



Week of October 11, 2021

Hello First Grade Families,

It's hard to believe that our **first quarter** of school is now complete! We have a field trip coming up on Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> to the Explorit Science Center in Davis. Please send in the permission slip that went home inside your child's Friday folder on 10/1. It needs to be fully completed with your child's name, your signature & let me know if you can drive and how many children can ride in your car. The cost of the field trip is \$12 and your TADS account will be billed on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Our school (the first and second grade classes) will be the only one attending, we will practice social distancing, and masks will be required indoors. Your child is to wear a Bethany Lutheran Spirit shirt, shorts, & jeans/pants. They are to pack their lunch and bring their water bottle with plenty of water. The permission slips need to be returned by Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup>.

The first students did a fantastic job on Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Our chapel presentation was recorded and I will forward it to you as soon as I can

**HANDLE WITH CARE:** The "Handle with Care" note on a lavender half sheet of paper went home inside last week's Friday folder. Please feel free to use this method in the event your child may need it during their day at school.

**Friday folder contents:** 1) *First Grade Homework packet along with the salmon colored weekly reading log on the very front of the homework packet. Homework packets are due back by the following Friday at the latest along with the signed reading log and checking off church attendance.* 2) *Graded work that should be reviewed with your child and kept at home unless there's a note asking for it to be returned.*

**Got Box Tops?** Please send in any **unexpired box tops** that you may have collected in the past or presently. You will find the box top flier that gives details about the box top program inside the Friday folder. It is very useful when you are shopping. Our school goal is to reach \$1,000 ! Please be sure to download the box top app on your phone (see the flier for details) and scan your receipts when you come home from the grocery store. If you'd rather send in your receipt and not add the box top app to your phone you may send the receipts in each week and we can scan them here and return them to you if needed. You can also have friends and family download the app or give you their receipts so they can be scanned.

**Parent/Teacher Conferences are coming up:** Please find the sign up sheet inside the Friday for upcoming parent/teacher conferences on 10/27 & 10/28. Be sure to include your child's name along with your first, second or third choice. You will get your child's report card and get to hear about you're the progress your child is making. I look forward to meeting with you all.

**Got Pie?** Please join us as we raise money for our Bethany Lutheran Arts program. The pies are delicious and can be frozen so you have them for the upcoming holiday season. The order deadline is on 10/20.

**P.E. days are on Monday and Thursday~** The students can wear their spirit shirt or P.E. shirt on these days. The spirit shirts can be worn each Friday, too. We are currently looking for another P.E. teacher. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please let Dr. Smith know.

**Dates to remember:** 10/8 Last day of the first Quarter 10/11 Columbus Day/School holiday: No school 10/15- Math Test 6, Spelling test 8, Lesson 8 Reading comprehension/language/phonics tests 10/20 Apple for the Arts Fund Raiser Pie orders due 10/26 Field Trip to the Explorit Science Center in Davis **October Birthdays:** 13-Kiera, 17-Mrs. Beall & 28- Santiago.

**Spelling List 8:** (short o) on, fox, got, hop, pop, not\*\*\* Please make sure your child practices the spelling words every day. They can say-spell-say. (Say the word, spell the word and then say the word again) Doing this in the car is fun as you can make a game out of learning each word, too! **Words to know this week:** her, now, our, she, today, would (please practice reading the words and knowing what they mean.) **Phonics Focus:** Review short o, clusters with l, phonogram -ock

**Bible Verse:** “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” Matthew 22:37 \*\*\*the students aren't required to memorize the verse unless you'd like them to\*\*\* They do need to draw a picture about their Bible verse & write the Bible verse once. (It's inside the homework packet.)

**Mystery Student & Warm Fuzzies:** I believe in catching the students doing the right thing and I love to praise them for doing well. A mystery student is picked each day. I tell the children who the mystery student is at the end of our day providing they did a good job making great choices for the day. So far (through Thursday), the mystery students have been Logan, Maddox, Kayleigh, Isla, Ashton, Sebastian, Ethan, Liam, Charlie, Gabe, Kiera, Ryen & Aiden. The mystery student of the day receives 5 warm fuzzies, a certificate & a special eraser. The students have been doing a great job earning warm fuzzies and we already have had repeat visitors at the treasure box! Lots of encouragement is given every chance there is.

**Water Bottle Reminder & nutritious food choice:** Keep on sending your child to school with fresh water and a nutritious food inside your child's lunch each day. This helps your child learn and think better.

**Sick or planned absences:** Please make sure you email me at [betty.beall@gobethany.com](mailto:betty.beall@gobethany.com) in the event that your child won't be at school due to an illness this is a great help when I do attendance in the morning. Please also let me know if your child is being picked up early or if your child will be out due to a family vacation, etc. I can make plans according so that the absence(s) is/are seamless

Lovingly Serving Him,

*Mrs. Beall*