

Wednesday News

Wednesday, November 1, 2023



FIRST LUTHERAN
SCHOOL



<u>Principal's Message</u>	<u>This Week at a Glance, etc.</u>	
<p>While the students had off last Thursday and Friday, the teachers were busy. We attended the annual Wisconsin Lutheran State Teachers Conference. There were several benefits for the Lord's kingdom. We worshiped together several times, feasting on the nourishment of God's Word. The staff heard three keynote speakers who shared motivating messages to encourage us in our ministry. We also each attended three sectionals on various educational topics.</p>	Fri., Nov. 3	Subway lunch End of 1st Quarter Grades 5-8 - Seminary Visit & Nature Walk Robotics: 3-5:30pm
	Sat., Nov. 4	Thanks & Giving Festival 9:30-11:30 a.m.
	Mon., Nov. 6	Veterans Day lunch & program - 11:45 a.m.
	Wed., Nov. 8	Report Cards sent home Grades 5-6 to "Beyond King Tut" Grades 7-8 to SLHS for "Pacer for a Day" Robotics: 3-5:30pm
	Thurs., Nov. 9	Cheerleading Practice (Gr.4-8): 4-5pm Boys & Girls- Intro to Basketball (Gr.4-8) 4-5pm (ELK)
	Fri., Nov. 10	Grades 1-8 to SLHS for musical
	Sun., Nov. 12	Grades 3-8 sing/handbells - 10:30 service Principal/Grade 7-8 teacher call meeting - 9:15 a.m.
	Mon., Nov. 13	NO SCHOOL - Parent/Teacher Conferences
	Tues., Nov. 14	Basketball Practice (A&B): 4-5:30pm (Location-TBD)

<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 Mon. 10/30 are due this week Fri. 11/3. Thank you.</p> <p>***Children should bring their own water bottles daily.</p>	<p>This week Friday will be a Subway lunch day. Forms are coming home today with each student. Completed forms (and money if you do not have a student account) are due by 2:40 p.m. (end of school) on Thursday. Please indicate on the bottom of the form your payment method - cash/check or student account. Please make checks payable to "First Lutheran School." Please note that late orders cannot be accepted.</p>

School News

2024-2025 SLHS Application

Shoreland's admission application opens on November 1, 2023. If you are interested in having the opportunity for your student to attend SLHS in the 2024-2025 school year, apply as soon as possible! New student inquiries are at a record high and it is expected that there will be more applicants than available spots in most grade levels. The application can be found on our website, slhs.us, under the Admissions tab or by visiting <https://mytads.com/a/shoreland>

*The next Shoreland Lutheran High School Open House will be **Monday, December 4 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** Families and students will have the opportunity to take a guided tour and learn more about Shoreland's curriculum, STEM Academy, activities and meet teachers. [Click here to register and schedule your tour!](#)*

Thanks & Giving Festival

Our annual **Thanks & Giving Festival** will be held this Sat., November 4th from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

This year's recipient of festival proceeds will be Fellow Mortals Wildlife Hospital.



All are invited to attend this event which includes food, activities & a presentation by two Fellow Mortals representatives. We will be having a silent auction where the proceeds will go to support Fellow Mortals. A sneak peek of some of the items are in the narthex! Invite friends!

Thank you for helping us help others!

SPECIAL MEALS

A form came home to sign up for the special meals. If your child is interested in the special meals, please fill out and return the form to the office by Friday, November 3rd.

4K & K CLASSROOM "FEEDS THE TURKEY!"

The entire school is invited to help our classroom collect non-perishable food items for the 5K children to deliver to the Elkhorn Food Pantry on Friday, November 3rd. Thank you in advance for your help!

END OF FIRST QUARTER

The end of the first quarter is next Friday, November 3rd. Report cards will be sent home on Wednesday, November 8. Conferences will be scheduled for Monday, November 13 from noon - 7 p.m. We will be using an online sign-up. The link for signing up will be in next Wednesday's newsletter.

