

# St. John School News

## Message from Mrs. Kosmerchock, Principal: “He will rejoice over you!”

I am the Lord, the God of every person on the earth. Nothing is impossible for Me. – Jeremiah 32:27.

We need to hear that God is still in control. We need to hear that it’s not over until He says so. We need to hear that life’s mishaps and tragedies are not a reason to bail out. They are simply a reason to sit tight.

Those words are not always easy to live by. How often does something happen and we want to have answers or know why? We are often disappointed – in ourselves, others, even God. I am not the first person to weep, nor are you. Through all things, God will rejoice over us as Zephaniah 3:17 says.

God is with you and me! He is cheering for us! He is shouting our names as we run the race.

When we are too tired to run the race, He will carry us! He will pick us up and fight the fight for us! I bet if He had a calendar our birthdays would be circled!

The Lord does not forget us! He is there for us through all things, rejoicing as we live this life He has blessed us with! Is it the life we thought we would have? Maybe not, but it is the life God chose for us!

Live each day rejoicing fully in Christ knowing that through all things He is there for you holding you and loving you!

Blessings,

*Mrs. Kosmerchock, Principal*

## Classroom News

### Preschool Happenings

#### Mrs. Debbie Wagner - PreK

We have had a wonderful start to the new school year! We are so excited to be using our new preschool curriculum - BIG DAY for PreK! . We are finishing up with our first unit - “Ready for School,” where we covered various topics - My School, Making Friends, Learning Together, and Getting Along. In October, we will be learning about our Families with the unit “My Family.” We will explore - Who’s In My Family, We Take Care of Each Other, Family Fun, and All Kinds of Families. For Jesus time we will learn about how God blesses our families, and we will hear bible stories about Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, and Moses. Thank you God for giving us families so that we may play, work, love and care for one another!

#### Mrs. Cavin – 3 Year Old

We have had a great start to the year! We have already learned how to walk in a line, sit still for stories, and how to open some of our own snacks! We are excited to be using the Alphafriends curriculum, and are having a great time learning to recognize letters and make Alphafriends books! We are all done with our first unit, Welcome to School, and are starting unit two, My Family, My Community. We have been reading about friendships, feelings, and making good choices. We have been honing our writing skills through journaling artwork. We have also learned about how God created the world, us, and everything else. We are learning about how God kept Noah and the animals safe in the Ark, and how he promised to never flood the entire earth again. We will continue to work our way through the Old Testament during “Jesus Time”.

## Kindergarten Happenings

### Mrs. Stottlemyer

October is such a fun time in kindergarten. The weather is cooling down so it's the perfect weather for playing. We are looking forward to our field trip to the Fire Station and learning how to read and add pumpkin style. In Jesus Time We have been learning a lot about Moses and the Israelites and their great faith journey. We have learned that God continues to love and care for us even when we are stubborn!

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## First Grade News - Mrs. Jan McGhee

Yes, we are the "First Grade"! At 16 and counting we're off to a bouncing start. The girls far outnumber the boys, so these young men will surely learn early on how to get along with young women. So much is new and exciting to the children- their very own desk, a class pet, their own Chrome book, structured gym class, and even spelling tests! My job is easy! I just need to keep that excitement happening!

## Second Grade News - Mrs. Cheryl Yoder

We have gotten into our routines in second grade. The students come in every day and know exactly what to do and get started right away. They are gearing up for pumpkin math, which they have heard about from many of the older students, and they are very excited. At the end of the month we will also begin practicing for the chapel service we lead in November. The students have been great at working together to come up with ideas to share during that time.

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## Third Grade Classroom

### Mrs. Tiffany Scheurich

We have been working hard to start off the year! In math, we have been working on adding 3 and 4 digit numbers and will soon move onto subtraction. In language arts, we have been learning about sentences and fragments and types of sentences. In religion, we have been getting ready for our chapel and discussing about God and His word. In reading, we have been discussing

- 10/3 BCDS mtg
- 10/8 EC Chapel 9:15 a.m.
- 10/9 – 12 – No School – LEA conference
- 10/14 No School -
- 10/17 3<sup>rd</sup> Grand/Visitor Chapel 8:55 a.m.
- 10/25 – End 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter
- 10/29 – Winter Athletic Mtg 6 p.m.
- 10/31 – PT Conference 3:30 – 8 p.m.

