

# Raiders News

Reformation Lutheran School & Preschool Weekly  
Newsletter



REFORMATION  
— LUTHERAN SCHOOL —



WEEK OF DECEMBER 8-14, 2019

## Principal's Message – Welcome Him

2019/12/05 - in Daily Devotions

*[Jesus said] "About that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left." Matthew 24:36-41*

Welcome Him

Near the end of the first Iraq War, Air Force pilot Robby Robbins received permission to fly home. He flew across the Atlantic, landed on United States soil, and drove all night to his Pennsylvania home. His arrival was supposed to be a surprise. But when he pulled into his driveway just after sunrise, Robbins saw a large banner hanging across the garage. The sign read, "Welcome Home, Dad!"

Robbins walked into the house. His children, half-ready for school, greeted him with squeals. His wife came running down the hall—hair done, make-up on, wearing a fresh yellow dress.

“How did you know?” Robbins asked.

“I didn’t. We kept listening to the news. When we saw that the war was almost over, we knew you’d be home soon. We knew you would want to surprise us, so we were ready every day.”

When Jesus returns, he won’t be crossing the sea or driving across the country. Swiftly and suddenly, he will sweep aside the heavens and snatch up his family to reunite with them in the air. And so, we will be with the Lord forever.

Jesus is coming! We don’t know when that will be, but we want to be prepared every day. Like Noah, we trust the good news of God’s rescue plan. As we rely on the perfection of Jesus, repent of our sins, and rejoice in his forgiveness, we will be ready to welcome him.

## **Special Christmas Meal – Sign-ups due TODAY!**

The Holladay Family (students Ezra, Svea-Lynn, Carlyse and Steven) invite you to a Special Christmas Meal here at Reformation!

Wednesday, December 11

11:45am-12:45pm

Menu: Tamales, Pozole, Quesadillas, Refried Beans, Rice, Chips and all the fixings. Flan, Churros and Assorted Cookies

\$6.50 per person (billed through FACTS)

Students, parents and family members are welcome, please arrive during your student’s classroom lunch time.

Students all received a flyer and brought it home earlier this week. **To sign-up, please send an email to [rodrigues@refsd.org](mailto:rodrigues@refsd.org) ASAP with the number attending from your family.** (We apologize, but no cancellations or late sign-ups will be accommodated.)

## **MAKING THE MOST OF RAINY DAY RECESS!**



## Christmas Program Reminders–Friday, December 20th at 7:00pm

- **Families of 1st-8th grade** students, we are **asking you to donate a dozen cookies** for fellowship after our Christmas program. Please drop them off at the office by Wednesday, December 18.
- The students are to wear dress clothes for the program. Boys can wear pants and a button up shirt/sweater/polo. Girls are to dress nicely in a dress or dressy pants and top.
- **Grades 1-8** please come by **6:45 pm** to your classroom. The teachers must begin lining students up at 6:55 pm so we need to have all students arriving in a timely manner
- We look forward to sharing the message of Jesus' birth with all of you. Please invite your family and friends to come and attend the Christmas program!

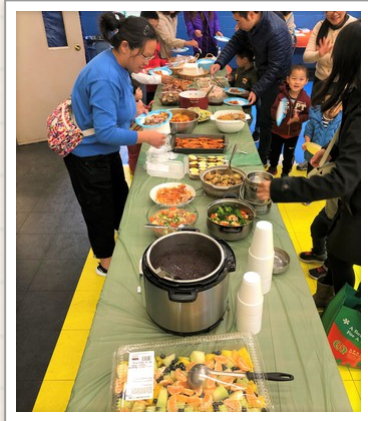
## Update from Mrs. Buth and Miss E's Classroom

The transitional kindergarten class has been working hard on reviewing their basics: letters and sounds, counting, more or less, opposites, categorizing and even rhyming words. Pretty soon we will start blending sounds and forming words, adding small numbers together, and writing sentences. These are very exciting steps towards our preparation for kindergarten. In the upcoming weeks we will be learning all about winter, the true meaning of Christmas, and animals in winter.

With the month of December already upon us, we have been busy practicing for our Christmas program. We are so excited to share with you the birth of Jesus. Our prayer is that you “Go tell it on the mountain” and share the wonderful Christmas story with friends, family, and loved ones. Well that’s all for now and we hope to see on December 15th.

## Chinese Families Celebrate Thanksgiving at Reformation

On Friday, November 29, many of the Chinese families from Reformation’s school and preschool came together to celebrate Thanksgiving.



## 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



## *Donations Needed*

# *The Christmas Store*

*Will be here December 13th!*

*Each year, the 7/8th grade students provide a Christmas shopping experience for Reformation students. School children can do all of their Christmas shopping for everyone on their list!*

*This fundraiser benefits the 7/8th grade educational trips to both Washington D.C., and Catalina Island.*

### *We need your help with the following donations:*

#### ***New and gently used gift items for all ages!***

Kids—toys, stuffed animals, art supplies, games, etc.

Teens— games, body spray, lotion, ear buds, lip gloss, cosmetics, beanies, etc.

Ladies items—candles, photo frames, jewelry, bath products, cooking related items, nail polish, specialty coffee or tea, scented lotions, etc.

Mens' items—ties, sports themed gifts, BBQ sets, money clip, aftershave, golf balls, wallet, car fresheners, etc.

For anyone!—ornaments, \$5 gift cards, slippers, key chains, books, luggage tags, candy, etc.

