



NEWSLETTER

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Note From the Principal: Blessings to all! I do hope you had a wonderful Christmas break. Starting in January we will be offering full day preschool for the 3-year-old class. We have also had Mrs. Davis join the staff. She will be aiding in 3rd and 4th grade. Mrs. Ayers will be taking the Pre-K afternoon class two days a week. I am looking forward to the coming year and the great things God has in store for all of us. May God's continuing goodness flood your lives!

Reminder:

Some of you have received notice about immunization updates for your child or needed updates on information for the office. If that is you, be sure to get those updates done quickly. Our immunization records are due to the Health Dept. on **Jan. 11th**.

Upcoming Events:

The Spelling Bee for 1st – 8th Grades is coming up on Friday, Jan. 13th. This event will be taking place at the school. Final spell off and awards will begin at 1:30 for 1st & 2nd, 1:45 for 3rd & 4th, 2:00 for 5th & 6th, 2:15 for 7th & 8th.

Thursday, January 26th Report cards will be sent home.

Congratulations:

The Students of the Month for November were:

Preschool – *Amila Goodwin*

Pre – K – *Connor Grubbs*

Kindergarten – *Ara Garrett*

1st and 2nd Grades – *Zaidyn Pierce*

3rd and 4th Grades – *Kimber Lackey*

5th and 6th Grades – *Osias Ellis*

7th and 8th Grades – *Trinatee Pierce*

The students receiving a Christian Character award for November were:

Preschool – *Liam Wold*

Pre -K – *Shepherd Risser*

Kindergarten – *Uriah Ellis*

1st and 2nd Grades – *Addalynn Grubbs*

3rd and 4th Grades – *Kaden Barton-Smith*

5th and 6th Grades – *Evie Bender*

7th and 8th Grades – *Ila Bender*

Preschool - Miss Bleeker

I hope you had a blessed Christmas and fun filled break. I can't believe we are almost halfway through

our school year and beginning 2023! Our new memory verse for this month will be "Be kind to one another." Ephesians 4:32.

We will be starting our "Let's Hop Into Reading" program this month. It will continue through February 1st.

Pre-K – Mrs. Dahl

Welcome back, I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break! As we settle back into our class routine, we will be reviewing the vowels and consonants we have learned so far and then move on to new ones. I am pleased with the children's progress! Our next few letters are Dd, Gg and Rr. I appreciate your cooperation and dedication in helping your child with their memory verses and taking the time to listen to your child sound out blends and words at home. Reviewing the blend ladders with your child will greatly help them on the journey to reading. Soon we will begin learning sight words. Put simply, these are words taught to young readers to know by heart. They are words used frequently, like the word "the" and many of them cannot be sounded out phonetically. We are counting up to number 30 now and your child should recognize numbers 0-10.

Again, I ask that your child comes to school with a WARM coat as we will be going outside for some of our recesses, weather permitting. A few of the kids have been cold at recess because they did not have a warm enough coat.

Our new memory verse is Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me!"

Kindergarten – Mrs. Pyle

I hope you had an amazing Christmas and wonderful two weeks with your family. This month there will be many changes. We will be doing more reading and homework will be sent home in the green folder. The children will be learning about long vowels and reading bigger words. I will be sending the reading books home twice a week (Tuesday and Thursday) for homework. Be sure to return it to school the following day. Even though we do not have reading homework on Wednesday, I will usually have reading groups on

Wednesday and we'll need the books. We are continuing to work on our numbers, to count and recognize numbers to 100, telling time, learning to add and subtract. Blessings to all! I look forward to this fresh new year!

1st and 2nd Grades – Mrs. Crownover

Happy New Year! I hope that all of you had a wonderful Christmas holiday. We began our "Around the World" travels in December and will continue into February. This History unit has always been a class favorite (as well as mine). I am excited to be doing it again this year. We will be making art projects to go along with this unit that I will be displaying in the hallways beginning mid-January.

As a reminder, I post our reading homework, spelling words and links to learning games on our class webpage. The address is

<https://www.commoncurriculum.com/sites/mrsc> 1st-2nd.

May your year be blessed from start to finish!

3rd and 4th Grades – Mrs. Ellis

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas.

We will begin the new year with book reports. Fourth grade's will be due January 17th. Third grade will be starting their first book report. Please have them read 15 min. each night in their books. All students will need to be working on Math facts at home each night. Look for them in their assignment pad starting in January. Spelling review each night would be helpful also.

History we are moving on to the Oregon Trail. Bible we will be studying the Burning Bush, Moses, and the Israelites. At Bible time the students have written thank you letters to Grandparents, filled 18 shoe boxes for the Christmas child program, and written Christmas cards to Mrs. Swanson. They have also learned all 66 books of the Bible. Please give them a big hug and let them know they have touched so many people's lives in just a few months. Next, we are working on how to help someone in need without being asked (with parent's permission). Examples: walk a dog, stack wood, carry groceries, mow a lawn, bake cookies, sweep porch, rake leaves, etc. These students are such a wonderful group!

5th and 6th Grades – Mrs. Violette

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. I hope all of you are well rested and ready to get back to learning. I am excited to be given the opportunity to teach the 5th and 6th grade class. We have some fun things planned for this month.

In grammar we will be studying and practicing the skill of note taking. We will incorporate this with history and science. Our verse this month is Galatians 5:16-17. For art we will be exploring 3D art and contrast. Our outreach for January is the JOCO Sheriff's department. Just a reminder that students need to have their mystery/science fiction books picked out by January 5th for their book reports.

A note from Mrs. Wright: Mrs. Erkeneff and I wanted to thank all of you for your support while we subbed the past couple of months. We pray for a smooth transition for the students and that your families will have a blessed New Year! During Bible the last two months, I have been impressed with the tender hearts of the students towards the Lord. Daily students are sharing what they are reading in their Bibles and what it means to them.

Reminder that we have a trip to the library planned for January 12th. Please let the office know if you will be able to provide transportation to the library. We will be leaving the school at 12:30.

7th and 8th Grades – Mr. Hunkler

Happy New Year (in Christ!) in the New Year!

I pray that it will be the best year ever for all of us! It was great to have time off, but it's great to see everyone again!

History students are beginning to study the Modern Age in England. There was remarkable progress and freedom at this time in England. This significant achievement was deeply linked to biblical Christianity which eventually led to a hunger for freedom in America in the colonies. As always, history has much to teach us in our time.

Bible students are studying the sins of the flesh and their counterpoint-the fruit of the Spirit. Many people today live by feelings and impulses, which can lead to selfishness, jealousy, greed, and many other destructive tendencies. It is indeed worthwhile to contemplate sins and their opposites and the biblical remedies for sin(s).

7th and 8th –Mrs. Kaily

I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas vacation. This month there is a book report due on January 31st. We will be going to the library on the 12th and your child can pick out a book there. In class we will be reading several short stories for literature.

Intermediate Math will do a unit on measurements, Pre-Algebra a unit on area and volume, and Algebra I will finish polynomial arithmetic. All math classes will close the 2nd quarter of school with semester Exams. Grammar will be on adverbs and prepositional phrases. In science we will study about the atmosphere.