

Reformation Lutheran School Newsletter Week 4 - 09/30/2016

Message from the Principal: Burdens to Jesus

This week, I had the privilege of giving chapel to our students. I was able to bring in an Apache burden basket from when my wife and I served on the Apache reservation. The Apache came up with the basket to help the women gather nuts and berries for the family. It let them have free hands to pick the food and carry more food than if they could only use their hands. I find the name of burden basket pretty clever.

It reminds me of the burdens that you and I carry around. The sin that we commit every day with our thoughts, words and actions. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't sin. That is a pretty heavy burden to carry around. It's a good thing Jesus is our ultimate burden carrier. He took our sins and burdens to the top of Mount Calvary to the cross. There, the burden of sin was lifted from us to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

I challenge you, as I have challenged our students, to carry each other's burdens. Just as Jesus carried our burdens, we can help others carry their burdens. We know each other's weaknesses and strengths and can help with making sure others can overcome their burdens. If you know someone that needs help, I challenge you to live up the words of Paul written to the Galatians: *Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.* (Galatians 6:2)

Update from Mrs. Sarah Homan

Kindergarten has been off to a great start! We have learned about God's great love for us and how we can show that love to each other. The students have begun learning Bible Passages so that they always have God's Word with them. God has blessed each of us will different talents which we need to use to the very best of our ability. The students love Wednesdays when their chapel buddy comes and takes them to chapel.

We have met two Superkids friends, Cass and Oswald, who will help us learn to read. These friends have taught us all about rhyming and the letters C and O. During the school year, we will meet more friends. In math, we have learned how to use math manipulatives. The students are also working on writing all of their numbers. One week we learned all about apples. We tasted many different kinds of apples and made applesauce. Now we are learning all about spiders.

Update from Miss Brigetta Guelker

What a wonderful class I have been blessed with! We have 10 boys and 4 girls in our class so we are "hopping" all the time! This first month, we have been getting to know each other through the cool "all about me" hats that we have made. It's very exciting to find out just how many things we have in common and what makes us unique, which ties in with our Bible stories and how God created the world and Adam and Eve. If you come in our room, you will find many different centers to facilitate our learning. Currently in 4K Reading and Writing, we are working on the letters A, B, C, and D along with their sounds. In 4K Math, we are reviewing our numbers from 1-10 and working on grouping and patterning. We are also working very hard on our name and strengthening our pincher fingers.

In TK, we are reviewing our ABC's and working on our sounds for each letter and the beginning sounds of each word. In Math, we are reviewing our numbers 1-20 and working on numbers 20-50. We are also using our deductive reasoning and investigative work to solve problems in the science area.

This next month we will do mini themes with apples and pumpkins as well as going on field trips to Vons to learn about apples and Oma's to learn about pumpkins. We will be using our math skills and step by step directions to do some cooking in our classroom. So if you pop in, we can't guarantee that you won't leave feeling hungry and wish you could stay and learn with us!!!!

Family Fun Night

Our Family Fun Night will be taking place on Friday, October 28th, 2016 from 6-8 pm. We ask that you ask the children in your class to donate a bag of candy for that night. They may be dropped off in the office.

Family Fun Night is a wonderful, family-friendly outreach event at Reformation with costume contests, cake walks, games, jumpies, food, and so much more. Family Fun Night will take place on Friday, October 28, from 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Please be a part of this event by signing up to volunteer for one or more than one of over 50 slots. If you would like to volunteer for more than one slot, you might want to sign up for back-to-back slots so that way you don't have to jump around from one location to another. You can still have enjoy time with your family at Family Fun Night and have time to serve many visitors and guests on our campus as well. Teenagers to adults are welcome to sign up to volunteer.

If you would like to volunteer for Family Fun Night, just follow the steps below. It is easy and painless. Thank you so much for your willingness to serve. God has truly blessed our church and school with many gifted people with the heart of service to Him! Thank you for your help!

Serving Jesus,

Michael Ash, Grades 3-4 Teacher at Reformation Lutheran School

Please sign up for Family Fun Night 2016!

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on ignUp.com: http://signup.com/go/ANaBrq
- 2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on SignUp.com)
- 3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Upcoming Events:

October 6 - Volleyball in Escondido

October 8 – All Star Volleyball Tournament @ CLHS

October 10 – No grade school – the teachers are at a conference that day

October 28 - Family Fun Night 6-8 pm

