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Ram News

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Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord. Psalms 27:14

Principal's Message

This Sunday is Transfiguration Sunday. It is the day when Christ was Transfigured before Peter, James, and John, and is the last Sunday before Lent. Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, February 6. We have two services every Wednesday during lent one at 2:30pm and, one at 7:00pm. I pray you will take time out of your schedule to worship with us as we prepare for Christ death and resurrection. Ash Wednesday's service will include the burying of the Alleluia's and the imposition of ashes. Have you thought what you may give up for Lent?

HELP Needed on Market Day Pick-up Day

Help is needed to set up, assist customers with filling their orders, and putting the tables away. Set up starts at 2:00, and we are usually done around 5:00. Please call Jennifer Honaker at 837-7158 if you are available to help. Thank you.

Special Person's Day/Grandparent's Day

Our students are encouraged to invite a special friend or grandparent to school on Friday, February 8 in the afternoon. Special People should meet in the gym at 1:00pm to register and get some lunch from Chick-Fil-A. This is followed with time in the classroom and a presentation by Larry Holycross as he portrays Peter in the Sanctuary. Contact your child's teacher or the school office for more information. PreS classes on Thurs. Feb. 7th Am and PM.

Floor Hockey Night

Our annual floor hockey night is this Friday, February 8th from 6:00pm-10:00pm. Those students in Preschool through Kindergarten will play between 6:00pm-7:30pm Grades 1-4 play from 7:30-9:00pm and Grades 5-8 will play from 9:00pm-10:00pm. We will need parents to help keep things running.

Host Family Needed

We have the opportunity to have another student from Korea join us for the last half of the year to finish 8th grade. We are looking for someone who would be willing to host a 15 year old young man from now until the beginning of June. If this is something you have thought about doing in the past but didn't want to commit for a whole year, here's your opportunity. Please contact Mr. Landskroener and he can provide you with what is required to be a host family. What a great opportunity to witness to someone from another country.

To the families of Our Shepherd Lutheran School: I understand that we have a new exchange student joining us soon! I wanted to share with you our family's experience with hosting an exchange student this year. We had thought about hosting a student before, but felt our daughter was too young, and that the age difference would be too great. We were also concerned that we had too little space – all the spare space we had was a bunk bed, part of our daughter's closet, and (with some re-organizing effort) a dresser. However, when there was an urgent need for an exchange student this summer, we were willing to give it a try.

We are so happy we did! The age difference has actually been wonderful – my young daughter has a "big sister", and our exchange student has a "little sister". My daughter has learned so much from Junghae, and has benefitted in so many ways. Our small amount of space has not been an issue for anyone. Our whole family has been blessed by the experience. We were blessed beyond what we gave as is often the case!

I encourage you to consider being a host family to our new student. If you are concerned about the age difference between the student and your child, consider the benefits of an "older brother"! If you are concerned about space, you may find as we did that space is really not an issue. I am sure that you will be as blessed as we have this year, with this wonderful experience.

- Katie Grames

Yard signs

Yard signs are available for you to put up in your yard. Please make sure you take them down by the end of February. These signs have served as a great reminder for people to seek out our school for their children's education. Thanks for your help.

Calendar

February

Friday Girls BB Tournament @ St. John's 1st

Saturday 2nd

Worship 6:30am

Girls BB Tournament @ St. John's

Sunday 3rd

Worship Service 8:00am

Sunday School 9:30am

Worship Service 10:30am

Worship 10:45am

Monday Girls BB Practice 5:30 4th

Tuesday Girls BB game Home vs Kingsway Boy's BB game @ Kingsway both at 5:00 5th

Wednesday 6th

Thursday 7th

Special points of interest:

Feb 1st & 2nd Girls BB Tournament @ St. John's



Sports News

Ram Basketball/ Cheerleading

The girls play Kingsway at home on Tuesday, February 5th or you can head over to Kingsway at the same time (5:00pm) to watch the boys do battle. The girls are also taking part in the St. John's tournament on February 1st and 2nd. If you haven't come out to cheer on your Rams, please come out!

For details of the schedule go to www.ourshepherd.org or check out the sports board.

Lil Rams Basketball

Practices start Saturday February 2nd with games beginning the following weekend. We have almost 50 kids involved this year and over 25 volunteers to help. You can access the general schedule at the website above or check out the sports board across from Marty's office to see the detailed schedule.

5th-8th Physical Education Class

The upper grade students have begun another adventure during these long winter months. Using pedometers donated from Hendricks Regional Health the students have been busy adding up their steps. The goal is to walk 13,000,000 steps from Indianapolis to Seoul South Korea which is where our foreign exchange student Jung-Hae is from. The students have taken over 100,000 steps so far. You can see the updated results on the gymdoors.

Sickness Reminder

Students should not attend school if they have a temperature, if they have vomited, or had diarrhea in the last 12 hours. They must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. Good rule of thumb: If you have to give your child Tylenol to help with a slight fever before sending his/her to school, please do not send them to school.

That time of year again

Winter weather is here. School closings will be broadcast on TV channels 6,8,13, and 59. Closings will also be on WIBC 1070am radio. **WE WILL NOT HAVE TWO HOUR DELAYS.** These delays are mostly for buses. Since we don't have buses and parents have to get to work, we will operate as normal. Remember if you don't feel safe getting out then please stay home. A reminder, if school is closed for inclement weather, extended care is also closed.

Enrollment and Re-enrollment Information

Enrollment and Re-enrollment packets have been sent home. If you are considering Our Shepherd for your child's education please contact the school office to set up a time for an interview. Enrollment for members and current students will begin on February 1st. Enrollment for the public will begin on February 19, although we accept application, before hand. If you know of someone who is thinking of attending Our Shepherd, please have them contact the school office, or give us their name and we will contact them.

