Raiders News

Reformation Lutheran School & Preschool Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10 - 16, 2019

Principal's Message - We want to thank you!

This week, many of the teachers are traveling to San Jose for our yearly Arizona-California WELS Teachers' Conference. There we learn better ways to teach, develop better organizational skills, gain knowledge, and continue our own education which directly impacts the teaching of our students in the classroom. I see continuing education for teachers as a vital thing. Our world seems to change quite frequently and with it, children change. They change how they learn. The way that I learned in school is, in some ways, completely different than how children learn now. Children in 2019 have a completely different makeup of their background knowledge, respond to different forms of instruction, and therefore need unique forms of assessment. It is important that our teachers stay on top of these trends to build and "upgrade" the tools they have at their disposal.

We know that taking time for professional development impacts regular schedules and so it is with that in mind that we thank you, parents and guardians, for working with us. According to a study completed in October of 2007,

https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/regions/southwest/pdf/rel_2007033_sum.pdf,

the U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences found that "student achievement can improve by as much as 21 percentile points as a result of teachers' participation in well-designed professional development programs." Hopefully you find it worth the schedule interruptions to work with us so that our teachers can better themselves with the goal of helping your child(ren) grow!

Growth is biblical as well! Proverbs chapter 1 speaks about growing in wisdom and instruction. Proverbs 1:2-6 says, "for gaining wisdom and instruction; for understanding words of insight; for receiving instruction in prudent behavior, doing what is right and just and fair; for giving prudence to those who are simple, knowledge and discretion to the young - let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance - for understanding proverbs and parables, the sayings and riddles of the wise."

Here Solomon is pointing out that wisdom and instruction helps us to better understand the Holy will of God and the world that he has placed us in. Wisdom and instruction help us to understand His truths so that we know him better and through that, our faith is strengthened. This ties in so beautifully with the purpose of Reformation Lutheran School.

We thank you families, and we thank our Heavenly Father, for giving us the opportunity to seek out professional development! God's blessings to all of you on the extended weekend and God's blessings to you all as our country observes Veterans Day on Monday!

PICTURES FROM THE 3-YEAR-OLD PRESCHOOL CLASS









Sports Update

The Girls A and B volleyball teams had perfect seasons this year for the first time ever! Thanks to Tina Ash and Sarah Homan for all of the time they spent coaching those girls' teams! Well done!

Lunch Distribution Volunteers Needed

On Mondays and Thursdays, many students are enjoying Ki's School Lunches. They are delivered to us shortly before lunchtime and volunteers distribute lunches to the students. Can you help with this? The time commitment is 11:30am-12:45pm on either Monday OR Thursday. Can you help? Contact Sarah Rodrigues at rodriguess@refsd.org or (858) 279-3311, ext. 1.









Update from Mrs. Homan's Kindergarten class

Kindergarten has had a great start to the year! During our Bible time, we have been learning about the Old Testament. One of our favorite men is Joseph. Through Joseph, we have learned that God always has a plan for our lives. We have meet 11 Superkid friends, who are teaching us to read. In math we have learned about numbers and patterns. We are learning to write sentences. In Social Studies, we learned about rules and laws. During Science we explored apples and pumpkins.

The kindergartners have already started practicing their Christmas program. We will be joining the Preschool in proclaiming the birth of Christ. The kindergartners love being able to help the younger children. We would love for you to come worship with us on Sunday, December 15 at 10:30.

Tech Tip

Check out this fun way to check out a new book. In *From a Picture to 1000 Stories*, readers learn some fun facts about famous authors and their works. On the pages that have the facts about authors and their works, you will find a set of images. Each of those images leads to a page of book recommendations.. The book recommendation pages lead directly to Google Books where you will find options for downloading and or purchasing the book. Overall, it's an interesting way to discover new books.

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Parking Lot Help - Reminder!

We need your help in making the parking lot a safe place for everyone. Here are a few things that we see you can help with.

1. Do not park in the handicap spots if you do not have the proper pass! We are observing that cars are parking in these spots. Even if it's just for a few minutes, we have legitimate families who depend on being able to use these spots. We understand that parents want to use these spots as "safe"



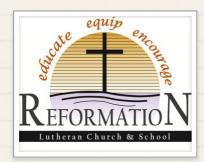
places to quickly drop off their child(ren). However, cars are then not pulling all the way into the spots, which causes confusion to people walking and cars driving through the parking lot.

- 2. Please park in a spot even if you are just quickly "dropping off" your child(ren). We have observed this causing problems as it makes a line through the rest of the lot and makes it hard to quickly clear the spots for others to park in. You might consider dropping your child off on the street, then they can take the sidewalk that goes right past the office to the front gate.
- 3. It is worth the time AND the safety of the students of all ages to park fully in a spot, have your child exit the car and walk to the front gate.

We understand that the lot gets busy and many of you are trying to get to work and home, so if everyone helps out in these small ways, the parking lot will be a safe place for all. We greatly appreciate it!



JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS AT 8:00 & 10:30!



About Us

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The eternal truths of God's Word are the foundation of our school, its curriculum, and all its activities. Our goal in Christian education is to provide each child with the maximum development of God-given spiritual, physical, and mental abilities. We offer Christian education in our Preschool (ages 2.5-5) and Grade School (K-8).

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Reformation Family Calendar

Wednesdays at 8:30am - Chapel Service - everyone is welcome! Thursdays at 8:30am - Moms Together Life Group

November 11, Campus Closed Veteran's Day November 15, CLHS Seahawk for a Day event/6-8th grades November 20, 7:00am - Pancake Breakfast November 27, 11:50am - Early Dismissal November 27, 7:00pm - Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service November 28/29 - Campus Closed for Thanksgiving Break December 4, 5:30 pm - Advent Soup Supper/7:00pm Mid-Week Worship Service December 11, 5:30 pm - Advent Soup Supper/7:00pm Mid-Week Worship Service December 14, 6:00pm - Christmas in Clairemont December 15, 10:30am - Preschool/Kindrgarten Christmas Program December 18, 7:00am - Pancake Breakfast December 18, 5:30 pm - Advent Soup Supper/7:00pm Mid-Week Worship Service December 20, 11:50 Early Dismissal December 20, 7:00pm - Grade 1-8 Christmas Service December 23-25 Campus Closed December 23 - January 3 - Christmas Break - No Grade School December 24, 7:00pm - Christmas Eve Worship Service December 25, 10:30am - Christmas Day Worship Service December 31- Campus Closed January 1 - Campus Closed January 6 - School Resumes A monthly calendar is updated on our website, and a full school year calendar is available also. Click here to review these calendars. (http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/).

