

## Preschool Classrooms

**Mrs. Wagner's:** Just as the seasons change, we have also seen many changes in our preschoolers. They have settled into their daily routines and seem very eager to learn! As we finish up our "My Five Senses" Unit in October, we begin our investigation of "Seasons All Around." The seasons of the year are a very difficult concept for preschoolers to understand as they confuse the weather and the seasons. We will learn about the weather and the special characteristics of each season. We will read about many plants and animals and how they survive the changing seasons...ie - hibernation, migration, adaptation. As Thanksgiving week approaches, we will be celebrating all that we are thankful for with a "Thank-You-God Potluck."

**Mrs. Cavin 3:** We have been learning about the changing seasons, and about how we are growing and changing as well. We have continued to work on our listening skills, and pre-writing skills. We have enjoyed learning about Abraham, Isaac, Joseph, and others as we continue through the Old Testament. We are looking forward to our Thankful Harvest party at the end of the month.

## Kindergarten Happenings – Mrs. Stottlemeyer

Fall is such a fun time for kindergarten. Colorful leaves and plump pumpkins aide us in our learning. I am always so amazed at what my students know now since the beginning of the year. Thanksgiving is coming and this is a fun time when we start talking turkeys but it is also a great time to remember to thank God for all of our blessings. I know I am thankful for my class!

## First Grade News – Mrs. McGhee

We welcomed a new student to our class last month and also adopted a class pet. Our new girl likes to read and draw. The new guinea pig is named Peanut. She loves to eat and squeak. We've been working on our writing skills and look forward to writing a mystery story, "The Case of the Missing Turkey" In Religion class the group has been working on The Red Sea Rap. and learning the 10 Commandments.

*St. John is a great place to learn and grow!!*

# St. John Lutheran School Newsletter

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## Time for Thanksgiving

When asked, most people claim Christmas as their favorite holiday. For myself I have always chosen Thanksgiving. The Lord tells us to give thanks in everything we do, but I find that that is not always the case. Do you give thanks when a crisis happens or when stress overtakes your life? How about when you lose a parent or friend, or when you get cancer? Over the past year, I must say I did thank the Lord every day, for I knew that He had my cancer journey no matter the outcome. I am blessed that I am considered cancer free, but I still have a long way to be cured of cancer. I am truly blessed! Remember to give thanks through everything, for when life gets rough, it is then that the Lord is carrying you and no matter the outcome He truly is there for you.

I thank the Lord for each of you and all you do for St. John Lutheran Church and School! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and remember to thank the Lord not just on Thanksgiving, but every day!!!

His servant,  
Mrs. Kosmerchock, Principal

## FOOD DRIVE

Help the school children collect food items for the St. John Food Pantry! Our goal is **2500 items**. Together we can make this happen! Bring your items to church and place in the Cornucopia in the front of church. We look forward to watching it fill up!

**STOP! Have you ordered your SCRIP for Black Friday shopping?** It is easy to do! Go out to our school website at [stjohntigers.com](http://stjohntigers.com) and click on our SCRIP program. You can order online or at the school. Orders need to be in every Tuesday by 10 a.m. If you need help, contact Brandi Berry our SCRIP coordinator and she will be happy to help you. Your rebate can help our school earn money!



- 11/1 P/T Conference 3:30 – 8 p.m.
- 11/2 Early Dismissal P/T Con 1:15 – 5:30
- 11/4 – 11/11 Book Fair
- 11/7 EC Chapel 2:45 p.m.
- 11/8 BCDS Meeting 7 p.m.
- 11/15 2<sup>nd</sup> Grandparent/Visitor Chapel 8:55
- 11/19 PTL Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 11/20 Pie Pick Up after school
- 11/21 Tigers Den Open
- 11/22 – 24 No School Thanksgiving
- 11/27 2 hour delay/Faculty Meeting

## Second Grade News – Mrs. Yoder

November is a big month in second grade. We are gearing up to lead chapel just before Thanksgiving, and the kids have been working harder than ever. Of course there are also plenty of discussions about the things we are thankful for, and it's heartwarming to hear the wonderful things the students say.

## Third Grade Classroom – Mrs. Scheurich

Chapel was a huge success! The students did an awesome job!! They were very proud of themselves after the experience! We'd like to thank everyone who came to see it and visited with us on our chapel day! In reading we will be working on sequencing, author's purpose, and compare/contrast. We will be learning about subjects and predicates in language arts. In writing, we have started to write our own paragraphs using our Expanded Expression Tool. The first paragraph they wrote was a descriptive paragraph. In math, we have started our chapter on subtraction and we will soon move into multiplication. We are finishing our first unit in science and will return to social studies and learn about different communities. We will be taking a field trip to meet an author in November as well.

**K – 8 students will be singing at the Festival of Trees Nov. 13 at 6 p.m. Join us there!**

## Fourth Grade with Miss Rossow

The students worked hard and had a lot of fun getting ready to lead Chapel in October. I'm very proud of them. In Ohio History, we have begun to study the ancient tribes that once lived in Ohio. Well, the highest point in Ohio is Campbell Hill. What do you know about the Serpent Mound? Math has us working on multiplication and division. Mad Minutes are our new best friend/worst enemy. Either way, the students are enjoying our flash card game. Do you remember participating in Book-It when you were in elementary school? October was the first month of the school year for it, and several fourth graders earned a free pizza! Yeah! All in all, we're working hard and eager to learn!

## Mrs. Perchikoff's Classes

5th/6th graders will be starting their first novel of the year (In the middle of October). We will be following the main characters' adventures as they try to figure out how a lightning bolt was stolen. In Science: 7/8th graders will be learning about how the processes found in the interior of Earth can shape the exterior. 5th graders will be getting into life science concepts. 6th graders are finishing up with Earth's resources. 4th graders will be learning about Earth: it's water cycle, weathering, erosion, and deposition.

## Seventh & Eighth Grade – Miss Marshall

Way back in August, we teachers took a class called "Love and Logic." This was a class about learning nine basic strategies for promoting positive discipline in the classroom and positive ways for helping students succeed. We all have put these strategies to work since then, and recently the instructor returned to follow up on how successful we are in using these strategies. So, this month has been the true test of using these strategies. Our students seem to be happy, feel loved, and mostly motivated to work hard in the classrooms; so I think it has benefited us in many ways. Grades 7 & 8 have already been to Cabin Fever (my treat) for all the extra tasks they are called upon to do for and around the school. Of course, they still have time to work on classes and homework like concrete and abstract nouns, core curriculum practice tests in pre-algebra, alliteration in spelling, 1865 and the end of the Civil War, etc. We are having a great time growing and learning during this beautiful fall season!