

Wednesday Note

October 27, 2021

"REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS. AGAIN, I SAY REJOICE" *Philippians 4: 4*

Have you seen or heard about

Pumpkin Jack? Jack is in our Kindergarten room. Over the next several weeks, our students will discover how Jack will decompose, enrich the soil and help a new pumpkin vine to grow. Jack is becoming an interest to the entire school. His transformations are posted for all to see. You can see them too on our social media pages. We'll continue to post these transformation on Instagram and Facebook.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **October 31** **Reformation Day**
- **November 5** **Read-a-thon**
- **November 7** **End of Daylight Savings Time ("Fall back")**
- **November 16** **First Term Reports Cards**
- **November 18** **Interviews- Evening**
- **November 19** **Interviews- Daytime**
(No School for Students)



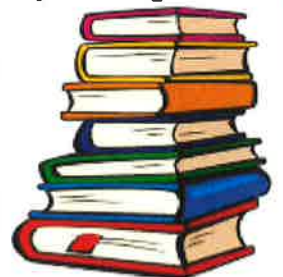
READ-A-THON

November 5th

First Lutheran Christian Academy is happy to kick off our Read-a-thon fundraiser. We are excited to combine our fundraising efforts with a worthwhile academic pursuit, planning exciting and rewarding reading-based activities for the day.

One of our many challenges that this pandemic time has brought to FLCA has been the disruption of our fundraising/donation efforts due to COVID-19 restriction, remote studies and economic disruption. We are hopeful that by moving our Read-a-thon to the fall and our Eagle Run and Barbeque to spring 2022, we will begin again to realize these much needed supports to our operating budget. Your support is vital and greatly appreciated.

You can read more about the Read-a-thon on page 3 of this Tuesday Note. A copy of the Pledge form will be sent home with your child. Be sure to check their binder. Thank you and may God bless your efforts.



About October 31st

Did you know that October 31st is the birthday of the Lutheran Church, indeed of all Protestant churches? Dr. Martin Luther chose All Hallows' Eve (the night before All Saints' Day) to nail his 95 theses to the door of the castle church at Wittenberg, an event many cite as the beginning of the Reformation. We commemorate this important day in the history of the church with special services and we will certainly celebrate Reformation day at FLCA as well.

We have deliberately chosen to downplay hallowe'en at FLCA, with its emphasis of witches, ghosts and the like.

Sadly, due to COVID restrictions, **we cannot share special treats** (food or non-food) this year.

We will emphasize "Trick or Treat" safety rules.

Parent Teacher Interviews

First term report cards will be sent home Tuesday, November 16th. Parent teacher interviews will be held virtually, on Thursday evening, November 18th and Friday morning, November 19th. More details will follow.



***Reminder: There is no school for students on Friday November 19th.**

First Lutheran Church

Sunday School

JK-Gr 6 students are welcome to join us this Saturday at 4pm.



Sunday School meets virtually on Microsoft Teams. Join in for Bible study, songs and crafts. See the **FLC Sunday School** Facebook page for more information. Bring a friend!

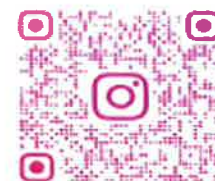
Spirit Wear



Spirit Wear is now available to order if you wish. Remember that spirit wear items can be worn as part of our school uniform. You can order from www.wearitproud.ca. You will need to select SHOP, then SCHOOLS, and you'll land on a page where you can select First Lutheran Christian Academy. There is a wide variety of shirts, sweaters, and jackets available for the whole family!

Social Media

Have you followed us on Facebook/Instagram? Be sure to Like and Share! FLCA relies heavily on "word of mouth" to increase enrollment. One way you can help is to share our posts on Social Media. We provide information about the school for those who are interested in attending, and we occasionally post pictures about activities currently happening in our classrooms and halls.



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First Lutheran Christian Academy's Read-a-thon

Dear Parents,

We are excited that our annual school-wide Read-a-thon will be held during the morning of Friday, November 5th. We are happy that we can combine our fundraising efforts with a worthwhile academic pursuit, planning exciting and rewarding reading-based activities for our students on that day. Our students in the early childhood portion of our school will also be participating in many worthwhile reading activities even though many of them have not begun to read on their own. Our teachers are currently busy discussing plans and activities and I'm sure that the students will find them enriching.

The format will be the same as in years past: the students will receive a pledge sheet with this communication which they can use to gather pledges. We ask that students only approach friends and family for pledges; no canvassing door to door. We are not asking for a specific number of pages read, but rather that the donor would sponsor the child's participation in the day's activities with a set amount of money. Funds should be collected at the time they are pledged so that there is no need to seek the donor out a second time. There is space on the form for a sponsor's name and address. This becomes important because we are able to issue charitable receipts for amounts exceeding \$20. (Receipts will be issued in time for preparing next year's tax returns.) We can only issue receipts if the name and address are provided. All children will participate in our reading activities, whether or not they are able to gather pledges.

On Friday, October 29th and on November 5th, the day of the Read-a-thon, students will be asked to hand in their pledge sheets and monies collected to date. A pledge sheet will be sent home today with your child(ren). New pledge sheets will be issued next Tuesday. With our current student body, an average pledge total per student of \$100 would go a long way toward helping us meet our fundraising needs. School-wide totals will be visually represented in the front windows of our school so that we can have a current indication of how we are doing relative to our goal.

This year, we're going to divide the school into two teams: the Junior Team (PK – Grade 4) and the Senior Team (Grades 5 – 8). Each team will have a combined mystery goal that only Mrs. Eberhard knows. If a team reaches or exceeds their goal, there will be an afternoon of fun and excitement (that's a mystery too!). If we raise close to the same amount as a school, the entire student body will enjoy an "out of uniform day" on a date to be announced.

As always, we give thanks to God for you and your generous gifts, assistance, and words of encouragement that you give to us all year long. If you have any questions about our current fundraising effort, or would like to help in some way, please give me a call.

Yours sincerely,
S. Eberhard, Principal