

Wednesday News

Wednesday, January 31, 2024



FIRST LUTHERAN
SCHOOL



<u>Principal's Message</u>	<u>This Week at a Glance, etc.</u>	
<p>Like last year we are going to hold an Open House at our school. Postcards will be sent out to residents in Elkhorn and Delavan. They should be arriving in mailboxes early February. The date for the big day is Sunday, February 25 from 1:30-2:30. Before then we will be sharing with you a request for snacks and volunteers. We will need willing folks on the 25th to serve as greeters, guides, supervisors of an activity area, and supervisor of snacks. Please mark that special day on your calendars. Help to grow our school so more children can hear God's Word.</p>	Wed., Jan 31	Cheer Practice - 4 - 5 p.m.
	Thurs., Feb. 1	Basketball @ home vs Oakhill B: 4:30 p.m. A: 5:30 p.m.
	Fri. Feb. 2	Jimmy John's lunch Robotics - 3 - 5 p.m.
	Tues., Feb. 6	Basketball @ Lake Geneva vs. Faith B team & 7th graders: 4:00 p.m.
	Wed., Feb. 7	Toddler Open Gym - 9-10:30 a.m. Robotics - 3 - 5 p.m.
	Fri., Feb. 9	Pep Rally - 1:30 p.m. Basketball & Cheer Party - 3 - 5 p.m.
	Wed., Feb. 14	Grades 5-8 sing - Ash Wednesday Service - 6:30 p.m.

<u>Wrap-Around Care</u>	<u>FRIDAY LUNCH</u>
<p>Director: Mrs. Sandy Christian Hours: 6:30-7:20 a.m. and 10:45-6:00 p.m. Contact: 262-949-5094 or sjchristian60@gmail.com WEB: firstelkhorn.com/school</p> <p>Parents: Invoices sent Monday. 1/22 are due this week Fri. 1/26. Thank you.</p> <p>PROCARE TAX STATEMENTS: Families enrolled in WAC and using the Procure billing app, can access the app themselves to view & print their year-end tax statement using the Procure app.</p> <p>***Children should bring their own water bottles daily.</p>	<p>This Friday, we will be offering Jimmy John's for lunch. Order forms are coming home today and are due to your child's teacher by noon on Thursday. Late orders cannot be accepted. Please review the order form coming home. Please circle the sandwich you wish to order. Please circle potato chips on the form if you would like potato chips with your sandwich. Please indicate on the bottom of the form your payment method - cash/check or student account. Please make checks payable to "First Lutheran School."</p>

School News

SPIRIT WEEK

Spirit Week is next week! February 5-9!

Monday-Pajama Day

Tuesday-Future Job Day

Wednesday-
Wacky Wednesday!

THURSDAY-SPORT/SPORT
TEAM DAY

Friday-Blue and White Day

Mark your calendars for the Pep Rally on Friday, February 9th at 1:30pm.

SCHOOL RE-ACCREDITATION

Our school is accredited. That's quite an achievement. It is time to get re-accredited. We did that in 2018. This happens every seven years. We will be asking lots of folks to be volunteers to help with this process. The last time we had over 40 people involved on various committees.

FOOD DRIVE

Please see the display across from the office. A food drive is being held for married seminary students at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. First Lutheran School alumni Jacob Schwark is a student at the seminary. Your support is appreciated!

REPORT CARDS

Report cards were sent home last week Wednesday. Please be sure to sign the envelope and return it to your child's teacher. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher .

ACADEMIC FAIR

This year we will be preparing a social studies fair. The date for this will be Friday, March 8, from 6:00-7:00. The information packets for the students in grades 5-8 were sent home last week. Information packets from grades 5K, 3-4 were sent home last week. Watch for information sent home from 1st and 2nd.

EMERGENCY LUNCHES & SNACKS

We are almost out of emergency lunches (Easy Mac) and snacks. Please remember if you use an emergency meal, please replace it so there is always supply on hand. Thank you!

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

In the event of snow or cold emergencies, First Lutheran will always follow the call of the Elkhorn Area School District. Milwaukee area TV and radio stations will spread the word. Watch for our Facebook posts as well. Remember, if school is closed for the day, or closes early, after school activities are also canceled.

SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAM

An email is being sent to all school families. It is that time of year when online applications are to be filled out by families who may qualify for WPCP (Wisconsin Parental Choice Program)

RUMMAGE SALE

The First Lutheran Youth Group will be putting on a Rummage Sale (February 23-25) in order to raise funds to get to the WELS International Youth Rally in Colorado.

