



Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our Salvation! *Psalm 95:1*

RESURRECTION RAMBLER

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Parent-Teacher Conferences

Thank you to everyone for the quick responses so we were able to get the scheduling done so easily. Watch for the email. Families who did NOT respond with their preferences have been given an assigned time. If this time doesn't work for you, please contact Mrs. Hofland with alternate times (secretary@resurrection-wels.org). If you're unable to meet on Tue or Thur (Nov 15 or 17), you'll have to arrange a separate time with the teacher.

Snow Shoveling Crews

All RLS families participate in our winter aerobic activity of keeping the sidewalks cleared throughout the winter. Walks around the school and preschool entrances should be cleared prior to 7:30am on school mornings (if it snows on Sun evening, your crew is responsible on Mon morn).

We will send a reminder the Wednesday before your turn; connect with others from your week and divvy up the chores in whatever way you like.

If you are unable to serve during your assigned week, it is your responsibility to substitute with another family (please send a courtesy email to the School Office).

More info is on the schedule which can be found on the school website > News tab.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Nov 11: No School
- Nov 14—18: Stanford Testing
- Nov 15 & 17: Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Nov 16: Early Release (11am)
- Nov 23-25: Thanksgiving Break

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RLS Bowling Night!

Enjoy a fun-filled evening with other RLS families at our Bowling Night on Friday, Nov 18 (4:00-6:00pm) at Bowlocity. Afterwards head over to RLS for some pizza (6:15-7:00).

We will be sending a separate email with more information; please return the permission slip and \$5/bowler (cash or check made out to RLS/CES) in a labeled envelope.

For more info, contact Corey or Eric at RLSMNFACE@gmail.com

Our Christian Cornerstone



Bible Lessons This Week:

God shows love and forgiveness, so can we, begins with the lesson of *Joseph Tests His Brothers* followed by *Joseph Forgives His Brothers*. The students will learn how Benjamin's brothers showed love to Joseph instead of being jealous of him. The students also discussed how we show love to fellow members of God's family as a way of saying thank you to God for the love he shows us. In the second lesson, the students learned that because God forgives our sins for Jesus' sake, we forgive and show kindness to those who sin against us. Joseph could have taken revenge on his brothers for selling him into slavery, but he didn't. Instead, he forgave them and treated them with kindness.

Hymn this Week:

***O God, Our Help
in Ages Past***

Christian Worship #441
(due week of 10/31)

Kindergarten: v. 1
Grade 1-2: v. 1-2, 6
Grade 3-4: v. 1-3, 6

Bible Lessons For Next Week:

God's ways are mysterious, but all ways right, begins with the lesson of *Jacob Brings His Family to Egypt* followed by *Baby Moses*.

In the first lesson, the students will learn that Jacob and Joseph trusted God while living as strangers in a foreign land. They trusted God to be with them, to bless them, to take them back to the Promised Land, and to send a Savior from sin.

In the second lesson, the children learned how God prepared Moses through his parents to be the leader of the Israelites. Moses' birth mother nurtured his faith in God, and Moses' adoptive mother gave him the finest secular education available in the world at that time.

Hymn Next Week:

***All Praise to Thee,
My God, This Night***

Christian Worship #592

Grade 1-2: v. 1
Grade 3-4: v. 1,3
Grade 5-6: v. 1-3
Grade 7-8: v. 1-3

Trash for Cash

We still need your *Labels for Education* (Campbell's products); *Boxtops for Education*; and *Kwik Trip* milk caps, strips from the tops of milk and/or juice bags, or the price oval cut from the Glazers donuts box.

Please wash the milk caps or strips—it's just nicer that way! The Campbell's labels are soon expiring, so please bring those in right away.

All of these items go in a drawer in the little white cabinet located next to the elevator on the 1st floor.

Falling Leaves

Leaves, leaves, leaves are falling all around us. The 6th and 7th graders are working their way to DC (Spring 2018). If you would like their assistance in raking your lawn, please contact RaeAnne Boldt at 280-9263 to help arrange for the students to come help you out. 100% of the donations go to the students providing services.

