



Wednesday

News



Wednesday, October 28, 2026

<u>Principal's Message</u>	<u>This Week at a Glance, etc.</u>	
On Tuesday of this week, we were privileged to host the Elkhorn Fire Department for our annual Fire Safety demonstration. Students were able to meet members of the fire department, tour the safety vehicles, and travel through an inflatable "smoke house." The firefighters also gave the students a presentation on the power and potential dangers of lithium-ion batteries. The batteries which power so many of our devices now such as phones, tablets, game controllers, laptops, fitness trackers, e-bikes, scooters, and many more items are very powerful and allow devices to be charged for hours or days. Unfortunately, these devices have also been known to overheat and cause very sudden fires. Please follow these safety tips when charging these batteries: • Only use laboratory certified (such as UL) devices and chargers. • Only use the charging cord which came with the equipment. • Charge on hard, flat surfaces and never on couches, beds, or pillows. • Unplug the device when full. • Charge large mobility devices outside. • Don't use or charge batteries in extreme heat or cold. Let's stay safe with our devices!	Thurs. - Fri., Oct. 29 - 20	NO SCHOOL - Teachers' Conference
	Sun., Nov. 1	Daylight Saving Time Ends - Fall Back! All students sing- 8:00 a.m. Reformation Service Grades 5 - 8 play handbells Robotics - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
	Tues., Nov. 3	Basketball Practice - 4 - 5:30 p.m.
	Wed., Nov. 4	Toddler Open Gym - 9 - 10:30 a.m.
	Thurs., Nov. 5	Basketball Practice - 4 - 5:30 p.m.
	Fri., Nov. 6	Chapel - 7:35 a.m. SLHS Day: Gr. 1 - 6 - "Alice in Wonderland" Gr. 7 - 8 - "Pacer for a Day"
	Sun., Nov. 8	Robotics - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
	Mon., Nov. 9	Veterans Day Program (lunch at noon, program at 12:45 p.m.) Robotics - 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
	Tues., Nov. 10	Basketball Practice - 4 - 5:30 p.m. Cheer - 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
	Thurs., Nov. 12	Basketball Practice - 4 - 5:30 p.m.
	Fri., Nov. 13	Chapel - 7:35 a.m.
	Sun., Nov. 15	Robotics - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
	Mon., Nov., 16	NO SCHOOL - Parent/Teacher Conferences
	Tues., Nov. 17	Basketball Practice 4 - 5:30 p.m.
	Wed., Nov. 18	Toddler Open Gym - 9 - 10:30 a.m. Cheer Practice 4:30 p.m.
	Thur., Nov. 19	Basketball Practice 4 - 5:30 p.m. Cheer Practice 4:30 p.m.
	Fri., Nov. 20	Chapel - 7:35 a.m.
	Sun., Nov. 22	Robotics - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

<u>Wrap-Around Care</u>	<u>FRIDAY LUNCH</u>
Please contact the office should Wrap Around Care be needed.	No School!!

<u>School News</u>		
<u>SCHOOL PICTURES</u> Students should have brought home a card with information on ordering photos. You are not obligated to order photos. <u>FEED THE TURKEY</u> First Lutheran School will be collecting non-perishable food items from Nov. 2 - Nov. 20. 4K and Kindergarten will donate them to the food pantry. Please look at the attached sheet for current items the food pantry needs. Please place items in the Turkey box that is in the hallway. What a joy to give to others in need! <u>SINGING IN CHURCH</u> Grades 4k-8 will be singing in church this Sunday, November 1st in the 8am service. We will meet in Miss B's classroom at 7:47am. Grades 5-8 will be playing handbells as well during this service. Grades 1-8 will sit with their classmates. 4K-K will return to their parents after singing.	<u>VETERANS' DAY</u> We are observing Veterans' Day on Monday, November 9th. Veterans are invited to a special lunch with the 5-8th graders. A program of recognition and honor will follow the meal (12:45pm ish). Please invite family and friends who are veterans to join us for the meal and program. If a veteran is joining us for lunch, please rsvp to the office. All school families are welcome for the program (12:45pm ish) <u>END OF FIRST QUARTER</u> The end of the 1st quarter is Friday, November 6th. Report Cards will be sent home on November 13th. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, November 16th. The online link to sign up for a conference slot will be in the November 4th newsletter.	<u>NOVEMBER SCHOOL CALENDAR</u> The school calendar for November is coming home today. It is also posted on our website and the school bulletin board. <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> You're invited to join us for Sunday School every <u>Sunday</u> at <u>9:15 a.m.</u>, following the first service. We'd love to have you join us for a time of learning, fellowship, and growing together in faith! <u>BEST OF WALWORTH VOTING</u> Voting for Best of Walworth starts November 2- November 15. Please vote for us! contests.gazetteextra.com <u>PRIVATE SCHOOL</u> First Lutheran Church & School - Elkhorn <u>FESTIVAL/EVENT</u> First Lutheran Soccer Camp Please take the time every day, on every device to vote!

