



A's Days

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School News and Needs

Thanksgiving Baskets:

* As we do every year in November, our teachers will receive a gift certificate to Super 1 Foods for their Thanksgiving dinner. We ask each student to bring in \$10.00 to go towards their teacher's gift certificate. Please drop off the money at the front desk before November 11th.

Spell-A-Thon:

*Friday is our final spelling test for our Spell-A-Thon Fundraiser. Listed are some important dates to be remembered for our fundraiser: **November 1st**, pledge sheets/envelopes are returned to the students with the number of words spelled correctly, filled in. Students will then begin to collect the remaining money pledged by their sponsors; **November 14th**, the pledge envelopes are to be turned in with all pledge money. If pledged money is not turned in on this date it will not be counted in determining a student's eligibility for prizes. We do not desire to appear harsh with this cut off, but we have to draw the line to determine prize eligibility at a certain point; **November 17th**, prizes will be handed out.

Emergency Calling Tree:

*Yesterday every family was sent home and emailed MVCA's Emergency Calling Tree. If you have not seen this, please check your child's take homes.

Bake Sale:

*On Friday October 28th, Dostoevsky is hosting a bake sale. Please have your child bring a few dollars to purchase some goodies.

Sting Soccer:

*Congratulations Ryan Windauer and Josh Lake! Both players were picked to play in this weekend's All-star Soccer Game in Great Falls. Good work boys!

Dress Down Day:

* This Friday, October 28th is Dress Down Day. Dress Down Day is on every last Friday of the month. All students are allowed to wear clothing of their choice as long as it is modest and wholesome.

October 31st Costumes:

*On Monday, October 31st, students are allowed to dress up as a Bible character for the school day.

This week's hot lunch

*Potato Soup
And Dessert*




A big thank you to the
Lakes and Gabe/Aleta
Mergenthaler
Families

*Please bring \$1.50
for Lunch*

Curricular News

- Mrs. Brown ~ 3rd-4th Grade-** We are finished with The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. What a great allegory telling us about forgiveness, sacrifice and love. Edmund has been forgiven for betraying his siblings, Peter, Susan and Lucy and death was defeated in Narnia because Aslan was sacrificed instead of Edmund. Jesus was sacrificed for our sins and death is defeated! Parents, if you have never read the Narnia series, read it someday. Please encourage your child to keep working on the Bible memory for this quarter. Next week is the end of the quarter. Also, the class is memorizing the Grammar Jingles...keep working on those. The fourth graders are being tested every week on one of the multiplication facts along with the regular Math tests. Next test will be on the 7's. Keep working on those. This is the last week for the Spell A Thon. It's not too late to ask friends and family to sponsor you. In Science, we have been learning about insects. Hopefully, soon, we will be able to use Mr. Hart's microscope and check out some insects more closely. Thank you, Mr. Hart, for letting us have your beautiful butterfly display in the classroom. Also, for Science this week, the 5th and 6th grade class is going to share with us some things that they have been learning. We are looking forward to spending the day on Wednesday at the Sweet Pickin's Pumpkin Patch in Kalispell.
- Mrs. Dunn ~ 5th-6th Grade- Bible-** Our class will continue studying the Exodus from Egypt and begin the Conquest of Canaan **Math-** Chapter tests will be on Wednesday and Thursday this week. Our next chapter will be on division. **Grammar-** We are learning five prepositions this week and a couple more jingles. **History-** Card 8 Westward Expansion. "Go West young man!" Who went? What was it like? We will be looking at this this week. **Literature-** We are half way through our novel of Old Yeller. We are hearing a lot of people talking about hydrophobia. We will see how this affects our story family. **Science-** We have a trunk containing interesting wildlife things like skulls, footprints, lots of pictures, and books. Our class will share what they have learned with the younger grades on Thursday and Friday. **Spelling-** We will continue to learn five new words per night. The students need to study hard for the Spell-A-Thon.
- Mr. Hart ~ Algebra 1-** We've started a chapter on solving equations. Students will master how to isolate a variable. **Algebra 2-** students are finishing a chapter about linear functions. They are all good with the linear part: graphing lines and inequalities, finding distances and midpoints. We still have some work to do on funtions of functions though. **Russian-** Students took a big vocabulary test over lesson 2. Scores were varied from very high to fairly low. Students need to master the vocabulary at every stage because once it's presented it will be used in everything: sentences, paragraphs, exercises etc. We'll have to spend a few extra days in lesson two trying to ensure everyone has the possibility of success in the future. **Biology-** We are studying ATP and ADP this week. Next week we'll move on to heredity including Punnett Squares. Students will be bringing in edible cells to school Monday, October 31st. **Pre-calculus-** we're working on the Law of Sines and the Law of Cosines.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	26  Yzabel Mergenthaler	27	28 Spell-A-Thon Test #4 <hr/> Dress Down Day	29 
30	31  Bible Character Dress Up	1	2	3	4 End of First Quarter	5