SCHOOL CHOICE PARENTS

If you would care to attend an FLS Board of Christian Education meeting, it will be held on Mon., Nov. 20 at 6PM

First Lutheran Athletics

BASKETBALL

- 🏀 Practices begin November 9th!
- Is your son or daughter interested in playing basketball? ALL students interested in playing basketball (*both boys & girls, grades 4-8th*) should come to our first practice on **11/9** from **4-5pm** at the FLS Elkhorn gym. This practice will help the coaches figure out A & B teams, and if we have enough players for Boys B and Girls B teams.
- 🏀 Be sure to have your child bring appropriate basketball shoes (gym shoes) and shorts.
- 🏀 Depending on numbers, future practices may be held either at the FLS Elkhorn gym - OR - the FLS Lake Geneva gym.
- 🏀 Look for an email from Mrs. Kuschel with more details.

CHEER

- 📣 Practices begin on Nov. 9th from 4-5pm.
- 📣 Girls in grades 4-8 should gather in the church narthex.
- 📣 Text Rachel Nolte: 920-242-1916 or Leah Bongard: 414-322-2169, by Nov. 7th if your daughter is interested so that they can update contact information.

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>

Another option available is if you have a specific item(s) you would like embroidered, our school logo is available at a local embroidery shop. Please contact the office with questions.

<p align="center"><u>EXTRA-CURRICULARS</u></p>	<p align="center"><u>How Can I Help My School?</u></p>
<p><u>PIANO</u> Piano Lessons are on Tuesdays. Students should remember to bring their books.</p> <p><u>BAND/STRINGS</u> Continue to keep our band director, Keith Wordell, in your prayers. He is still under treatment for his cancer. While he is recuperating, the band program has been suspended until the second semester in January.</p> <p><u>ROBOTICS</u>  Next meeting for Robotics will be held on Friday, Nov.3, from 3-5:30pm in the mezzanine.  If your child is interested in joining Robotics, please contact Rachel Nolte.</p>	<p align="center">To help with non-budgeted expenses, First Lutheran School participates in a couple of ways to raise funds:</p> <p align="center">Scan your receipts using the app! Or, have it done in the office!</p> <p align="center">  </p> <p align="center"> Shop with Scrip is now  <small>by ShopWithScrip</small> </p> <p align="center">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.</p> <p align="center">Please contact the office with questions.</p> <p align="center"><i>Your support is appreciated!</i></p>

Classroom News

Mrs. Kuehl: 4K

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Show and Tell on Friday, please bring another realistic looking animal that could live in or near our Wisconsin forest tree. • In our mornings with the kindergartners we are learning about some forest animals that are native to Wisconsin. We have “planted” a big tree in our classroom and hope to fill it and the area around it, as well as the “pond” near it, with realistic looking animals to help us remember the wildlife in Wisconsin forests! • Cold weather is here! Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Boots and snow pants are now needed for outdoor play. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In our Bible lessons, we have learned that God gave His children special rules to follow in the 10 commandments. We also see how God brought them safely back to the land of Canaan after many years away. • Please keep an eye out for “Tom the Turkey” as we work to “feed” his tummy with non-perishable food items to benefit the Elkhorn Food Pantry this month! To spread out the fun for our class, we have found it enjoyable to bring an item per day so we can feed him more often, but if it works better to bring your donation all at once, that works, too! Thank you SO much for helping us share our blessings with our community! |
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Mrs. Kuehl: Kindergarten

- For Show and Tell on Friday, please bring another realistic animal that could live in or near our Wisconsin forest tree!
- In our Bible Lessons this week we learned how and why God gave His children the 10 Commandments. We also learned how God brought them back to the promised land after their lengthy wandering in the wilderness.
- Cold weather is here! Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Boots and snow pants are now needed for outdoor play.
- We are enjoying singing our patriotic songs with the older children in our school as we prepare to celebrate Veteran's Day with some of those who have served our country over the years!
- We have been learning a bit about Martin Luther and his role in bringing people back to the true teachings of the Bible. God's timing is amazing and we thank Him for those who share His true message with us!
- Please keep an eye out for "Tom the Turkey" as we work to "feed" his tummy with non-perishable food items to benefit the Elkhorn Food Pantry this month! If you are planning to donate several items, we have found it enjoyable to bring one item per day so we can "feed" him more often, but if it works better to bring your donation all at once, that works, too! Thank you SO much for helping us share our blessings with our community!
- The 5K children will be delivering the food collected. We will be needing to borrow several larger, clean wagons in order to transport our items to the food pantry on November 21st. Please speak with Mrs. Kuehl if you have one we could borrow, and bring it to school on Friday, November 18, so that we can ready our collection for delivery!