First Lutheran Athletics

Volleyball & Soccer

 Thank you for a great end of season celebration! Coach Stech & Lahmann, Pastor Kuschel & Coach Kamps want to thank you for the thoughtful gifts! GOOOOOO Badgers!!!

Basketball

 Practices start next week! Please wear clean gym shoes and bring a water bottle.

Cheerleading

 Cheerleading practices will begin November 10th. Please see the handout that went home to all 3rd–8th grade girls.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

You can access up to date information through our Athletic Google Calendar. On 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.

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

EXTRACURRICULARS

PIANO

 Lessons are on Tuesdays - don't forget your music!

 We will be using Piano Adventure books along with Disney, hymns, jazz/blues, etc. throughout the year.

 All of the students will perform at Christmas time, Spring recital in May and before or during a church service sometime between Feb-May.

 If you have any questions at all, please email, call or text.

 **Sarah Dobberstein- syakes19@gmail.com - 262-903-4158**

BAND/ORCHESTRA

 Band lessons will be held on Tuesdays. Don't forget your instruments and music!

 Please feel free to contact him with any questions regarding music, instruments, lessons, or anything regarding the grade school band program via email, text, or phone.

 **Keith Wordell - wordellk@slhs.us - (612)805-3829**

ROBOTICS

We have our robotics teams!

262X – Middle School: Joshua, Lucas, and Oliver.

262Y – Elementary: Will and Nolan.

262Z – Middle School: Chloe, Presley, and Aliya.

The teams will get to pick their own team names. We will meet every Sunday from 5:30–7:30 PM. Our first League Night is Monday, November 9. We are excited to get started and see what these teams can accomplish!

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!

Many cards are available in the office, or you can place an order

through the office or online. Please contact the office for our Enrollment code.



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Please contact the office with questions.

Your support is appreciated!

Classroom News

Mrs. Lemke: 4K and Kindergarten

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Christ Light</u>-Students are learning about Martin Luther. They are learning why our church is named after him.• <u>4K/5K Literacy</u>-Students are reviewing the letters they have learned so far. We are playing I-Spy with letters. We will continue to work on rhyming words, beginning and ending sounds, blending and segmenting syllables to make words, saying the alphabet song attached to letters, and learning nursery rhymes.• <u>5K Literacy</u>-Students are reviewing letters they have learned. They are also reviewing the short a and short i sounds. They are writing words that have short a and i in them. Books were sent home. Please keep the books in a shoe box so your child can read them and add to their book collection throughout the school year. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Math</u>-Students are learning about squares and triangles. They are learning about the shape attributes. We will make AB patterns using our bodies.• <u>Science/Social Studies</u>- We are going to do a pumpkin investigation.• <u>Art</u>-Students will make fire trucks out of shapes.• <u>Music</u>-Students are practicing their songs for Veteran's Day and singing in church.• <u>Gym</u>-We will continue to do fun activities with a parachute.• Show and Tell: Nov 6-Esther-Favorite Thing• Singing in church- The whole school is singing in church at 8am on Sunday, November 1. They should go to Ms. B's room at 7:47am. We will sit together as a class. Once we are done singing, they will go back and sit with their families. |
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Mrs. Szmanda: Grades 1-2

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christ Light - Church history - <u>The Reformation</u> and Martin Luther.• Math -
Time to the half hour, temperature, money• Language Arts
Reading - Fall, Veteran's Day themes
Grammar - types of sentences
Phonics - ou and ow /ou/ sounds
Spelling - we will begin weekly spelling tests next week (11/2) starting with consonant blends and short vowels. Lists will be sent home on Monday, test on Friday. We will practice daily in school, please take a few minutes each night to run through the words, as well. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Science/Social Studies - Veteran's Day; National symbols• Field Trip - On Friday, Nov. 6, grades 1-8 will travel to Shoreland Lutheran High School in Somers, WI to see the play <i>Alice in Wonderland</i>. If you wish to accompany us, or drive, please contact me. We will return to school for lunch. See the information form sent home last week.★ Looking Ahead:
11/1 - Sing in Church for Reformation 8:00 am
11/6 - Alice in Wonderland play at Shoreland
11/9 - Veteran's Day program• If you have any questions, please talk to me or text me at 262-327-4561. |
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Miss Buelow: Grades 3-4

- NO SCHOOL - NO SHARE.
- We have started a new math unit about time. We are working on the concept of elapsed time.
- We are finishing our overview of the regions of the United States. We are focusing on the levels of government, branches of government and what it means to be a citizen.
- Our rough draft of the first creative writing story of the year is due by Friday. The final copy is due Friday, November 6th.
- Reminder: We are going on a field trip to Shoreland Lutheran High School next Friday, November 6th. Information was sent home last week.
- If you have any questions, you can reach me at 414-550-7304 or missbuelow@firstatthecross.com.

