

EGLS MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

December 2, 2016

#### **DID YOU KNOW...**

MID QUARTER FOR QUARTER 2 was Tuesday, November 22. Mid Quarter reports were sent home with your child on Wednesday, November 30. They should have been signed and returned to the homeroom teacher today, Friday 12-2.

**EIGHTH GRADE KRINGLE SALE** If you missed getting a chance to order a Racine Kringle from an eighth grade student, don't worry. There are some available for purchase. There will be limited flavors and sizes available. Contact Mrs. Weymier if you are interested in some of these delicious frozen, unbaked kringle. They are great for a quick, tasty, breakfast treat. Or even better, have one on hand to bake on the first snow day!

### MS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH have been decided for October.

The following students were nominated for the category of Christian Leadership: Sophie Handrich (5), Taylor Owen(5), Cooper Wintheiser(5), Luke Wilinski(6), Thomas Hipke(6), Hannah Daws(7), Clara Strelow(7), and Chloe Handrich(8).

# **Our Middle School SOTM for Christian Leadership is Clara Strelow(7).**

The following students were nominated for the category of Academic Achievement: Amalia Ward(5), Sophie Handrich(5), Brandon Scepanski(5), Nick Daws(6), Luke Wilinski(6), Isabela Kurazowa(6), Parker Marriott(6), Steve Akpojisheri(7), Sophia Akpojisheri(7), Hannah Daws(7), and Matt Diven(8).

Our Middle School SOTM for Academic Achievement is Matt Diven(8).

Congratulations to all of our nominees, and especially Clara and Matt! Stop by the middle school hallway to see the plaques with the SOTM nameplates.

**L.E.A.D:** We will begin collecting donations for the Hope House Monday, December 5. A letter went home explaining the service project and we will have an assembly in the Cafeteria at 2:45 pm on Monday. Please consider joining us for it. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Corn at hcorn@eql.org.

### **ATHLETICS**



**Basketball** - Please read the email message from Mr. Paukner regarding CONCESSION & SCORE TABLE volunteering! Our 7/8 girls team kicks off their season tomorrow at 10am against Mt. Calvary at St. Peter Immanuel (click the school name to see its location). Our 4/5/6 girls begin play at St. Paul's - Oconomowoc on Tuesday, December 6th, at 5pm before hosting Divine Redeemer at HOME on Tuesday, December 13th, at 5:30pm. Our 7/8 boys, teaming up with Beautiful Savior, open their season on Saturday, December 10,

at 1pm against Immanuel-Brookfield at <u>St. Peter Immanuel</u>. Our 4/5 boys host Divine Redeemer at HOME on Tuesday, December 13th, at 4:30pm. Our 6 boys will begin their season on the road next month. *To see a complete schedule of practices and events, log in to your FastDirect account, click on Planner and then scroll down to Mr. Paukner's name and click on his CALENDAR.* 

# **CLASSROOM NEWS**

#### **5th Grade Class**

**6th Grade Class:** We took the Unit 2 Religion test this morning. Monday begins Unit 3 titled "Prophets and Kings." December book orders went home on Wednesday. Use our class code L6C77 to order online anytime. Check out the 6th grade page of the EGL website to find our class schedule, Memory schedule/book, Religion study materials, Spelling words, and other important documents as the year progresses. Let me know if there is anything else you would like to see on our class page. Our Memory assignments next week are Matthew 18:15 (Monday) and the Ninth Commandment & Meaning (Thursday). Note that Monday's assignment is verse 15, not verse 5 as indicated on the schedule. Have a great weekend! *Mrs. Paukner* 

**7th Grade Class:** Midterms went Wednesday. I continue to encourage the 7th grade students to seek assistance from their various teachers during study hall, but they are still hesitant. When they were not satisfied with a grade, they respond by saying that "it was so hard." Every time I asked if they went to that teacher, they respond with a no. Please remind your student that he/she needs to advocate for themselves if they do not understand a concept; we are all here to help them! This skill will be extremely important in high school and beyond. Remember that they did not have any English grades since we used that time to work on the plays. We are back at it learning about nouns. *Ms. Corn* 