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS:

- November 4 (Fri): VB at Silo-Lewiston, 4:30
- November 5 (Sat): VB Party, 5:00
- November 7 (Mon): VB Parents' Game, 4:30
- November 8 (Tues): VB at Lake City, 4:30
- November 10 (Thurs): VB at Winona, 4:30
- November 12 (Sat): A-Team VB Tmt @ RCLS, 9:00
- November 14 (Mon): Basketball season begins

**Practice and game details can be found on the:
[Rams Athletics Page.](#)**

Basketball Program

Girls B—The girls B team will consist of 3rd-5th graders that have signed up. Coaches will be Joe Lange and Jared Christensen. The team will *not* be participating in the Saturday RCYBA league play.

Girls A—The girls A team will consist of 6th-8th graders that have signed up. Coaches will be Ashley and Jackie Luehmann.

Boys B—The boys B team will consist of 4th-5th graders that have signed up. Coaches will be Nathan Bell, Jann Sarkaria, and Dustin Wood. The team will be participating in Saturday RCYBA league play.

Boys A—The boys A team will consist of 6th-8th grades that have signed up. Coaches will be Eric Prochnow, Ben Sawyer, Aaron Sahlin, and Danny Bendix.

Practices and game details can be found on the school Athletics calendar.

Athletic Payments

Volleyball registration fees were assessed last week to families through TADS billing system. You should see it as an added item on your payment receipt during November. The same will take place with each athletic season; and, we will wait to bill until the roster has been finalized and the season is underway. There is always a minimum of 10 days until the bill processes in the event you prefer to drop off payment in the school office.

Upcoming Birthdays

November 7th (Monday): Isaiah S (Gr 4)



Preschool Notes . . .

from Miss Kurtzweg

Learning Lambs November gives us extra chances to say, "Thank you, Jesus!" He promises to hear our prayers and be with us. Jesus has the best plan for us. Pastor Bitter visited us. We will have other visitors too.

The season of Fall helps us learn that red and yellow mixed makes orange. Our letters we practice will be *f* to *j*. We will continue to count, measure, figure out puzzles and shapes. We also are practicing talking to someone else if there is a concern and using our manners.

Blessed Thanksgiving!

Kindergarten Notes . . .

from Mrs. Thompson

Reading is Awesome...Thank you for the Book Orders :) It is so much fun to visit the Bookmobile and RLS Library! We are so blessed to have Ms. Taylor volunteering and doing an entire reorganization to be up and running again! Thank you so much, Ms. Taylor :)

We are filling up our **Reading Logs** and keeping up with the big kids. We are reading two steps a night, too! Our next class goal is to reach 200 steps. I wonder what our next Reading Celebration will be?

Review time...We are working with partners practicing our colors, shapes, High Frequency Words and rhyming words. We likerhyme time. We are counting as high as we can, counting by 2's and by 10's and even "I Spy'ing them in mixed up order.

Veteran's Day is Friday, November 11th. We will celebrate early on Thurs the 10th! We will bring in the names of family members and/or close friends that have served in the military or are currently serving and we read all the names and have a special prayer for them-thanking all of them for their service to our country. We will make flags and talk about each branch of the service. Some parents or grandparents may come in and chat with the class.

On the Monday and Tuesday before Thanksgiving, we will be having a **Thanksgiving 'feast'** snack with our Precious Lambs Preschool friends. We make one long table and meet and greet our neighbors with sharing of a bite to eat and some songs/poems with each other. It is pretty neat!

The take-out boxes :) are due back this week by Friday. We can't wait to fold and else them tight. Thank you for supporting this mission!

1st Grade Notes . . .

from Mrs. Broring

The Beginning of the Day After morning routines, the first graders begin their day learning about God. They are learning about Joseph and will soon learn about Moses. Through these lessons the 1st graders will get to see "...that in all things God works for the good of those who love him." (Romans 8:28a)

Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic These are some of the main things that keep 1st grade busy. While they all read daily, their favorite reading time is on Friday when they get to read with the 4th graders. Writing happens throughout the day and the first graders are regularly using capital letters at the beginning of a sentence and putting punctuation at the end. Learning about patterns, half hours, dimes, and frame and arrow routines will be some of the focus in math as the students work through Unit 3. Playing math games when Math Journal work is done is always a favorite.

