

St. Peter Lutheran School News

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TRANSFORMED FOR EXCELLENCE!

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Our theme for this school year is **Transformed for Excellence** based on Romans 12:2 and Philippians 4:8-9. Romans 12:2 reads “Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.” Philippians 4:8-9 says, “Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.”

Excellence

As we transform our way of thinking, this month we look at excellence (ESV) or what is excellent (NIV). Excellence is the fact or condition of excelling, superiority, surpassing goodness, merit, etc. We are to think about excellent things. In Titus 3:4-8, Paul tells us that we receive the grace of God by what God has done for us. He saved us. It has nothing to do with what we have done. It is not about us or our excellence. “He saved us

through the washing of rebirth and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ, our Savior, so that having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying. And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.” Our ways are not excellent but the most excellent way is through love. (1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:3) We may have all sorts of gifts or talents, but if we do not have love, we gain nothing. God demonstrated His love for us by sending Jesus to suffer and die on the cross to take away our sins and rose on Sunday morning. That’s excellent! It is about the love God has for us that we are to share with others through what we say, how we act, and what we do. As we observe Good Friday and Easter, think about the excellence God demonstrated in these two events and go share that good news. That would be excellent!



PRAYER LIST

Each week the faculty lifts up a couple of families in our school in prayer during our morning devotions. The following families will be in our prayers for this month:

Week of March 31-April 4

The families of Sandra Roblero and Carl Rose

Week of April 7-11

The families of Matthew Schroll and Jorgie Shepherd

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Week of April 14-18

The families of Leo Shorter and Jonah & Mattan Sievers

Week of April 21-25

The families of Emma Sims and Annika Smith

Week of April 28-May 2

The families of Haydyn Smolek and Angelina Stacy

Bible Verse for the Month

“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

Romans 12:21



EXTENDED DAY

An email was sent out the week before spring break, sharing the plan for making up the three extra snow days we acquired this year. We will use all the built in snow days and add 30 minutes to each day beginning Wednesday, April 9th. The school buses will be delivering the children home one half hour later than they are now.

The morning 4 year old Preschool class will also have their day extended to make up some of the time they have missed. They will come at the regular time and will be dismissed at 11:15. The afternoon class will begin at 11:45 and dismiss at 2:45.

Preschool Registration

Preschool registration for next school year will begin on Wednesday,

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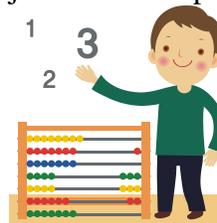
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April 9th and Thursday, April 10 from 8:30-11:30 for currently enrolled families and members of the congregation in the school office. An open house to the public will be on Tuesday, April 15 at 6:00 PM.



Chapel Change

We are making two chapel changes this month. Chapel has been changed from April 9th to April 11th at 8:30 due the 1st and 2nd grade field trip to the Chellburg farm. Since we are going to school on Good Friday, we are changing chapel from April 16th to April 18th at 1:00 to focus on Jesus' suffering and death and the forgiveness of sins we receive by this suffering. You are always welcome to join us for chapel.



Math-a-thon

Thank you to everyone who is doing the math and collecting money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital! We have done Math-a-thon for the past 15 years and St. Peter Lutheran School has raised almost \$26,000 to help the patients of St. Jude and their families! Thank you for letting your lights shine and sharing God's love with others! Collection envelopes and money need to be returned by Friday, April 11.

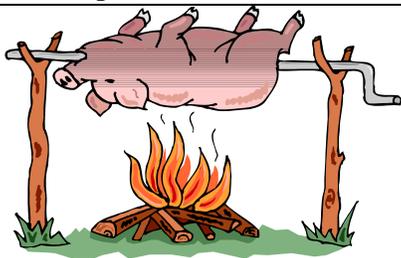
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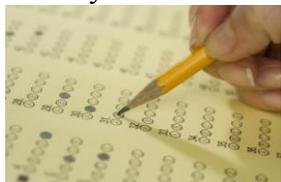
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Hog Roast

The annual Hog Roast will be on Friday, April 25 from 4:30-6:30 PM. The profits from the hog roast will go toward the computer fund. This fund covers our lease agreement for our laptops, supplies, and software licenses. We are asking each family to sell five tickets for this event. Your help in the kitchen preparing for the event and serving at the event is greatly desired. Your support in all of these areas would be greatly appreciated. Just contact the school office or your child's teacher.



ISTEP+ and IREAD Testing

The second portion of the ISTEP+ testing will begin the week of April 28. Children in grades 3-8 will be taking the Multiple Choice portion of the test. The Multiple Choice portion of the test will be taken on computer. With the test being taken by computer, all the children may not be taking the test the same days. But everyone will be taking the test between April 28 and May 9. You can help your child's success with the test by making sure he/she gets

plenty of rest and a nutritious breakfast each day.



HOOPS FOR HEART RESULTS

Mr. Uffmann reported that the students who participated in the fundraising for the American Heart Association raised about \$600. Half of the donation will be matched by Thrivent Financial. This means we will be sending about \$900 to help children with heart defects. Thank you, Mr. Uffmann, for taking charge of this event.



SCRIP

SCRIP is a gift card program our school participates in where you purchase the gift cards for face value but the school generates a profit from 1.5% to 20%. We then give you a portion of the profits to go towards tuition, the computer fund, scholarship fund, church general fund, etc.

We keep over 60 different merchant gift cards in stock. You can see a complete list (8 pages) at glscrip.com that can be ordered.

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If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Lambert.

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