# Raiders News

Reformation Lutheran School & Preschool Weekly Newsletter



#### **WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24 - 30, 2019**

#### Principal's Message - Expressing Love, Time of Grace

Our lasting impression of love is formed by our earliest experiences at home. Home is where we discover a thing called love and how to express it. G.K. Chesterton said that the meanest fear is the fear of sentimentality. That fear can make a home or a life austere. It can create doubts about love. I hope this isn't a pain-filled question for you, but what were your first impressions of love?

Here are five things about love from the Bible:

- · Love is the evidence of God among us and dwells in flesh and blood (1 John 4:16).
- · Love is reciprocal, teachable, and repeatable (1 John 4:19; John 13:34,35).
- · Love is not a stable condition in our hearts (Matthew 24:12, 1 Peter 1:22).
- · Love is self-sacrificing (John 3:16).
- · Love never fails (1 Corinthians 13).

It's not too late to make our homes more loving if we invite Jesus to be a member of the family. His place is set at our table when we:

- · insist that loving interaction is our family's priority.
- · are transparent about our love for him and each other.
- · verbalize affection and gratitude for each other often.
- · establish routines and celebrate with traditions that include everyone.
- · grow together in faith as churchgoers.
- · leave a generous amount of wiggle room for people to grow on their own.

You will be able to see if your family learned to express love when everyone gets together and reminisces.

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## Thanksgiving Food Drive- ALL GRADES

Instead of our regular mission offering on November 27th, join us in giving thanks to God by helping others in need by bringing in non-perishable goods for our food drive. These will be placed in front of the altar and pulpit during our midweek chapel service. Our midweek chapel service will be held at 11am as we are holding one of our two Thanksgiving Eve services at that time. As usual, all parents/guardians/family members are invited to join us for worship at that time.

# Important Shepherd's Care Reminders!

A reminder to all parents and children, if your child(ren) are here before 8:15 am, you are required to sign them in to Shepherd's Care. We are responsible for all children before 8:15 am that are on campus. It is important that we know how many children we have in Shepherd's Care and who they are in the case of an emergency. Once 8:15 am hits they are released to go to their classroom.

The same goes in the afternoon at 3:15 pm. If your child(ren) are on campus they will be signed in to Shepherd's Care. If your child has permission to leave campus by themselves, they need to leave promptly by 3:15 pm or they too will be signed in.



## Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever!

Many people celebrate Thanksgiving as a time to remember the people and things for which we are grateful. But 1 Chronicles 16:34 reminds us to, "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." Worship the Lord for all that He is, all that He's created, and all that He's done in our lives. Full of grace and power, He has forgiven our sins, He has healed our wounds, He has redeemed our lives. Together, we will sing of His goodness, delight in His love, and give thanks to the Lord.

Join us for Thanksgiving Worship on Wednesday, November 27, at either 11:00am or 7:00pm. Please note that we will not be having services on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday). We encourage you to spend the day giving thanks to the Lord with family and friends or serving others in a way that leads them to give thanks to the Lord as well.

#### **SCRIP FOR THE HOLIDAYS!**



With the holidays fast approaching, many of you may be starting your holiday shopping. If gift cards are on your Christmas shopping list, SCRIP is perfect for you! SCRIP is a school fundraiser that allows you to shop for things you are probably already shopping for, and help raise money for your child's school at the same time!

Did you know that last year the money raised from SCRIP fundraising helped to purchase a new laminator!! This year, we are raising money to help pay for some new P.E. equipment for the lower grades and to also make some much needed improvements and repairs to our wooden pergolas over the picnic tables in the front courtyard!

With SCRIP fundraising, you can shop with 750+ top brands and either purchase eGift cards or physical gift cards! Purchase a Gift Card through SCRIP before your next shopping trip at your favorite store!

Please consider purchasing a Gift Card through SCRIP this holiday season, because when you do, you will be helping to raise money for needed items, supplies, resources, and maintenance of school equipment that your child(ren) use every day that help them learn and grow!

#### How to get your SCRIP gift cards:

- Forms were sent home yesterday with your student. Additional forms can be found in the church office. Please return to your child's teacher with a Check payable to Reformation Lutheran School. (We will be placing orders on Monday November 18th and Monday December 2nd)
- 2. On the computer by going to ShopWithScrip.com (Enrollment code: b923448l56332)
- 3. On your phone by going to MyScripWallet.com (Enrollment code: b923448I56332

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Everyone who registers and makes a purchase before December 2 through shopwithscrip.com or myscripwallet.com will be automatically entered into a drawing for a \$20 Starbucks gift card

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Grades 1-3 go on field trip to Christian Youth Theater production of Junie B. Jones.

