



# SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

### August 31, 2023

### **A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

As we begin another school year let's reflect on our communication skills. We need to communicate to our children, teachers, staff, coworkers.. the list goes on and on. Communication is based on both talking and listening. In James 1:19 we read; "My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry." This is good advice to have good communication. Being a good listener makes the other person feel their views and feelings have been validated. It is not passive but requires effort to discern what's really being expressed. Our Lord will help us if we call upon Him to help us become better communicators and listeners.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**REFER-A-STUDENT** – Remember if you refer a student to Salem for this year and they enroll, you'll receive a \$200 discount on your tuition. Unlimited referrals.

**FED ON HIS WORD-** Each week we are given the opportunity to hear the preaching of His Word. Together, we rejoice as we share in the fellowship of our Lord, and we respond to worship as His Called People of Faith. Please encourage your child to attend both Church and Sunday School each week to enable them to know more about Jesus. Sunday School at Salem is at 9:15 am.

**PRAYER FAMILIES-** Each day we pray for all of our students and their families. It has long been a custom of our school to divide our families each year by the number of school weeks and especially pray for them in our morning devotions. **Allgaier and Wiegand**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE-** Please have your news items in by noon on Tuesdays. Thank you!



**CHAPEL OFFERINGS** Collection date \$30.88

**RADON TESTING:** Salem Lutheran Church and School has recently been tested for Radon. This is a test performed every 3 years. Results are in the office for anyone interested in looking at the results.

### Upcoming Events:

**August 31- First Volleyball Team Practice**

**Sept. 1- Spirit Wear Friday**

**Sept. 4- NO SCHOOL- Labor Day**

**Sept. 5- volleyball practice**

**Sept. 7- volleyball practice**

**Sept. 21- Pack the House at Leo's Pizza**

**Sept. 22- Preschool/Kindergarten Field Trip to the Springfield Zoo**



**LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS:** Looking for a way to add hours to your service hours? The library is looking for volunteers on Monday's from Noon to 3:00 pm. If you would be interested, please call Loretta Scheller at (636)544-3786.



We are excited to announce the return of Volleyball!! Salem will have a coed team this year. Mrs. Jackie Steinacher will lead the team. Parent notes were sent out this week with practice and game schedules to follow. Interested students in Grades 3-8 should attend the first practice August 31- TODAY!!



On Fridays, students are encouraged to show their school spirit! Wear your favorite Salem Spirit Wear shirt or hoody.

## JUST A FEW REMINDERS:



\*If you are dropping students off BEFORE 7:50 CAR LINES, use the roundabout on Beecher Ave and have them go to early morning care. DO NOT drop them UNATTENDED at the FRONT door.

\*We have EARLY RELEASE every FRIDAY. All students are released at 1:15. Aftercare is available until 5:30 as usual.



Do you know how easy it is to "snip" Box Tops to help Salem? It is ALL DIGITAL! Attached are the instructions for getting started!

Collect them for Salem today!



### WEEKLY LUNCH MENU –

Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup> – Chocolate Chip Waffles, String Cheese, Peaches, Roasted Potatoes and Milk

Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> – WG cheese Pizza, Veggie Pasta Salad, String Cheese Apple and Milk

Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> – No School

## NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS–

PRESCHOOL Pre-K2 News from Ms. Hathaway and Ms. Sharrow: This week in Pre-K2 we are learning about the story of Adam and Eve. We had the students work on using fine motor skills by gluing red pieces of paper onto a picture of an apple. They really enjoyed this! This week's "letter of the week" is A. Students will get to practice coloring and attempting to trace the letter A, while we talk about what objects start with that letter. Students will learn a new letter each week so look in their back-packs for some fun crafts/learning activities to help work with them at home as well! We are having such a great time!