Please start setting aside items that you would like to donate. A designated item drop-off day will occur on February 16th & 18th. More details to come later!

BOWLING

First Lutheran Church would like to invite our school families to join us at Delavan Lanes on Sunday, February 11th at 1:00pm for some fun, fellowship, strikes, spares, and maybe a few turkeys! Cost is \$8 per person (shoes included) payable at the bowling alley that day. **PLEASE** sign up before the event; sign-up sheet is on the brown door

First Lutheran Athletics

BASKETBALL

🏀 1/25 vs. WSD

Although the B-team lost the first game, we had an amazing performance of our combination of B-team players and the 7th grade boys for the second game - for the win!

🏀 1/23 vs. Delavan Christian

A tough loss for the B-team, but we worked hard to pass, rebound, and shoot. The A-team did a great job of working together and came away with a win! Way to go Badgers!

🏀 Thursday is our last home game in Elkhorn. We would love to fill the stands with fans! It will also be the last chance to get concessions and support our team in raising funds for buying new uniforms!

🏀 Basketball & Cheer party are scheduled for after school on Pep Rally Day! We will have games & activities, followed by a potluck meal.

📅 For our full basketball schedule, with updates, please click here: [2023-24 Basketball Schedule](#)

CHEER

🏆 Next practice: Wednesday, January 31 from 4-5pm.

🏆 Pep Rally time is almost here! Games and activities are getting set for Friday, February 9th, at 1:30pm.

📧 Text [Rachel Nolte](mailto:Rachel.Nolte@slhs.us): 920-242-1916 or [Leah Bongard](mailto:Leah.Bongard@slhs.us): 414-322-2169, with any questions.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

The school athletic calendar is a Google Calendar. You can access up to date information through our website - click on school - athletics. Or, if you already use a Google calendar on your phone or computer, you can access the information by syncing the calendar *FLS Athletics* to yours. If you have questions, please contact the office.

Look cool and show off your school!

Order your First Lutheran School Gear and athletic Badger logo from MyLocker. We receive a commission on sales.

<https://www.spiritshop.com/school/wisconsin/elkhorn/first-lutheran-school>

EXTRA- CURRICULARS

PIANO

🎹 The Shoreland Music Festival is coming up on Sat. March 2nd! Informational sheets went home yesterday after practice.

🎹 We will pick out a piece to work on this week so you will know the title to enter on the form. This festival is for 5th-8th graders, but also anyone who has taken piano lessons for longer than a year. This is an option for your kids, not mandatory, but I believe it's a good learning experience to play in front of a judge and other people when possible.

🎵 *Sarah Dobberstein*: 262-903-4158

BAND

🎵 Practices are on Wednesdays. Remember your instrument and music!

🎵 Please continue to keep Mr. Wordell in your prayers. He will be undergoing chemo treatments again to fight the cancer cells in his bone marrow.

✉️: wordellk@slhs.us

ROBOTICS

🤖 Our next practice is February 2, from 3-5pm.

🤖 Team 415E also managed to qualify for the WI State Championship! Congratulations to Noah K., Emilie L., and Joshua N.!

How Can I Help My School?

To help with non-budgeted expenses, First Lutheran School participates in a couple of ways to raise funds:

**Scan your receipts using the app!
Or, have it done in the office!**



Shop with Scrip is now



by ShopWithScrip

Many cards are available in the office, you can place an order through the office or online. Please contact the office for our Enrollment code.

Please contact the office with questions.

Your support is appreciated!

Classroom News

Mrs. Kuehl: 4K

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For Show and Tell this week, please bring an item of your choice that will fit into the Mystery Box!• Please note that next week we will celebrate School Spirit Week as we wrap up the basketball season for the year. Check the School News section of this Newsletter for the special dress up days!• Please return the signed report card envelope if you have not already done so... | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In our Bible lesson this week we see Jesus miraculously feeding a crowd of over 5,000 people with just one boy's small lunch! We also learn about Jesus teaching Peter to trust in Him as Peter walks on water for a time, just like Jesus miraculously was able to do. Both of these lessons once again show Jesus' almighty power as the Son of God.• Watch for a special letter in your child's folder regarding our February 14th celebration of Valentine's Day! |
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Mrs. Kuehl: Kindergarten

