

# GRACE GRAPEVINE

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*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."  
Romans 3:23*

We are learning lots of new things in **Kindergarten**. We have learned "The Turtle", a fun poem! We are so happy that **Mrs. Green** invited us to **Third Grade** to see her turtle.

We now know our short vowel sounds and the numbers 1, 2 and 3! Have a great weekend!

Mrs. Tibbitts  
Kindergarten

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*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."  
Romans 3:23*

In Bible class this week, **First Graders** learned that we are all sinners and deserve the penalty of death. However, Jesus already paid for our sins on the cross and offers us the free gift of life if we confess our sins and receive Him in our hearts. And that's exactly, what one **First Grade** girl did on the way to school today! The angels are rejoicing in heaven!!

In Heritage class, the **First Graders** became engineers and helped construct a pretend water system out of cardboard pipes to show how the first irrigation systems in North America were formed. We used a marble for the water.

"All creatures great and small," the **First Graders** have been bringing in them all. **Sarah Litman** shared her guinea pig Guin-Guin, that even purred like a kitten when it was content. **Noloni Mendola** brought in her friendly white westie named Snowflake and big brother Tom. **Breanna Valade** showed how her hermit crab named Princess came out of her shell, especially when **Noloni** sang to it.

Just in time to say good-bye to summer this weekend, **First Graders** were excited to see **Paul Connolly's** chrysalis that he brought in emerge into a Monarch butterfly. **Paul and Noloni** were inspired to compose instant songs of praise to the Lord as we celebrated its release into the heavens. Good-bye summer!

See you next fall on Monday!

Mrs. Warren  
First Grade

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*"Abram believed the Lord, and He credited it to him as righteousness."  
Genesis 15:6*

This week in Bible, the **Second Graders** will continue to look at the life of Abraham. We will see his example of obedience as he obeyed God in a very difficult situation. Sometimes, it is hard for us to obey, so this will be a good lesson for us to learn.

In Arithmetic, we will learn how to make vertical line graphs with information we collect.

In Science, we will look at the life of bees as we continue our study of insects. We will compare insects to spiders and learn about the different kinds of webs spiders make.

Miss Ohlin  
Second Grade

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*"There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are detestable to Him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood..."  
Proverbs 6:16-17*

In Bible the **Third Graders** have been learning the hymn *I am His and He is Mine*. They studied about God's judgment on Sodom and His mercy shown to Lot and his family.

The **Third Graders** did a good job on their first Math test. Way to go **Third Graders**! We have been using M&M's to practice grouping and multiplication – if we can just keep from eating the answers!

In Science, the **Third Graders** have studied about plants and learned that some plants, like ferns and mushrooms, grow from spores instead of seeds. We are growing things from seed in our classroom, and even growing mold on some bread! The **Third Graders** made animal pictures with leaves. They are on display in the hallway.

Mrs. Green  
Third Grade

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*"See how I love your precepts; preserve my life, O LORD, according to your love. All your words are true; all you righteous laws are eternal."*

*Psalm 119:159-160*

In Bible class, the **Fourth Graders** learned how God inspired the men who wrote down the Scriptures so that the Bible is truly "God-breathed". The **Fourth Graders** are practicing a skit that relates the way the writers of the Gospels listened to the Holy Spirit as they wrote down the Gospels. We also learned that God values the Scriptures so much that He tells us in Revelation 22:18-19: "I am warning everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book. If you add anything to them, God will add to you the plagues told about in this book. If you take any words away from this book of prophecy, God will take away from you your share in the tree of life. He will also take away your place in the Holy City. This book tells about these things." We want to remember to always hide God's work in our hearts, so we are not influenced by the false teachings of this world.

The **Fourth Graders** have completed their first chapter in English and will begin their next chapter: writing personal narratives. In Math class, the **Fourth Grade** has reviewed double-digit multiplication and long division. The **Fourth Graders** will soon begin double-digit division. Please continue to work with your student on all the Math facts. This is especially important now because Math problems in **Fourth Grade** will become much more complex and require multiple steps to complete each problem.

In **Fourth Grade** Science, we have been busy watching our caterpillars turn into beautiful butterflies! So far, two of our caterpillars have undergone this wonderful metamorphosis, and we have two more just about ready to complete their transformation. This has been a wonderful adjunct to our Insect Unit, and an amazing reminder of God's attention to the smallest details of His Creation! Don't forget to have your **Fourth Grade** student work on his/her project every week-remember the final written report and poster are due Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. Check out the school website ([www.grace4u.com](http://www.grace4u.com)) and see Gracie our gerbil on the **Fourth Grade** page.

Mrs. Carlson  
Fourth Grade

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*"If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about – but not before God. What does the scripture say? Abraham believed God and it was credited to him as righteousness."*  
*Romans 4:2-3*

In Bible class, **Fifth and Sixth Graders** learned about how Abraham, the father of many nations, left Ur and went to where the Lord led him. He chose the eternal things instead of the material.

The **Fifth Graders** have completed their chapter on investigating nature and will now examine mammals in their next Science unit. They will be asked to select a mammal on which to create a poster. In the **Sixth Grade** Science class we are learning about trees. The kids will be working on a poster about a tree of their choice in Art class.

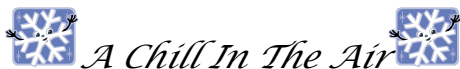
Most students are doing well in Math. **Fifth Graders** are now reviewing measurement and learning about uses for it. **Sixth Graders** will soon be factoring in preparation for the study of fractions.

The **Fifth Graders** are hard at work learning about the Old World in History class. This week we learned about the Lydians, who were the first people to use coin money. The **Fifth Graders** will be starting their Nation Notebook and the **Sixth Graders** will be starting their Canada Notebook in a couple weeks.

"Star student of the week": **Emily Shaw**

Mrs. Busch/Mrs. Whitney  
Fifth/Sixth Grade

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Brrr!! It's chilly out there. Please be sure to send a jacket or sweatshirt to school with your child. Before school and morning recess can still be quite cool and breezy.

## 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!

9/26 Pastor Mike Sacco  
10/3 Mr. Don Hatch  
10/10 Mrs. Cindy Morin & Joe Morin  
10/17 Mr. Ray Brown  
10/24 Mrs. Kelly Tibbitts  
10/31 Mrs. Kathy DeFilippo

## Calendar of Events

10/1 Jeans-N-Sneaker Day  
10/1 Candy Bar Fundraiser begins  
10/3 Progress Reports home  
10/3 Back to School Family Fun Night  
10/8 School Pictures  
10/13 **No School** – Columbus Day  
10/28 Candy Bar Fundraiser ends  
10/29 **No Afternoon Bus Service**  
10/31 Harvest Parties



## Back to School Family Fun Night

Join us Friday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00pm for a spaghetti dinner\* and games. It's sure to be a great time of fellowship along with Grace Baptist Church families. Please send your response back by Wed. Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. \*\$5.00 per person donation suggested. This fundraiser is in place of our previous Family Night's at local restaurants.

## Substitute Piano Player Needed

We are looking for someone willing to play the piano as a substitute for Chapel on Friday mornings. If you can help out with this on occasion, please call the school office.



## Ladies Bible Study

Grace Baptist Church will be starting up their Ladies Bible Study in the next couple of weeks, not on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>. The Topic is still to be determined and will be out soon. It will run every Thursday from 9:00am-11:30am. There is a refreshment, prayer and study time. Call the school office if you are interested in joining us! All are welcome!

# Welcome Fall!!