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The Purple Note

September 17, 2021

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September

19 4-H at MLS 2:00pm

21 Chess 3:45pm

21 Mom's Bible study 6:30pm

28 Chess 3:45pm

30 Back to School Concert K-5
6:30pm

**Every Friday is Dollar Hat
Day that goes to support
our chapel offering recipient**



Pastor John Walla from Bethel Lutheran Church will be leading us in chapel this Wednesday. We will once again livestream out chapel services on our Facebook page. Parents are also invited to attend in person, as well!

4-H Begins!

Martin Luther's 4-H club will have its FIRST meeting **Sunday, September 19th at 2:00** at Martin Luther School.



4-H is open to all students from kindergarten on up. We ask that a parent accompany their child for this first meeting as we will be seeking input

from parents for future plans.

We have many exciting plans for this new adventure and look forward to seeing how this great organization can help our kids become great leaders!

Even if you cannot attend this meeting, you are still able to be a part of 4-H. We will get you caught up with everything!

Afternoon ABC Care Changes

We have some changes that we hope will provide more room for our afternoon ABC Care students.

Beginning THURSDAY, September 23rd. We will be using the basement for after school ABC Care instead of the south door lobby area.

This mean we will use a different door for pick up. Instead of the south door, we will use the EAST door. You may still use the parking regular parking lot, but you may also use the parking lot across the street east of the church. (The school bus is parked in this lot.)

To assure security this door will be locked, but we'll have a door bell to let us know you're there, and we can let you in. We will still have out door time and come back in around 4:30 or so.

Morning ABC Care will continue the same as usual in the mail lobby area.

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedure

It has been over a year since we have had parents in the

building for pick-up and drop-off, so here are the guidelines for how it works.

Drop-off for Kindergarten-5th grade:

Students coming before 8:05 will be in ABC Care which will be in the front lobby by the south doors. At 8:05 students are then dismissed to their classes.

Pick-up for Kindergarten-5th grade:

Students in grades K-2 need to be picked up at their classroom. The south doors will be opened at 3:00 and parents may come and then wait either in the lobby area or by their child's classroom as it gets closer to the dismissal time.

Students in grade 3-5 are dismissed independently and are not required to have a pick up person at the classroom door.

Students not picked up by 3:30 are sent to ABC Care. The south doors will be locked at 3:30. Anyone one wanting to pick up their child after that time will need to use the EAST DOOR beginning Thursday, September 23.

Bible Study Opportunity

Quincy Wyatt is hosting and facilitating an in-home Bible study:

"He's Where the Joy Is."

beginning Tuesday, September 21st at 6:30. This is an open invitation for moms, grandmas, teachers, friends, and friends of friends at Martin Luther School. If you are interested in some fellowship and time in God's Word, this is the perfect opportunity!

The first meeting will be an

REAP THE BENEFITS OF THE *HE'S WHERE THE JOY IS* LEADER KIT:

- Discover and better understand an intimidating doctrine that is so vital to our faith.
- Explore the Trinity as a whole and examine the role and work of each Person of the Trinity individually.
- Unpack theological truths about prayer and how we can commune with and talk to God.
- Understand how to apply the truth of who God is in the Trinity to your everyday life and how you can relate to Him.

introduction to the course, a time to discuss future meeting times.

LOCATION: Mrs. Wyatt is opening her home to host this event. (We are going for a homey, comfortable atmosphere for this fellowship Bible study time.)

Please let us know if you are planning to attend, and we will get more information to you.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Mrs. Wyatt at [wyatt@lutherschools.org](mailto:w Wyatt@lutherschools.org).



Back to School Concert



Thursday, September 30th will be our Back to School Concert and mini-open house.

We are excited to share the music we have prepared, as well as give you a chance to see some of the things we've been working on so far in the classroom, especially as we have moved to using the classical model of education.

You are invited to browse the classrooms beginning at 6:00 with the concert starting at 6:30 up in the sanctuary.

On the Classical Education Front

Our classical transition has begun!