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For Show and Tell this week, please bring an item of your choice that will fit into the Mystery Box!• Information regarding the upcoming K-8th Social Studies Fair to be held on Friday, March 8th was sent home last week. The blue sheet may be returned AT ANY TIME UP TO THE DATE on the top to indicate the topic your child has chosen.• Check in the main part of the Newsletter for next week's Spirit Week information! Have fun dressing up in special ways next week!• Please return the signed report card envelope if you have not already done so. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In our Bible Lessons this week we see Jesus use His almighty power to "share" a young boy's lunch with more than 5,000 people. His almighty power is also evident when He walks on water toward His disciples who are in a boat and invites Peter to do the same. When Peter's trust falters and he begins to sink, Jesus saves Him, teaching Him to believe more fully in His Lord and Savior.• Watch for a special letter in your child's folder regarding our February 14th celebration of Valentine's Day! Also, barring any snow days, we will be observing the 100th day of school on February 15th!• We are practicing counting change to 99 cents using ONLY pennies, nickels, and dimes as we buy cookies from our Bakery. We just added one 50 cent piece to the mix as a substitute for 5 dimes. |
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Mrs. Szmanda: Grades 1-2

- Christ Light this week: The Bronze Snake and Balaam Blesses the Israelites. We give glory to God by thanking, loving, honoring, praising, and obeying him.
- Spelling: y at the end of words making the long i and long e sound
- Math: polygons, congruent figures, symmetry
- February is full of activities: Spirit Week, Valentine's Day, 100th day, Dental Health month, President's Day and more! Please see the note in your child's folder for more information about these special days!
- Clothing related: the temperature in our room can fluctuate. I would suggest each child have a sweatshirt or sweater he/she can wear if they are cold during the day. Thank you!

Miss Buelow: Grades 3-4

- Fourth grade has SHARE on Friday.
- Third grade is reviewing x2, x5 and x10.
- Fourth grade is multiplying by 2 digit numbers.
- We are studying healthy living and good nutrition in science. The students are discussing and analyzing balanced meals.
- If you have any questions, you can reach me at 414-550-7304 or missbuelow@firstatthecross.com.
- WARNING: We will be painting during art class on Friday.

Mrs. Lahmann: Grades 5-6

*******Needed*******

Please save your empty paper towel, TP rolls, and gently used paint sticks to use in a future collaboration. AND...more disinfecting wipes.

Thank you for your help!

Christ Light/Catechism: *Crossing the Red Sea* and *Quail and Manna*. We will wrap up our discussion on the Ten Commandments and make a bitstrip.

Math: Writing mixed numbers, multiplying decimal numbers, circle graphs, and a test. *Each math problem assigned is now worth two points. One point for work shown and one point for the correct answer.

Grammar: Recognizing words with silent letters, diagramming sentences with direct objects and adjectives.

Science: We will finish our chapter on resources, make recycled paper, and begin a project on resources that will last a couple of weeks.

History: We are taking a pause on our textbook to focus on the Social Studies Fair reports/projects.

Collaboration: Toothpick bridges.

Question or concerns?
mrslahmann@firstatthecross.com

262-573-6710

Mrs. Kuschel

$\frac{5}{6}$ Reading: *The City of Ember* By: Jeanne DuPrau

Lina and Doon are searching the Pipeworks for a hidden door that might lead out of Ember. Will they succeed?

$\frac{5}{6}$ Art:

The students will finish painting their MLK portrait, using tints and shades. Projects will be mounted on a complementary colored paper and displayed in the hallway.

$\frac{5}{6}$ Creative Writing:

Final drafts and checklists are getting finished this week for the student's clay sculpture stories.

Physical Education:

K-8: Finishing Basketball Unit

$\frac{7}{8}$ Creative Writing: *Valentines for Veterans*

Final drafts are being finished up today! The valentines will be sent out this week to Wisconsin Veterans Homes.

$\frac{7}{8}$ Literature: *The Bronze Bow* By: Elizabeth George Speare

Daniel's anger got the best of him and now all his efforts with Leah seem to be for naught. What will life be like now for these siblings?

$\frac{7}{8}$ Art:

Our neurographic art project is concluding. Look for these masterpieces displayed up in the hallway!

★ Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you might have.

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Mr. Falk: Grades 7-8

- Our Old Testament readings are revealing God's plan for the Israelites when they were slaves in Egypt. God finally answered their prayers and showed once again that He always keeps His promises.
- The math lessons this week deal with such topics as using averages, finding surface area of geometric solids, and working with angles formed when a transversal intersects two parallel lines.

- If you have questions or need to share information, you may contact me at 989-415-9421 or mrfalk@firstatthecross.com
- In history class the students are learning about the Great Depression and the New Deal. History can inform students about mistakes to avoid like the debt that ruined people financially in the stock market crash. They also learn the pros and cons of expanded government spending.