

## News and Notes from St. Stephen Lutheran School September 9, 2020



TO ALL FAMILIES: When sending in payments, (ex: latchkey, tuition, hot lunch) please make out separate checks. All of these go to different categories and checkbooks. This will make it much easier for us. Sorry for the inconvenience and thank you for your help!

**PreK News:** This week in Pre-K and Kindergarten we are learning ALL About Me. We are learning why we are so special to God as well as our parents. Parents please make sure to check the Take Home Folder for information about some special projects we are doing this week in our classroom. We have been having fun learning to use our glue sticks, glue bottles and watercolor paints. Tuesday we began focusing our learning on colors, letters, shapes, and numbers. This week we began with the color Red, the letter A, the shape of a circle, and the numbers 0 and 1. Next week we will introduce the color Blue, and the shape of a triangle. I have been asking them to look for circles and things that are the color Red in their world. We play it as “I Spy something red” or the shape of a circle”. On Friday the entire school is wearing red, and this week I am also introducing the Pledge of Allegiance with the children. Also this Friday will be our first SHOW AND TELL DAY and Pizza Day. Next week our theme will be about Our Feelings.

**Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> News:** K began the 2<sup>nd</sup> letterbook this week (O) and will begin studying community helpers in Social Studies. Grades 1 & 2 will begin studying American history. Color Day this Friday is Red Day – thank you to the Enriquez family for providing our treat today! Please bring about 45 pre-packaged treats on the color day for which you signed up. Thank you. We have begun Wednesday chapel services. Offerings may be brought in any day and the children can put their offerings in the box on the way into chapel. Please return any “Student of the Week” forms. First graders have been doing well on remembering to read their “Little Books” every night! 1<sup>st</sup> graders: please send in a baby photo of your child that I can copy for their science workbook. Your photo will be returned to you! School picture day is next Wednesday 9/16. There is a half day on Friday 9/18.

Upcoming Memory Work: (grades 1 & 2): Due Thursday 9/10: Set 1 (white) 2A & B. Due Tuesday 9/15: Set 1 3A, Due Thurs. 9/17: Set 1 3B K-4 will begin Fine Arts this week. Our year will focus on abstract art/artists. Thank you and God bless your week!

**2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade News:** Please be sure to send in your child’s beach towel again. Thank you for checking and signing your child’s planner each night. We will bring home our first book report Friday. Please start reading. An assignment will be sent home after the children have read a majority of their book. Red Day is Friday. Please wear a red shirt (SSLS if you have one) for our all school picture. Those in soccer have your uniform ready Friday for pictures. The first hymn recitation is due this Friday.

**5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> Grade News:** 5/6: Memory work passages for lesson 2 are due by Thursday morning. 7/8: The Eastern states geography quiz will be assigned this Thursday and due 9/17. 7/8: Our first test in history will be next Tuesday on Chapter 1. 6-8: Books for the September book report need to be approved by this Thursday as the reports are due 9/24. 6<sup>th</sup>: mystery, 7<sup>th</sup>: own choice with my approval, 8<sup>th</sup>: news articles. There will be one spelling test this Friday.

**NOTE:** Some of you may have heard that the State has given us the OK for fall sports which includes soccer: Our first games are this Saturday at Jenera with the first game at 10:30 and the second one at 12. The coaches have

practices planned for this week on Wednesday and Thursday until 5:00pm. Friday, if your child is able to stay after school there will be practice until 4:30. This is not mandatory. Please bring your own MARKED water bottle. Also, cleats are not mandated, but chin guards are necessary. Please wear comfortable clothes for practice. I have not heard if there will be concessions down in Ohio at this time or not, so you may want to bring your own snacks. There will be an athletic directors meeting this week where we will hear about more protocols from the state for when we play in MI. Stay tuned. Soccer pictures will be this Friday, along with our Red Day picture.

**Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary:** At this time of year we normally try and help our Seminary students who are at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary with a Food Drive. With Covid-19 restrictions it would be impossible to plan the usual food drive. If you would still like to help these students and families you can still do that. We will be taking a collection to send. If you would like to send in a monetary donation, you can either write a check out to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary or send in cash and we will write out a check. Please mark your envelope clearly for the food drive. Thank you very much for your help, the students and their families appreciate this so much each year! If you have any questions, please call the church or school office. Thank you!

**Church Attendance:** We will be taking church attendance this year. If your child attends on Thursday or Sunday in person that is great. If you watch the online service as a family that counts. This weekend we are going to have 3 services going forward for awhile. Thursday at 7, Sunday at 8:30 or 10:15. We ask that you register a head of time. If you don't get an email link to register for services already please call the school office and we will get you set up.

**G Suite:** E mails were sent last night for those who missed signing their child in to our school G Suite. All that needs to be done right now is to reset a password and make note of it and your child's school email. More information will follow once everyone is signed in. If you have any questions please let Mrs. Neumann know.

**LATCHKEY:** Reminder there is no Latchkey after school on half days. Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup> is a half day with no latchkey.

**Wednesday note:** Everyone has signed up for the Wednesday note to come by email only, please check to make sure it came through. If it did not, please call Mrs.Kemerer in the school office so she can correct it. Thank you.

#### Upcoming Events:

**Friday September 11: Red Day Picture/Soccer pictures/ Pizza Day**

**Saturday, September 12: Soccer at Jenera 10:30 & 12:00**

**Wednesday, September 16: School Picture Day**

**Friday, September 18: 11:15 AM School Dismissal – NO LATCHKEY**

**Saturday, September 19: Soccer at Monroe 9:00 & 12:00**

**Friday, September 25: Pizza Day**

**Saturday, September 26: Soccer at Home 9:00 & 12:00**

**Friday October 2: Volleyball at JVL-Pre- season Tournament 5:00PM**

**October 7-9: No School- Teacher Conference**

**October 14: Report Cards Sent home**

**Saturday, October 17: Volleyball at Home 9:00 & 11:00**

**October 22: No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences**

**October 23: Reading Festival**

**Saturday, October 24: Volleyball at Monroe 9:00 & 10:00**

**Mission Offerings:** Total: 45.72. This year our chapel offerings will be sent to Children's Ministry Outreach.