Mrs. Szmanda: Grades 1-2

- Bible Lessons: Jacob and Laban and Jacob Returns to Canaan. Like Jacob we fully rely on God for all our bodily and spiritual needs.
- This week's reading and activities: Wrapping up bats; beginning Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving
- Social Studies: We have made 3-D models of the landforms. They will be displayed in the narthex this weekend instead of last weekend.
- Spelling this week: Ways to spell long /a/
Open syllables ending with a; VCe (vowel consonant e)
- Snowy days have arrived! Students will be going outside unless the temperature/wind chill is below 0. Please send coat, hat, mittens, snow pants and boots to school every day in a separate bag. Please dry wet clothes every night. Consider sending two pair of mittens so if they get wet during first recess, there is a backup pair for the second. Thanks for all the extra work!
- S'More Basket: Thank you to everyone who brought something for our silent auction basket! There are still a few things left on the list for those who haven't contributed yet. Please check your email for the spreadsheet sent out last Tuesday. Please bring these by tomorrow if possible, or Friday.



Miss Buelow: Grades 3-4

- Third grade will have SHARE on Friday.
 - Please remember the students need boots and snow clothing on wet, snowy days.
 - Third graders should review subtraction facts. Fourth graders should review multiplication and division facts
- If you have any questions, you can reach me at 414-550-7304 or missbuelow@firstatthecross.com.

Mrs. Lahmann: Grades 5-6

- **Christlight/Catechism:** We are studying Martin Luther and the Reformation.
 - **5th Math:** Multiplying three factors and missing factors, relationship between multiplication and division.
 - **6th Math:** Average, line graphs, factors, and prime numbers
 - **Grammar:** The Essay: Body Paragraphs
 - **Science:** Taking a pause to focus on history project
 - **History:** Students are choosing an area of Egyptian history that they want to know more about and making a slide presentation about it. We will spend several weeks to complete this project. Then, we are going on a field trip in Nov. to see *Beyond King Tut The Immersive Experience!*
 - **Music:** Rhythm to the song, "Button You Must Wander"
- **Collaboration:** Working in groups, the students will design a Lego structure that will race down a zipline.
 - **Memory Work:**
 - 10/31: The 4th Commandment
 - 11/01: Proverbs 3:5
 - 11/02: Ephesians 4:24
 - **7 & 8 Science:** Convection currents, drifting continents, and sea floor spreading.
 - Question or concerns?
 - mrsilahmann@firstatthecross.com
 - 262-573-6710

Mrs. Kuschel

- **5/6 Reading:** *Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli
Jeffery Magee has now visited both the West End and East End. Will he ever find a place to call home? Students have been working on character comparison charts and chapter questions.
- **5/6 Creative Writing:** Silly Story Starter #2
Since it has been a little bit since we had Creative Writing, the students warmed up their imaginations by writing a silly short story.
- **5/6 Art:** Christmas Ornaments
Did you know that First Lutheran School has a Christmas tree on display at the Fair Grounds? The students are helping paint ornaments to decorate that tree.
- **Physical Education:**
K-2: Head, Shoulder, Knees, & Cones
3-8: Pickleball Unit
- **7/8 Creative Writing:** Patriot's Pen
The students submitted their essays yesterday! They all worked very hard during this writing process: creating an outline, rough draft, and final edits. Good luck everyone!
- **7/8 Art:** Veteran's Day Gift Project
This week we will be spending time making a gift for the veterans who come to our Veterans Day Program. Students will be creating a hand-painted flag made of paint sticks.
- **7/8 Literature:** *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
Before we move into our next novel the students finished up *The Giver* by working together on an Escape Room! Can they get out of the community in time and escape to Elsewhere?
- ★ Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you might have.
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320.522.0002

Mr. Falk: Grades 7-8

- You may notice in our hallway we have carpet squares for each student. Since there will be snowy days, students will keep the classrooms dry and safe by leaving their outdoor footwear in the hall. Please send an indoor set of shoes.
- If you have questions or need to share information, you may contact me at 989-415-9421 or mrfalk@firstatthecross.com
- Grades 5-8 are going on a field trip Friday, November 3. Check out the information sheet that was sent home last week. Another Information sheet tells you about our trip to SLHS next Wednesday, November 8 for "pacer for a Day." In addition, our class will join grades 1-6 on Friday, November 10 to again go to SLHS for the musical "Beauty and the Beast."