#### Update from Mr. Ash's class

The 4-5 grade class is busy learning their math facts. These facts help to build the foundation for many math concepts now and in the future. In English class, they are drafting five paragraph essays about their favorite items. They are learning to construct topic sentences and details for their stories. They are also getting ready to work on our Christmas program by learning the songs and lines. They are getting excited to share the Gospel message through the Christmas program. We will have a Christmas gift exchange right before the Christmas break to remind them of the greatest gift for all people, the gift of our Savior who took our sins away and prepared heaven for us.

MATH FACTS GAMES IN GRADES 4 & 5





Layton Camile makes a "guest appearance" in CYT's Junie B. Jones.

# Merry Christmas from the 7th and 8th graders!

Perhaps you've heard us mention our various fundraisers through out the school year and wondered "why are they so persistent?" Well, because it costs \$2,000 per student for our upcoming Washington DC educational trip AND we want everyone to participate!

Christmas Store is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Each year, we open a store in which all Reformation students can do their Christmas shopping. In order to stock our shelves, we need as many donations as possible.

Are you willing to bring your unused or gently used items to us? Maybe you have a scarf you haven't worn in a few years that is still beautiful but not needed. Perhaps you received a gift last year that you just didn't need. Or, you start unpacking your Christmas decorations and realize you have a few too many ornaments that you can't find a place for. We would love to take those items off your hands!

See below for the flyer with numerous ideas as to what we need. Take a peek and see where you can help us out.

As always, we desperately need gift bags, gift boxes, wrapping paper, scotch tape, tissue paper and bows. The students not only shop, but come home with their purchase wrapped and ready for giving!

Sincerely yours,
Mr. Bohl's 7th and 8th grade class



#### Christmas in Clairemont-December 14!

Christmas in Clairemont is set for Saturday, December 14, 2019. This family-friendly event will include live nativity presentations, the telling of the Christmas story, crafts, refreshments and more. Planning is underway, your participation is welcome! Also, if your Reformation School-related group or Church-related group is interested, space is available for a craft sale, bake sale or other similar activity. Contact Sarah Rodrigues at <a href="mailto:rodriguess@refsd.org">rodriguess@refsd.org</a> to get involved.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:rodriguess@refsd.org">rodriguess@refsd.org</a> or (858) 279-3311, ext.



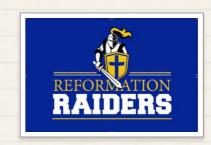


#### Tech Tip

Do you love Reformation School? We could use your help in sharing the wonderful things we have to offer here at Reformation. As parents and families at Reformation, you are our greatest asset in letting others hear about us! We could use your help in spreading the word about our amazing school. Some of those ways you can help are to give us positive reviews on sites like <u>Yelp</u>, <u>Google</u>, and <u>Facebook</u>. You can also post reviews of our school on sites like <u>Private School Review</u> and <u>Niche</u>.

#### Sports Update

The Reformation Boys A and B basketball teams will only practice this coming Tuesday to prepare for games that will begin after Thanksgiving break. The Boys A Team will play their first game after Thanksgiving break on Thursday, December 5, at 4:00 pm against City Tree A. The Boys B Team will play their first game on Thursday, December 5. at 5:00 pm against City



Tree B. Both games will be played at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Pacific Beach. Come and cheer on the Raiders basketball teams!

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



# Grades 1-8 Christmas Program Information: "The Birth of Jesus"-

Grades 1-8 will be sharing the message of Jesus' birth through song and recitation on Friday, December 20 at 7:00 pm. We have started working on the program and want to make sure everyone saves the date for our upcoming children's Christmas service. There will be a few students in costume for our program but the majority of the students will be asked to wear formal dress clothes. Boys can wear pants and a button up shirt/sweater/polo. Girls are to dress nicely in a dress or dressy pants and top. We look forward to celebrating the joyous occasion of Jesus' birth with everyone

#### Reformation Family Calendar

Wednesdays at 8:30am - Chapel Service - everyone is welcome!

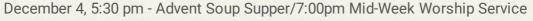
November 27, 11:50am - Early Dismissal

November 24-26 - Parent / Teacher Conferences

November 27, 11:00am & 7:00pm - Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Service

November 28/29 - Campus Closed for Thanksgiving Break



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/Kindergarten 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

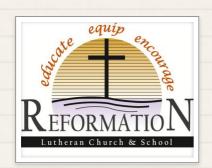
December 31- Campus Closed

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. (<a href="http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/">http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/</a>)





#### 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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