8th Grade Class: \* I sent a note home before Thanksgiving indicating where your payments/profits for the class trip were at. I hope your dear child showed this note to you:) The next payment of \$250, per person, is due on January 15. \* Christmas service parts have been sent home with your child. Please make sure your child is working on the memorization of this part. Not all students have a speaking part for the service. All of the students are involved in the service either playing in the band, the bell choir, or carrying a banner. Please have Wednesday, December 21 on your calendar. The service starts at 6:30pm so students should arrive in the fellowship hall be 6:10pm. \* Thanks to Mrs. Handrich for organizing a fun Harvest party for the class last week. I think we all have a new appreciation for people with vision issues. Thanks also to all who provided snacks as well. \* Mrs. Weymier

## COMPUTER

#### 5th Grade:

6th Grade: We will continue work on lessons 11-16 in PAWS Typing Town. Mrs. Paukner

**7th—8th Grade:** We will be presenting our Powerpoints in class for the remainder of the quarter. *Ms. Corn* 

# LANGUAGE ARTS/SPELLING

5th Grade: Spelling - Language Arts -

6th Grade: Chapter 11 NPA - "Which one? What kind? How much? How many?" If you have heard your

child chanting this, don't worry. It's the questions that adjectives answer. Adjectives are the part of speech that modify nouns or pronouns. Students should remember to do corrections on homework assignments whenever they can. **Spelling** - Unit 14 has been assigned. Test 1 for Unit 14 will be given on Monday, 12-5. Test 2 and the unit book work are due on Thursday, 12-8. Study for the tests so that you can contribute to the class points:) *Mrs. Weymier* 

**7th Grade: Language Arts -** We will continue to look at nouns this week in English class and begin a Christmas writing activity based on the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas." **Spelling** - Next week, week 12, is a review week in spelling. We will take a tests on the first half of the words on Monday and the second half on Wednesday. *Ms. Corn* 

**8th Grade: Chapter 11 NPA -** We have been working adjectives. Remember to read sentences slowly and carefully so that you do not miss adjectives in the sentences. **Spelling** - Unit 15 has been assigned. Test 1 for Unit 15 will be given on Monday, 12-5. Test 2 and the unit book work is due on Wednesday, 12-7. Study for the tests so that you can contribute to the class points:) *Mrs. Weymier* 

# LITERATURE — MRS. ELVERS

All Literature Classes
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5th Grade:

6th Grade:

7th Grade:

8th Grade:

# **MATHEMATICS — MS. CORN**

**5th Grade Math:** We are continuing to work through division and they seem to be doing a great job with the concepts.

**6th Grade Math:** Next week we will continue to work on concepts involving fractions. We will incorporate them into equations and then work on time concepts and diagrams to finish up the chapter. I plan on having a test at some point during the following week.

**7th Grade Math:** We finished Chapter 3 this week and took our test. We will begin chapter 4 next week. We will be working on concepts dealing with the fractions and operations.

**7th Grade Pre—Algebra:** We will continue with Chapter 4 this week working with concepts of exponents and multiplication and division.

**Algebra:** We continued with Chapter 4 this week. We will finish it up next week and I plan on getting a test in the following week.

# SCIENCE — MRS. WEYMIER

**5th Grade: Chapter 6 Ecosystems and Change:** Chapter vocabulary quiz on Monday, December 5, and chapter test on Thursday, December 8. Right now, we are finishing up the last of the vocabulary for

the chapter, and reviewing everything that we covered. Take your notes/books home over the weekend to study.

**6th Grade: The Plant Kingdom:** We are now focusing on this kingdom for the next two chapters. This first chapter covers plant processes and plant structures. Our first quiz will be on Tuesday, 12-6. It will cover what makes a seed, what is needed for germination, what are the three steps in germination, and what are the three features that are used to further classify plants into categories. Also, next week we will be planting seeds.