Mrs. Lahmann: Grades 5-6

Christ Light and Catechism:

We are taking a break from our normal schedule to spend time studying the *Life and Faith of Martin Luther* and how he reformed the church to show that salvation comes by faith through Jesus and not by works.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

Math:

5th: Test on Monday, word problems about equal groups, and division with and without remainders.

6th: Test on Monday, divisibility, and equal groups problems with fractions.

Spelling: No spelling this week.

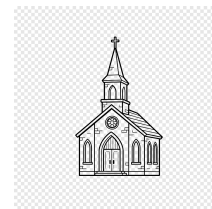
Science: What are some valuable minerals? How do you identify minerals? What's the hardest mineral? We will discuss and answer these (and more) questions this week. We will review and have a test next week.

Grammar:

5th: Helping verbs, singular, plural, compound, and possessive nouns.

6th: Capitalization: sentence, pronoun I, poetry, and irregular plural nouns.

World Geography: We are continuing our study of core concepts in geography with an emphasis in culture and are continuing to work on creating imaginary country maps.



We sing in church on Sunday, November 1 at 8am.
Please meet in Ms. B's room at 7:47am.

Questions or concerns? mrsilahmann@firstatthecross.com, 262-573-6710

Mrs. Kuschel

5/6 Reading - *Holes* by Louis Sachar

After finding Zero, Stanley helps him escape the harsh desert, and together they begin a dangerous journey toward God's Thumb. Along the way, their friendship and determination help them face incredible challenges.

5/6 Art

Our Yarn Art projects are almost finished! Students have done a wonderful job bringing their designs to life with colorful yarn, texture, and creativity, and the finished pieces will soon be displayed in the hallway for everyone to enjoy.

Fire Prevention Day!

Be sure to check out First Lutheran's Facebook page to see some pictures from this special morning!

7/8 - Creative Writing

Patriot's Pen essays will be submitted today! Students have spent the past week brainstorming, drafting, revising, and polishing their writing as they reflected on this year's essay theme.

7/8 Art

Students are putting the finishing touches on their pointillism projects. Their patience, creativity, and attention to detail have resulted in some impressive artwork. Watch for these colorful masterpieces to be displayed in the hallway soon!

Questions? Don't hesitate to reach out!

 mrskuschel@firstelkhorn.com

 320.522.0002

Mr. Knittel: Grades 7-8

- Our first Christ-Light study this year is "World Religions." We will look at the major religions of our world to see how they compare with the inerrant Word of God. Our current unit is "Evangelical and Reformed Churches." Just because a church is Christian doesn't mean that it agrees with everything the Bible has to say. We will look at several Christian denominations to examine where they depart from Biblical teachings.
- This week in Math, Course 2 will explore dividing fractions and multiplying and dividing mixed numbers. Course 3 will examine multiplying and dividing decimal numbers along with transformations. Both classes have a test on Tuesday, October 27.
- The students in grades 7-8 will be taking a field trip to Shoreland Lutheran High School to participate in Pacer for a Day on Friday, November 6. An informational sheet was sent home with students today.
- This week in U.S. History we are beginning a new unit on the English colonies as relations with Great Britain began to strain. This week we start to look at how colonists viewed taxes and other political acts by Parliament as a breach of trust.
- Grammar this short week in 7th grade is learning the progressive verb forms. 8th grade will examine the direct object and how to diagram it. Both classes will have a test on Wednesday.
- Spelling words for this week are from Unit 8. Because of the short week, our final test will be on Wednesday. Lists for the entire year are available on Google Classroom.
- If you have questions or need to share information, you may contact me at 614-448-8959 or mrknittel@firstelkhorn.com.

The Elkhorn Food Pantry is always in need of:

Saltines

Graham Crackers

Pancake Mix

Syrup

Cake/Brownie Mix

Stove Top Dressing Mix

Hamburger/Tuna Helper

Instant Potatoes

Rice

Canned Beef Stew

Canned Sloppy Joe/Manwich

Hand Soap

Laundry/Dish Soap

Toilet Paper

Paper Towels

Toothpaste/Brushes

Hot Chocolate

Kool Aid

Cereal

Hot Cereal/Oatmeal

Chicken Noodle Soup

Egg Noodles

Canned Pasta/Spaghetti O's

Fruit Juices

Canned Fruit

Pudding

Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter

Ketchup/Mustard

BBQ Sauce

Flour

Sugar

Salt/Pepper

