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The Purple Note

May 21, 2021

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

27th Final day of after-school ABC Care

28th CLOSING CHAPEL and 5th Grade Service of Godspeed and Farewell 10:00 AM.

Parents are invited and encouraged to attend this service! All of our students will be providing special music with this service as we close out the 2020-2021 academic school year.

Students will be able to leave with their parents following the service.

Official dismissal at 12:00. There will be NO ABC CARE after school that day.

JUNE

7th CAMP LUTHER begins

**Wednesdays in June and July:
9:00-1:30 Science Camp with Miss Amber!**

28-30 Chess Camp



THIS WEEK'S PRAYER FAMILIES

This week we remember the families of Shawna Trester, Noah V., Kaitlyn V. and Elijah H. If you know of a family you would like us to include in our prayers, please let the office know.

Final Chapel will be led by Pastor Justin Woodside,

Friday, May 28th at 10:00 am.

**Chapel services will be live-streamed on the
Martin Luther Facebook page.**

A few spots available for Camp Luther!

Need a summer enrichment program for your elementary aged student? Look no further! Small class size, activities, field trips, devotional time-- we've got it! Download the registration [Camp Luther Form](#) to complete. You can also contact Denise Wolfgram, wolfgram@lutherschools.org with any questions.

Mrs. Wyatt and Miss Rylee will be out team leaders for Camp Luther, and we love seeing our list of attendees grow!



CAMP LUTHER!

Summer enrichment for students
entering kindergarten-5th grade in the fall 2021

June 7th-July 30

7:30 AM-5:30 PM

Closing Chapel, Friday, May 28, 10:00 AM



Closing chapel will include all of our students from Pre-K through the 5th grade.

Parents, this is a special service! We hope you can attend!

We are all happy and excited to share the gift of music to help with the service as each

group has something prepared to enhance our worship time! After the service, you are free to enjoy some fellowship with your child's classmates, parents, and teachers.

BUSY FINAL WEEKS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!



The final weeks of the year are still busy ones! The 5th Graders withstood the heat of the all-school 5th grade track meet with **4 students placing in the top 20!**

3rd and 4th grade took a trip to Fort Lincoln and also tested for which band instruments would work best for them to begin band in the fall!



Thank you! Thank you!

Many thanks to all who walked in the Band Night Parade! It was a very special evening!



Staffing changes at MLS



We look forward to welcoming **Anne-Marie Christensen** to the MLS family in the 2021-2022 school year as the 3rd grade homeroom teacher.

Anne-Marie has experience in classical education and knows the benefits that it can provide. Having been a part of a school that transitioned to classical education, she is excited to see how it can help us further our mission of excellence in education and teaching the faith at Martin Luther School

We also welcome **Sandy Hood** as the 4th and 5th grade homeroom teacher. Sandy is not altogether new to the Martin Luther family as she served as preschool teacher in the past at the Shepherd of the Valley location. After having relocated to

Dickinson area, she and family are returning to Bismarck.

Sandy has great excitement and zeal for her students and is eager to delve deeper into the classical education philosophy. She also embraces the opportunity of sharing the Lutheran faith with her students. You may even see her this summer from time to time at Camp Luther!
We welcome Mrs. Hood!



While **Carrie Harling**, our current 5th grade teacher, has served well in this year with the older kiddos, she'll be moving down to the full-day pre-school classroom.

Steve Lee, current 3rd and 4th grade teacher, and **Tarren Pratt** in our full-day preschool are moving on to different ventures. We appreciate their service over the years, the gifts they have shared with Martin Luther School, and wish them God's blessings in the future.

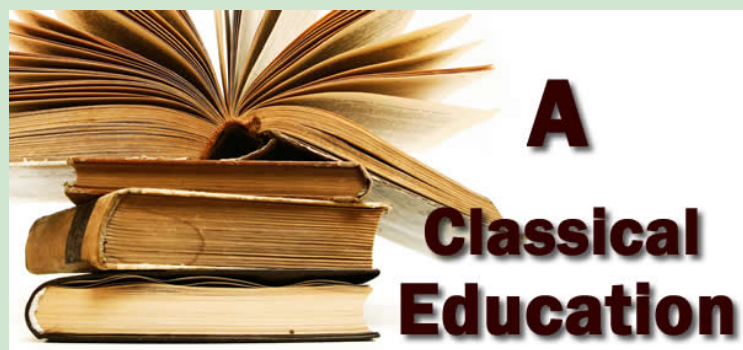
Change in Mask Usage

Martin Luther schools has modified mask usage in response to current COVID regulation changes. Mask wearing is **OPTIONAL** for staff and students at Martin Luther School. They will no longer be required during bus rides or chapel services.

Bring on the SMILES!

On the Classical Education Front

It was a joy to share a little more information about classical education with our attendees at Mayfest and at the "Taste of Kindergarten" event earlier in the month.



[Traditional vs. Progressive education](#)

For more information on classical education, take a look at the updated information on our website under "About Us."

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Pick Up During the School Day and Office Access

One of the hardest adjustments for us to make at MLS **AND** the hardest restriction to have to enforce is to limit parent access to the building. We've always appreciated the opportunity to visit with our parents and grandparents at drop off and pick up time. We appreciate your understanding when we work to reinforce new procedures to help keep all of us healthy and in school.

Just as a reminder for our K-6 grade guardians/parents.

- Parents are to drop off their student at the south door and not enter the building.
- If you need to contact Julie or Mrs. Wolfgram in the office, call the office (224-9070) and we will arrange to let you in and meet with you.
- In the case that you are in the building, we ask that you wear a mask.
- If you need to pick up your child early or for an appointment during the school day, contact the school when you have arrived, and we will escort your child to the front door to meet you.
- **Please note that the NORTH door is for Zion Lutheran Church activity only. Martin Luther families are to use the SOUTH and WEST doors only, NOT THE NORTH DOOR.**

If you need to visit in person with Julie, our office manager, call her at 224-9070, and she will arrange a time for you to meet with her.