**7th Grade: Chapter 2 States of Matter:** *Make sure you have a sharpened pencil and straight edge in class each day we do graphing.* I had this in middle school news last week, unfortunately, many students are not looking at middle school news. Please help your child remember to check each week. There is a graphing quiz scheduled for Tuesday, 12-6, followed by a lab on Thursday to demonstrate one of the gas laws.

8th Grade: Chapter 15 Skeletal, Muscular and Skin Systems: As we work through this chapter, there will be more quizzes than written homework. That means, that the homework is always to study the new material to make sure you are learning it. There will be a quiz on systems and joints next week. There will also be quizzes on the bones of the body (spelling counts). Once we start with Mr. Bones, make sure you study every day. Learn a few at a time so that it is not too overwhelming. You can do it!

# **SOCIAL STUDIES — MR. CONWAY**

**5th Grade American History:** We have moved through Chapter 6, "Establishment of the 13 English Colonies," quickly and will be having our test on Monday, December 5.

**6th Grade World History:** Chapter 7, "Ancient Rome," has been wonderful so far. It is one of the longer chapters in our book. We have worked through Lesson 3, "The Roman Empire," where the students learned about how the Romans gained all of the territory within their vast empire.

**7th Grade Geography:** Chapter 8, "Southeast Asia," has been great. The students have been great with all of the note taking we have been doing in class. We will be having our test on Monday, December 5.

**8th Grade American History:** Chapter 4, "The Union in Peril," was great! The students really grasped the importance of the events before, during and after the Civil War. We had our test on Wednesday, November 30.

### PE — MRS. PAUKNER

We enjoyed badminton this week and are ready to move on to roller skating!

Please make sure that your child has a backup uniform and shoes as listed on the school supply list. The backup uniform can most likely be found among your child's clothes at home! **Shoes need to be a pair that can be left in their PE locker and not worn outside.** A backup uniform only allows your child to earn partial credit however, so make sure those uniforms come back on Monday mornings!

**REMINDER:** If your middle school child is unable to participate or requires limited participation in physical education, they MUST have one of the following:

- 1. A signed note from a parent excusing them from class.
- 2. An email sent to Mrs. Paukner (**Ipaukner@egl.org**) by 12:30 p.m. of that school day.
- 3. A parent stop-in to see Mrs. Paukner before school that morning in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade room.

### **MUSIC — MRS. KRUEGER**

**5th & 6th grade:** Fifth and sixth grades are working on a boomwhacker piece, called "Flip and Hit!" It incorporates improvisatory rhythms and movements. For one of the sections, students are composing ostinati (repeated patterns) in small groups. There's a lot packed into one piece!

**7th & 8th grade:** We missed a music class this week due to our fun movie field trip. In their next class, the 7th grade will be starting a piece, called "Lydian Dance." We will be working in small groups to figure out some choreography for this one. The 8th grade continues to create harmonic arrangements for the student compositions we want to share with you at our Informance on March 3.

5th - 8th grades will be singing at the Carol Fest on Sunday, December 11 at 1:30 p.m.!!

#### **PERFORMANCE GROUPS**

**Hosanna Ringers (5th grade):** Be sure to study for your next Mad Minute on Wed., Dec. 7. No homework assignment this week. You have a very important part in the Children-led Christmas Service on Dec. 21 so be sure to get that date on your calendar. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at kbessert@egl.org. *Mrs. Bessert* 

**Jubilate Ringers (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades):** Study for your next Mad Minute on Dec. 7. Be sure you have Carol Fest on your calendar for Sunday, Dec. 11 at 1:30 p.m. Let me know if you have transportation needs for this event. You will be done in time to watch the Packer game. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at <a href="mailto:kbessert@egl.org">kbessert@egl.org</a>. *Mrs. Bessert* 