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**OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup> tentatively**

literary elements and context clues. We have also recently gotten our Chromebooks and are learning how to use them!

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## Fourth Grade Classroom

### Miss Carli Rossow

Greetings from the Buckeye State! In Ohio History, we're learning about first settlers and Indian Tribes. What happened as European Settlers started moving into the area? Did you ever read about the crazy things that happen at Wayside School? Well, stop a fourth grader and ask if he/she would like to attend that school. In math, we're sailing through addition and subtraction, but those multiplication mad minutes are a little harder. We'll be ready for multiplication and division next month. The fourth graders thoroughly enjoyed leading Chapel a few weeks ago. They're still talking about it. Thanks to everyone who joined us and helped us out!

## Sixth Grade – Ms. Santo

**Mathematics** - 5th graders will be working on multiplying whole numbers and finishing that chapter by the end of September or early October. 6th graders will be focusing on fractions, decimals, and percent and how they are related. 7th graders will be learning about percent.

**Science** - 4th and 5th graders will be learning about the engineering process and how that relates to the scientific method. 6th graders will be learning about Earth's resources: minerals, rocks, soil, and energy resources. 7th and 8th graders will be studying Earth's water.

**Fifth Grade – Miss Mews**

**5th/6th Religion** - There is always more to learn from the Bible! So far, we have discussed the tools the Bible uses to help us navigate and discover more of His Truth. The two Sacraments have also played a huge role in our discussions. What does your student know about the Lord's Supper and Holy Baptism?

**5th/6th/7th Reading** - We have explored several short stories in each class. Not only have we read them, but also we have been identifying the plot, characters, and how the setting impacts the story.

**5th/6th Writing/Grammar** - What are the two parts of a sentence? The 5th and 6th graders have that memorized as we continue to evaluate our grammar. They also could tell you the 4 types of sentences, verb tense, and the types of nouns.

**5th-8th P.E.** - Was tag getting a little boring? Students have learned the various forms of tag and challenged each other in multiple rounds. All games require a strong imagination and self-discipline to play fair.

**Seventh & Eighth Grade – Mrs. Phillips**

**7th/8th Social Studies** - We are just wrapping up learning about the various Native American tribes and cultures. Even though they are so diverse, they also have similarities that we can apply to our lives! It's always fun applying the past to the present. We will be finishing up this unit on the Americas before 1500.

**5th/6th Social Studies** - Learning about our country's different geographic features and comparing it to Ohio's is so interesting and fun! We did a little bit of this already in our Autobiography Maps at the first week of school. Reading is a hoot in this classroom because if it's a tie for the fastest hand raiser, we get to rock-paper-scissors! This keeps everyone engaged and following along with the reading. We can name different types of land features, bodies of water, climate regions, and vegetation regions.

**ELA w/ Spelling & Vocab** - We have two periods of this, so we're finally getting into the groove of things. The 7th graders and I are together for the first one while the 8th graders are doing their study hall and vice versa. We are learning about the different types of sentences, nouns, and verbs.

**Math** - Most class periods we start with playing Gimkit to bring ourselves into the mathematical world. We enjoy earning money and freezing our fellow classmates until time runs out. We are currently learning about scientific notation and how to compute that. Later, we'll be learning about square roots.

**ATHLETIC NEWS...**

**Please help us earn more money at our Volleyball tournament on October 19th. We are asking for donations to increase our profits. Our goal is to purchase new basketball equipment this year and with your help we will be able to accomplish**

**VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT  
CONCESSION DONATIONS NEEDED****The following donations are needed**

<b>96 bun size hotdogs</b>	<b>12 pkg. Hotdog buns</b>
<b>1 cases canned chicken</b>	<b>12 pkg Hamburg buns</b>
<b>20 lbs Hamburger</b>	<b>12 bags frito chips</b>

**12 oz bottles - 8 Pks**

<b>4 - Pepsi</b>	<b>4 - Mountain Dew</b>	<b>4 - Diet Dew</b>
<b>4 - Diet Pepsi</b>	<b>2 - Sierra Mist</b>	<b>4 - Dr. Pepper</b>
<b>6 - Blue Gatorade</b>	<b>6 - Red Gatorade</b>	<b>6 - Purple Gatorade</b>
<b>4 cases Water</b>		

**SCRIP NEWS:** Don't forget to purchase gift cards for all your shopping, dining and fuel needs! The program is simple! You purchase gift cards and are able to use your rebate for school purchases.