The End of the Day This is an exciting time in 1st grade with subjects like Science, Social Studies, and Art. As the 1st quarter ends, the first graders will finish learning about solids in Science and transition to Social Studies where they will learn some things about the world in Bible times by studying Mesopotamia and Egypt. Art will include castle making and Pilgrim quilts. What a blessing it is to learn about the world God created.

2nd Grade Notes . . .

from Mrs. Bourman

We're humming along with new enjoyable discoveries every day, working hard together and particularly learning to celebrate mistakes, because that's where the real growth is. Even better we celebrate every day the JOY we have in knowing that we are precious, redeemed children of God, dear and important to Him. He has called us by name. We are His own.

In **Word of God** we'll continue to watch the real lives of the Old Testament people. We'll see them make bad choices and receive God's forgiveness. We'll see them trust God through the most impossible of situations. And we'll see God work all things for good to His children, as He's promised. We'll learn passages that help us to apply God's Word in the every days and in the hard times of our lives, too!

In **reading** we'll spend a little more time in literary text, using some coaching time to assess where we are in securing the Action 100 Common Core reading strategies for this quarter. Then starting near the beginning of 2nd quarter, we'll start work on informational text. It's the same in writing. We're working intensively on revising our best narrative pieces, we'll edit them and finally we'll publish them. I think you'll be surprised at the amazing work these children are doing. Then we'll start work on our informational project--Living History Fair.

We're about to finish our **Insect Unit** with a test on Tuesday. From there we'll move to finishing our map unit and then studying about Ancient India.

Conferences: I look forward to meeting with you all. We sing in church on December 4. Our mission money for Friends of China needs to be here on Friday

3rd Grade Notes . . .

from Mr. Zahn

Thanks for your understanding about our **Field Trip** waiting list situation. We are now officially signed up for the March 22, 2017 Ordway Theater 10:30a performance of Las Cafeteras. We will take a coach bus up to the Twin Cities with Grade 4 for the show. We'll split up after the show and then join them for the ride back. Grade Three will check out the Landmark Center across the street plus a couple of museums inside the building, take a peek at the Cathedral of St. Paul, and the spend the rest of the time outdoors at the Mississippi Valley National Wildlife Refuge near the airport. Note: We will be arriving back to school late that day at about 5p.

We are wrapping up our spelling words from Qtr 1. I'll send home a sheet of the 25 words that we'd like the students to *always* spell correctly (plus a few Gr 1 words that slipped through the cracks :)

4th Grade Notes . . .

from Miss Hagglund

Read all about it: We read 2 fantastic stories this week: Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude and Battle Bunny. We started a new read-aloud book, Mr. Popper's Penguin. Have your child tell you something about those stories, it's been a fun reading week, and we're incorporating it into our writing as well! We can't wait to share our stories with you!

Science & Social Studies: We just wrapped up a unit about the sun, moon, and stars. Our next unit is about the human body! In Social Studies, we've been learning about how the government is set up and especially discussing the upcoming election!! The students sure are interested in the topic and it's been fun to explore this topic with them!

Recorders! A major high-five goes to this class who has been working very hard to learn to play their recorders (which I'm sure you know from home) and they sound absolutely amazing. I'm so impressed with their determination, willingness to teach each other, and their focus as we learn! They are a blossoming crew!!

Worship! The 4th grade class will sing for church at Resurrection Lutheran on Sunday, November 20th. We will sing at the end of the 8am service and at the beginning of the 10:30am service. Please let me know as soon as possible if your child is unable to attend, so I can plan accordingly for solos and incorporating musical instruments.

5th & 6th Grade Notes . . .

from Mrs. Hardinger

5 Science: We will be finishing up our Unit on Food and Nutrition for the 1st quarter. During 2nd quarter we will begin our unit on Variables. Some of the most important scientific concepts students learn are the result of their ability to see relationships between objects and events. Students will fling, float, fly, and flip objects as they discover relationships in each investigation.