## PRESCHOOL Pre-K3 News from Mrs. Blayre

Petri: Learning Focus "All about me" This week the students are learning about what makes them unique from others. The books we are reading this week are, "On the Night You were born", "My Body", "Me and My Family Tree", and "I Like Myself"! We will be making family trees out of our handprints and making themselves out of paper plates. We will travel to the library on Wednesday for story time and craft. Every day during morning meeting we talk about the calendar, weather, the focus letter and number of the week (F and 1), and work on identifying their own name and the letters in it. God Bless, Mrs. Petri

## PRESCHOOL Pre-K4 News from Mrs. Mindy

Lysaythong: Learning Focus: Me and My School This week's learning focus is "Me and My School". The students are learning about the importance of school and friends. They will make a friendship bracelet, school house with shapes, and homemade watermelon ice-cream! We will celebrate Friday with our "Show & Share" family collage and watermelon ice-cream on a cone! Last week's learning focus was "Me and My Family"! The students discussed about their families, drew a family portrait, and together created a family bar graph. During morning meeting the students analyzed the graph, answered open-ended questions about families, and at the same time learned about numbers!



## Kindergarten News from Mrs. Audrey Sprinkel:

This week has been wonderful! This week we are learning about who is in our family, our 5 senses, and being a good citizen. We have created a family portrait and talked about things we like to do with our family. We are gearing up to learn more about our 5 senses in science. We will be doing some experiments in science to learn more about how our senses work. In social studies, we are learning what it

means to be a good citizen, how we have rights and responsibilities, and how working together, we can accomplish many things. In religion we are talking about how God created us and loves us. Students have been exploring this idea, and we have talked about how God loves us so much that He sent His only son to die on the cross for us. Kindergarten is so excited to explore the library some more this week, and can't wait to explore new art materials this week in art.

### **1<sup>st</sup> & 2nd Grade News from Mrs. Deborah**

**Steinacher:** For the week of September 5, memory from the memory book for first grade will be #3 and memory for second grade will be #43-44. In religion we will be learning about when God gives Abraham and Sarah a son. In reading and spelling we will be on unit 1.3. In spelling we will continue to work with short vowel words. In reading we will be reading some fictional stories. While we are reading we will learn about the main characters, the setting, and the problems in the stories. We will also relate the stories to ourselves. In math we will be adding two digit numbers with regrouping, creating similar shapes, measuring length, and looking for pattern when we are problem solving. In social studies we will be learning about the leaders we have at home, at school, and in our community. In science we are continuing to learn about the life stages of people. We will be learning about the characteristics of elderly adults. We would like to thank Carlee for providing us with our afternoon snack next week. The class greatly appreciates their snack break with a good book. The next classroom calendar will be coming out soon. Thank you for always checking it to see what is happening. Have a wonderful week! God's blessing to everyone.

### **3<sup>rd</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade News from Mrs. Jacqueline**

**Steinacher:** It has been a wonderful start to the school year! We have been diving right in with reviewing the states of the United States. We will be reviewing the Southeast region this week, with a quiz on Friday. We are also finishing up our unit on communities. In Science, we are continuing our unit on astronomy. There will also be a quiz on the scientific method on Friday. In Math, we are working through units 16-20, which covers addition and subtraction of

3-digit numbers, place value, and rounding. In Spelling, we are on List 2, with a spelling test on Friday. In Language, we are reviewing types of sentences and subjects/predicates. In Reading, we are in Unit 1, Week 2; where we learn about different fables and realistic fiction. We thank Jaxon for our snacks this week. Have a wonderful rest of the week! God's Blessings, Mrs. Steinacher.

### **6th & 8th Grade News from Ms. Joy Reitsma:**

Middle School has been busy this week. We have been learning algebraic forms in math, and reviewing basic grammar and essay writing in Language Arts. In science we have covered the basic structure of the human body from cells to systems. In history we have reviewed the basic components of studying cultures and civilizations. We are preparing to do a silk painting in art, and have reviewed basic note reading in music. Next week the students will join with the church volunteers in delivering doorbell dinners.