#### ***Gift wrapping supplies:***

Boxes, gift bags, tissue paper, scotch tape, ribbons and bows

***Cash donations are welcome as well!***








# Christmas in Clairemont

Christmas celebration for the family

Enjoy live nativity plays, coffee and cookies, crafts and storytelling.

Saturday, December 14  
 6:00 - 8:00 pm



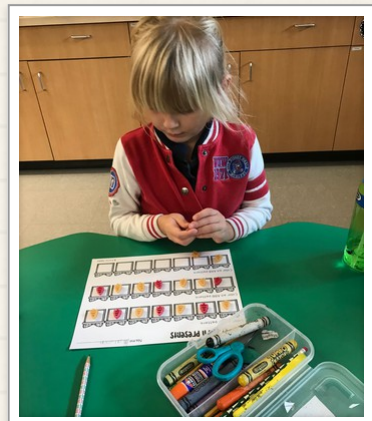
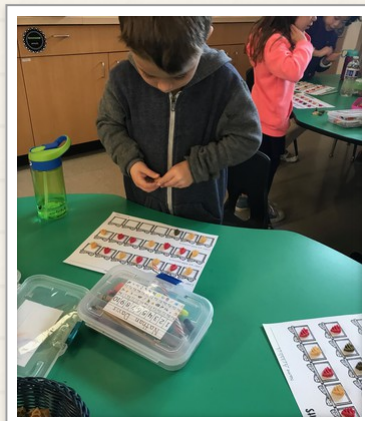
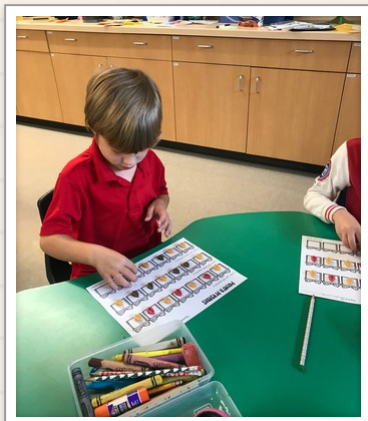





## Christmas in Clairemont—December 14!

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 [rodrigues@refsd.org](mailto:rodrigues@refsd.org) to get involved.

## KINDERGARTENERS MAKING CHRISTMAS TREE PATTERNS



## Reformation Breakfast

We are trying something different for our Reformation Breakfast Wednesdays. Parents should use the link below to sign up for what they would like to donate. This way other people know what has been donated and what is still needed. Thank you! Our next breakfast is December 15 at 7:00am.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C4AADA62AA1F85-pancake>



### #RefTechTip

I am sure many of you are aware of our Facebook presence, but did you also know that the school has an Instagram account? Follow us on Instagram for campus life updates and snapshots into what the students are doing weekly! Check us out @reformation\_school!

## 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



## GRADES 1-8 PREPARE FOR THEIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT



## Sports Update

The Boys A Basketball team continues their season when they play on Thursday, December 12, at 6:00 pm against Victory. The Boys B Basketball team also plays on Thursday, December 12, against Victory at 7:00 pm. Both games are played at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Pacific Beach. Come cheer on the Reformation Raiders!

## Basketball Sign-Up Information and Sign-up Sheet

This winter, girls in grades 4-8 have the opportunity to play in a competitive basketball league at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Pacific Beach. This league is in addition to the daytime WELS school basketball games and is **OPTIONAL**. During the regular season we will try to get everyone playing time. Please note that during tournaments and play-offs we will be playing our best players. We will try to play everyone during these games, but do not guarantee that everyone will play.

Reformation will have a Girls A and Girls B team. The A team will be coached by Mr. Bohl, and the Girls B team will be coached by Mrs. Homan. The Girls B team will consist of girls in grades 4-6. The Girls A team will consist of girls in grades 7-8 and possibly lower grades based by talent.



Practices for Girls B team will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:15-3:15 pm at Reformation's gym or Olive Grove Park (across the street from Reformation). Tuesday and Thursday practices might run a little shorter if there are games scheduled. Practices for Girls A team will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:15-4:15 pm at Olive Grove Park or Reformation's gym. Tuesday and Thursday practices may run a little shorter if there are games scheduled as well.

League play will begin sometime in February. Games are scheduled Tuesdays and/or Thursdays. There might be a few back-to-back games on those days as well. Games at St. Paul's league will begin at 4:00, 5:00, or 6:00 pm. We understand that not all parents can drive to games, but it is your job to make sure your daughter has a ride. Mrs. Homan and Mr. Bohl will be taking girls, but you will have to check with them to see if they have room. If you cannot find a ride, you can put a note out on our Shutterfly account that your daughter needs a ride.

The cost for the league per player will be \$20 for plus the cost of a basketball warm-up shirt (approximately \$25). Players will keep the shirt. Both will be billed together via FACTS. If your child still has their warm-up from last year, they do not need to buy a new one.

Please fill out the information below to sign up your daughter for basketball. This information will be used to put together a list of parents and share information and schedules on Shutterfly. Return this form to Mr. Bohl before Wednesday, December 11.

### **Reformation Basketball Sign-up Sheet**

(Please print the information below. Turn in this form to Mr. Bohl before Wednesday, December 11.)

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

My child has their shirt from last year. \_\_\_\_\_

Basketball Shirt Size (circle one): Youth--S M L XL Adult--S M L XL

Name on the back of the shirt: \_\_\_\_\_

My child has permission to play in the St. Paul's Basketball league and WELS basketball games and tournaments.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I am available to drive to basketball games and can take additional players.

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

# Reformation Family Calendar



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

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. (<http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/>)



## About Us


 Facebook

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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