5 Math: We will continue to solidify our multiplication facts. In the 2nd quarter we will work more on long division. We will work on story problems about comparing and elapsed time. Our math lessons will include work on drawing pictures of fractions and classifying triangles. We will also have some fun working with mixed numbers and number lines.

5&6 Art: I am looking forward to making some fun holiday projects. Students will be bringing home some Thanksgiving and Christmas projects/gifts.

5&6 Social Studies: We are learning about the amazing events that led up to our country being founded. We have been talking about the 13 colonies. The next chapter we will discuss the American Revolution.

6th—8th Grade Notes . . .

from Mr. Belter

Report Cards & Conferences: A few events to keep an eye on in the coming month. Next week we end the quarter so be looking for report cards coming home soon. Make sure those are signed and brought back so we know you have seen them. After that we have parent teacher conferences. I know information has gone out about signing up. If something comes up and you can't make it for your time, please let me or the office know so we can make adjustments as necessary.

Learning Fair: After the end of quarter I will start learning fair work with the 6th grade. I know that Mrs. Grove has begun a bit encouraging them to find a topic but before Thanksgiving you should be looking for more information from me as to deadlines and things like that.

Classes: As far as overall classes go we will wrap things up before the end of the quarter and finalize grades. For math, tests come every five lessons so look for those about once a week. I will send home the alternate form of the test which students can do for a bonus point on the test. Some have taken advantage of that already, and I encourage everyone to do it. It's a free point. If you have any questions on anything, please do not hesitate to ask and let me know. Blessings on your month!

5th—8th Grade Notes . . .

from Mrs. Grove

Grades 7-8

Learning Fair: It's time for the kids to narrow down their choices for the Living History Fair. The deadline for selecting and having their person approved by me is **Monday, November 7**. The students need to find sources and begin creating their note cards soon, if they haven't already begun. Refer to the rubric and brochure for more details.

Word of God: We're taking a break from our study of 1 and 2 Peter to focus on Martin Luther for the first couple of classes in November. That means there will only be a couple of new grades added for Word of God before the end of the quarter.

Testing will be held from November 14-18. Please try to ensure your child is well rested, starts the day with breakfast, and has a healthy snack. (Sugary snacks give a quick fix, but with a big energy crash that follows.) A water bottle is also really beneficial. We'll be spending time on IXL in advance of testing. This is a great way to refresh and reinforce concepts, and the kids can access their accounts from home, too. They should be focusing on the Language Arts areas for their grade level.

Other **Language Arts** highlights include our classroom study of the novel *Each Little Bird That Sings*. The protagonist of our novel lives above a funeral home, so forming background knowledge will be really helpful. We had the opportunity to visit Ranfranz and Vine Funeral Home. In the area of writing, we've started lessons that explore *Proficiency in the Sentence Writing Strategy*.

Our focus in **Health Class** includes a study of *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens*. We're making connections to Scripture as we examine behaviors that encourage a strong work ethic, positive social interactions, and Christ-like character development. Choices made now go a long way to setting kids up for success through high school and into their adult lives.

Grades 5-6

In **Reading Class** we've begun a group read-aloud of *A Wrinkle in Time*. The kids are tuning in to new vocabulary words, comparing and contrasting characters, and focusing on why the author chooses to include the things she does. Will the Murry children ever find their dad? What's the big deal about a *tesseract*? And who are Mrs. Who and Mrs. Whats-it really? We're excited to get further into the story and find out.

Part of our **Language Arts** study will take us into *Fundamentals in the Sentence Writing Strategy* as the kids explore the basics of solid sentence writing. They'll then practice applying that in their personal writing. They'll also have opportunities to access their grade level Language Arts skills on IXL, to review and reinforce skills leading up to testing.

Health Class has taken us into the study of our bodies and sexuality, in the light of God's Word and His perfect design. Mr. Christensen is spending time with the boys during those classes, and I'm meeting with the girls. I really appreciate how open and honest the girls are with their questions. There's a lot of confusing, non-Christian, and inaccurate information out there. It's a blessing to be able to talk openly about a subject that's so important. Thank you, parents and guardians, for following up and willingly talking with your child at home, even if it makes some of you uncomfortable. God will bless your efforts!