Concordia Lutheran School

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"Bringing Christ and excellence in academics to our children for life and forever."

EAGLE BANNER

February 13, 2025

IMPORTAN T DATES

Thurs. February 13

- Grilled Cheese - \$2 8th Grade PJ Day Fundraiser -Team Photo Day -PTL Hockey Night

Fri. February 14

- No School Professional Development

Mon. February 17

- No School Winter Break

Tues. February 18

- Hot Dog Tuesday
- T-Shirt Tuesday
- -8th Grade Dine & Donate Qdoba 4-8 p.m.

Wed. February 19

- Chapel Services
- Crispy Chicken Wrap - Midterm Reports Issued
- Grades 3 -8

Looking Ahead....

Gradebook closes - 4 p.m. February 13th for midterms!

> No School Friday, Feb. 14th

No School Monday, Feb. 17th

DPI deadline for choice students is February 20^{th.}

PLEASE HELP MAKE IT STOP! TUNE IN TO THE FRIENDZY FOCUS...

Last weekend in the LOOKING AHEAD email, I shared the heavy weight that I am feeling with the amount of **teasing, name-calling, and put-downs** between our students. Some try to pass it off as "just joking". Honestly, it just isn't funny and there is no need or place for it - here or anywhere.

If this is weighing on me, I can only begin to imagine how the child that is the object of someone's "joke" must feel. Some ignore it and move on but it eats aware at kids inside.

Our Social Emotional Learning Curriculum, Friendzy, works to address these topics in a Godly way. Last month the unit was entitled, "Watch Your Words". This unit encouraged students to think about what they say before speaking. Please have a conversation with your child about the impact of their words today and let God's Word be your guide. A number of Scripture verses were provided in this unit, too. Look up Ephesians 4:29 – your child will remember hearing it.

This month our Friendzy focus is on forgiveness. Thank goodness for the forgiveness Jesus offers us! The Bible reminds us to "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other just as in Christ, God forgave you. " ~ Ephesians 4:32

COME WORSHIP WITH US!

Join friends and family from school at one of the worship services to celebrate the Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany.

Saturday, 2/15 @ Faith – 4 p.m. Sunday, 2/16 @ Faith – 9:00 a.m. Sunday, 2/16 @ Holy Cross –10:00 a.m.



SET APART TO SERVE

Stop by and check out **Mrs. Ochoa** story posted on the Set Apart to Serve bulletin board. Did you know that Mrs. Ochoa's mother also taught at Concordia? So much to learn!

When March rolls in we are excited to feature Mrs. Russo, our third-grade teacher. We welcomed her to our faculty this year – what a blessing!

TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

We have several new families that have applied to receive a voucher at the school next year and have submitted the necessary paperwork to do so. <u>Current</u> families MUST complete the necessary reenrollment process through the school (FACTS Family Portal) **AND** apply through DPI (www.dpi.wi.gov/choice), if you are receiving a voucher. Please be sure to do so **before** February 20, 2025!

SPECIAL THANK YOU!

Thank you to Mrs. J. (4th grade helper) and Mackenzie Thom and family for your donations to our DOJO store. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

APRIL DOJO STORE

Our next DOJO store is in April and will need some replenishing. Some of the more popular items are candy, spicy chips, small or medium stuffed animals, craft kits nifty school supplies, girly jewelry, and any sports equipment.

BEAR COUNTY THANK YOU

Thank you to all the families who helped our PTL by attending the Christmas Carnival of Lights during the months of November & December PTL received \$37.50 to use towards field trips and classroom needs.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS CLUB

Once again, the Battle of the Books Club will be meeting in February and March. They will be discussing the books they are reading and playing games with peers to prepare for the competition in April. Please see the attached permission slip for more information.

GRADES CLOSE FOR MIDTERM ON 2/13

Students are expected to faithfully complete work and submit it on time. Any student with an F or a grade point average below 2.0 on two consecutive grade reports will not be eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities or athletics and will be placed on an academic probation plan. Please closely monitor your email for gradebook notifications regarding missing or low assignments in order to assist your child.

8[™] GRADE DINE & DONATE: SAVE THE DATE FOR DC TRIP

On **February 18th** the 8th graders will be hosting a Dine and Donate Night at Qdoba from 4 – 8 PM. They will receive 25% of all sales at the 6035 W. Durand Ave, Mt. Pleasant location.

TEXAS ROADHOUSE DINE & DONATE

Please come out and support our PTL on **Monday**, **February 24th from 4 – 9 p.m**.. We will receive 10% of your total food purchases. These funds help cover costs of field trips and classroom supplies.

WINTERIM HELP NEEDED

On Friday, February 28th we welcome a few local partners in education to our school to share their work in the community. (Chay's Taekwondo, JR's Pups 'N Stuff, and Racine PD K9 Unit) This year's participants are fewer than in past years so we need your help! Do you have career, hobby, craft or other special interest to share with our kindergarten through grade 5 students? Please contact Mrs. Klein, by Tuesday 2/18, via email (jeannine.klein@concordialutheranschool.net) if you can spend a morning or afternoon sharing with our kids! Thank you!

SUMMER BRIDGING PROGRAM 2025

Younique Minds is partnering with St. John's Lutheran School to host a Lutheran school summer bridging and enrichment program again this year. Any families who were with the program last year will have the first opportunity to sign up. Early-bird Registration begins on February 17th. These families will be contacted by email from YOUnique Minds. New family registration will open March 3rd.

Extended care is back for this program! Theywill be offering extended care to participating families from 8am-12pm. Please see the detailed flyer attached for more information. Please consider using this program to help set your child up for success in the year ahead.

SUMMER READING TUTORING AVAILABLE

Jill Hasseldahl is offering a 6-week summer one-onone Literacy Boost at Trinity Lutheran School. You will receive 45 min. of personalized individual instruction two times per week. Tutoring is for all children finishing their kindergarten year and starting their eighth-grade year in the Fall of 2025. Please see the attached brochure for more information on dates and cost. Thank you!

KEEPING OUR FAMILIES IN PRAYER

As part of our family, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We will be including you in our prayers throughout the year, here in school and at our churches. Please join us in lifting up the following families and their children, along with members of our staff, in your prayers: Malvasio (Raelyn), Manderfield (Brody), Martinez (Miabella), Mrs. Maricque (K4 Aide), Mrs. Martin (Substitute Teacher), and Mrs. Martinez (8th Grade Teacher).

CHAPEL OFFERINGS

"Hearts for Jesus: LeadaChild" is our ongoing chapel offering project for the months of January and February. The focus of this project is sharing the love of Jesus with children around the world. With no chapel this week, just our office jar raised \$4.39 bringing our grand total to \$425.00. We have TWO WEEKS TO GO! The goal for this project is \$600.00 (or more).

TODAY'S VERSE TO REMEMBER

Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

~ Isaiah 54:10

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"There are no shortcuts to any place worth going." ~ Beverly Sills

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ATHLETICS NEWS & NOTES

Practice and Game information will be available via Game Changer for "A" & "B" Squad boys and the TeamReach App for "A" & "B" Squad Girls and Cheerleading.

<u>NOTE:</u> Students that were not in school the day of a game due to illness are unable to attend.

RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH NEWS FOR YOU!