We have started a "Virtue of the Week" as part of our devotional time, looking at how



we can celebrate the "fruits of the spirit," in how we work as individuals and with those around us. We began with "love" first and foremost as GOD IS love. We can share that love by recognizing,

celebrating, and looking for ways to put into practice the virtue of "kindness." Ephesians 4:32 was our scriptural reference: "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

Our most recent virtue was "perseverance," working through things even when you face difficulty. We referenced Colossians 3:23 "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men." It was heartening to hear students put this into practice as they might have faced a challenging lesson or activity and were "persevering" in order to simply do their best and to give glory to God.

Want to learn more about classical ed? See the links below!

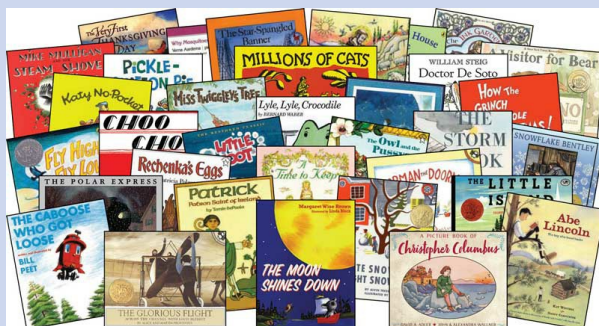
<https://theimaginativeconservative.org/2012/06/new-classical-schooling.html>

[Traditional vs. Progressive education](#)

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

www.lutherschools.org

Our Amazon Wish List



Many thanks to those who were able to purchase books via our Amazon wish list!!

Our classical model enlists a wide variety of books that exemplify quality literature, and we

thank you for helping us fill our shelves with these materials.

"Read Alouds" Each class a special "read aloud" book list of

which we only need one of these titles per class. We still have some titles that we'll be needing throughout this school year. Our hope is to have all of our "Read Alouds" purchased for this year and have that treasury thus established for years to come.

New titles will be added weekly! If you would like to purchase a title in honor of a student, we can certainly make that happen!

If you would like to purchase a book for our classroom, you can find the titles available through our Amazon wish list. See link below.

Thank you so much!

[Our continuing Amazon Classical wishlist!](#)

Lunch Bill?

If you have received messages that your child's lunch account is low, rest assured that the lunches this year are free of charge to our students for the school year. There is, however, a fee of .25 for milk at snack time. If your child has been having milk, they may have accumulated a small balance. Check with Julie in the office if you have any questions about your account.

COVID Protocol

We have been blessed with more freedom regarding Covid procedures over the summer. However, as we move into the school year and continue to watch how this illness evolves, we need to be aware of how to react when we are met with cases in our families. In the case that a student needs to quarantine, we will provide packets of material for them to complete during that time.

Should your family be affected by COVID, please stay in communication with Mrs. Wolfgram or Julie in the school office so that we can be of assistance to you.

- Positive COVID cases will be treated similar to other communicable

diseases. The positive case must isolate for the appropriate time (10 days for COVID).

- Siblings and household contacts to a confirmed COVID-19 case will need to monitor themselves and quarantine during the case's infectious period (this is typically 10 days from symptoms onset) AND for their designated quarantine periods. Quarantine will end 14, 10, or 7 days after the case's infectious period ends.
- All COVID-related questions and positive cases should be directed/reported to Denise Wolfgram or by email at wolfgram@lutherschools.org.
- Student and staff positive cases will also be reported to Martin Luther School from the North Dakota Department of Health.
- Parents will be notified if a student in their child's classroom contracts the virus.
- Masks will be optional for students and staff, but will not be required.
- If your child is ill, please keep them home to prevent the spread of all contagious illnesses and report the absence to their school that morning. If they have a fever or vomiting, they are required to be free of these symptoms for 24 hours prior to returning to school.
- The mitigation factors of handwashing and personal hygiene etiquette and cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities will continue.
- We continue to benefit from our HALO air filtration system that assist in eliminating the spread of the virus.
- All of these prevention strategies provide some level of protection against COVID and other communicable diseases.