**Band:** We have two more rehearsals before playing for the Children's Christmas Service on Wednesday, December 21. Please continue to communicate upcoming appointments/known absences with Mrs. Bessert <a href="mailto:kbessert@egl.org">kbessert@egl.org</a> so lesson conflicts can be avoided. Don't hesitate to contact me with any other questions or concerns at <a href="mailto:spaukner@egl.org">spaukner@egl.org</a>! Mr. Paukner

Orchestra: Our next performance will be at Carol Fest on Sunday, December 11 at 1:30. Fifth through eighth graders will be playing "Here We Come a Caroling" and "O' Come Little Children" with some special assistance from the 4th graders. Please remember to check your email each week for your lesson time before Wednesday. "Only practice on the days you eat!" - Dr. Suzuki. Feel free to contact me with any other questions or concerns at kbehring@egl.org. Mrs. Behring

# **ART — MRS. GRELK**

5th Grade: The gecko drawing is due on Monday, Dec. 5.

6th Grade: There is no assignment.

7th Grade: Sketch #8 is due on Wednesday, Dec. 7.

8th Grade: Sketch #8 is due on Wednesday, Dec. 7.

### **SPANISH — MRS. FICK**

**7th Grade:** Dec. 6 - Quiz on colors and worksheet due; Dec. 9 - Voc. on "me gusta"

8th Grade: Dec. 6 - Quiz on colors and worksheet due; Dec. 9 - Sentences on "me gusta"

# **HIGH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS**





FACTS/LOCATION

Located in Hartland, WI Established in 1999

Student Body: Approx. 245 students

Average Class Size: 18 Student/Teacher ratio is 14:1

More than 95% of graduates go on to higher education More than 75% of the students participate in at least one of 11 co-curricular programs or 12 seasonal sports teams Member of the Midwest Classic Conference

Lake Country Lutheran High School nurtures all facets of the student – academic, spiritual, emotional and social. With a smaller student body, there is a true sense of community at Lake Country Lutheran, where students are encouraged to express themselves and their individuality. A strong parent involvement system ensures parents are also a valued part of that community. Lake Country Lutheran strives to shape each individual student into a dedicated Christian leader.





FACTS/LOCATION

Located in Greendale, WI Established in 1968

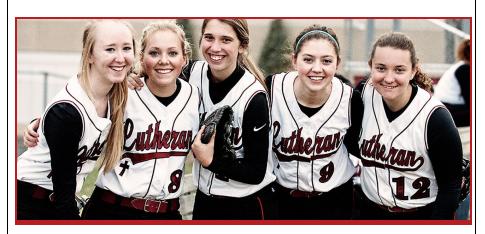
Student Body: Approx. 365 students

Average Class Size: 17 Student/Teacher ratio is 12:1

More than 95% of graduates go on to higher education More than 85% of students participate in at least one of the 30 co-curricular programs or 20 seasonal sports teams Member of the Metro Classic Athletic Conference

Martin Luther High School prepares students to bring a Christian perspective to all of life's different roles. The dynamic educational experience creates lifelong learners and community-focused Christians. Beyond academic excellence, Martin Luther also gives students the opportunity to live in Christ through other activities. Martin Luther's co-curricular program is in the top percent of Wisconsin schools, offering an array of sports, fine arts and clubs for students to explore.





### FACTS/LOCATION

Located in Milwaukee, WI Established in 1903

Student Body: Approx. 600 students

Average Class Size: 24 Student/Teacher ratio is 16:1

Over 95% of graduates go on to higher education

More than 77% of students participate in at least one of the

20 co-curricular and seasonal sports teams Member of the North Shore Conference

Milwaukee Lutheran High School is the oldest Lutheran high school in the nation, teaching what really matters since 1903: the Truth found only in God's word. An education at Milwaukee Lutheran prepares students for college but also for life, guiding them in their journey to full personhood. This exciting passage builds on a strong spiritual core and rigorous academics, as well as various sports, fine arts, clubs and service organizations. The multicultural student body is reflective of the community Milwaukee Lutheran serves and encourages students to learn and grow together in Christ.