw
- 4/17 No Chapel –S.A.T. Testing
- 4/24 Rev. Alden Taylor

Calendar of Events

- 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 Program

The children are very excited about this year’s Spring Program. We are doing “*Cross Country*” and rehearsals are well underway. The performance is on Thursday, April 23rd at 7:00 p.m. A nursery and refreshments will be provided.



Fifth/Sixth Grade Store

Every Tuesday, 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.**



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.



Our Annual Auction is Coming!

Hold the date! G.C.S. will be having their 5th Annual Auction on May 15th. Some great items and Gift Certificates are already coming in!! Tickets to the Monarchs, Fishers Cats, Whales Tale Waterpark and Mel’s Funway Park are just a few of the items that have come in so far. 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.