

Week #10 - October 20th, 2025

### **CLCA Mission Statement**

Crown of Life Christian Academy exists to serve its community through the proclamation of God's Word, the pursuit of academic excellence, and the establishment of meaningful relationships with the children and families it serves.

# Administration's Message- Additional Information

# NEW! Parent-Teacher Conference Scheduling

The first quarter ends on Wednesday, 10/29. CLCA will host Parent-Teacher conferences for 4K - 8th grade on November 13-14. If there are out of your control circumstances and you can't make the 13th or 14th work, please contact your child's teacher. We want ALL families to meet with their teachers. New this year, families will use a platform called BOOKIT to schedule a time to meet with your teachers - CLICK BELOW to

SCHEDULE YOUR CONFERENCES!

# **Berea Before-Care Reminder**

For those who take part in our before-care program, please be mindful of the process for the safety of all: We ask that parents walk their children to the front door to be certain the scholars are let in by our staff, and at the same time, use the QR codes posted to check your child(ren) in via Brightwheel.

# **CLCA BoD Open Forum**

The CLCA Board of Directors invites any individual to our Open Forum meeting in the Conference Room on Tuesday, Oct. 28, starting at 6:00. CLCA stakeholders can present questions, comments, or suggestions to the Board of Directors for consideration.

### **October Awareness Days**

On Wednesday Oct. 22, we will wear white shirts with uniform bottoms to recognize Blindness Awareness Month and on Friday, Oct. 24, our Knights can bring in \$1 to wear Pink from head to toe. Pink accessories will be available for \$1 as well! Thanks for

be available for \$1 as well! Thanks for encouraging your scholar to participate in these special dress days to show love to our neighbors and those affected by these health conditions.

### No School - Fall Break

CLCA will be out of session on Thursday,
October 30, and Friday, October 31, for the
Wisconsin Lutheran State Teacher
Conference.

### **CLCA Gala - November 8**

Our annual fundraising gala, Vision
Night, will be on Saturday, November
8th. We are seeking gift card donations
for one of our games that evening. If you
would like to donate
a gift card for a local service, product, or
business, please drop it off with Mrs.
Flack at Berea or Mrs. Hahm/Witte

at the Bethany Campus.

Purchase tickets or sponsor the event

# **Upcoming CLCA Events**

- Oct 20 Bethany Moms Night (Twice is Nice)
- Oct 22 CC meet at West Allis
- Oct 22 Blindness Awareness
- Oct 24 \$1 Breast Cancer Awareness
- Oct 24 Berea/Bethany Donut Day
- Oct 24 Grades 1- 3 to Luther Prep Play
- Oct 24 Forensics at CLCA
- Oct 28 CLCA Board Meeting (Open Forum)
- Oct 30 31 No School/State Teachers Conf
- Nov 4 Preschool Family Night (Berea)
- Nov 5-6 Preschool Christmas Photo Shoot
- Nov 8 CLCA Gala Vision Night
- Nov 10 14 Berea Campus Book Fair
- Nov 11 Veterans Day Program (Berea)
- Nov 13-14 Parent Teacher Conferences

# Veterans Day, November 11

All are welcome to join us on Tuesday, November 11th, to honor our Veterans. The program will feature our 5-8 Scholars with special performances by our Band and the Crown Choir. The program begins at 10 am in the Berea Gym.

# **CLCA Book Fair, Nov 10-14**

CLCA is excited to host our annual Book Fair at the Berea Campus during the week of November 10-14. There will be volunteer opportunities for our CLCA family to help with.

# **Early Childhood Classrooms**

### 2-year-olds- MRS.BROM, rachel.brom@crownoflifeacademy.org

# This Week's Focus:

**Theme:** Squirrels/Acorns

**Bible Lesson:** Joseph Forgives his Brothers

Fine Motor Development: This week, the children are developing their fine motor skills through creative, hands-on activities such as Lego stamping with paint and painting a squirrel using the back of a fork. These activities encourage children to use and strengthen the small muscles in their hands and fingers, which are essential for tasks like writing, buttoning, and cutting.

<u>Social/Language</u>: Along with our painting crafts this week, songs and fingerplays about squirrels and acorns during circle time help support children's social and language development. These shared experiences encourage listening, turn-taking, vocabulary building, and expressive communication, all while fostering a sense of community and fun.

<u>Books: Books:</u> Little Acorn, Squirrels, Busy Squirrels, Nuts to you, The Busy Little Squirrel, Scaredy Squirrel, The Nutty Nut Chase, Wonderfall, Apple Trouble, Squirrels All Year Long

<u>Math:</u>. Children will explore concepts like patterns, counting, shapes, and spatial awareness as they stamp with Lego, compare fork-painted textures, and sing songs that include numbers or sequencing. Through play, they build foundational math skills in a natural and engaging way.

<u>Science</u>: These activities also encourage science learning by promoting observation, prediction, and exploration. As children explore textures with paint, notice patterns in Lego stamping, and learn about squirrels and acorns, they're developing curiosity about the world around them.

This week, we are focusing on the shape of a circle, and the color brown

### **Teacher/Student, Small Group Time:**

- Hide& Find the Squirrel under the acorn
- Bible Story Craft (Gluing Corn, Discussing Forgiveness)
- Fork Painting Squirrels
- Painting Acorns with Legos
- Sensory Bin: Squirrels, Corn, Acorns, Shovels

As the weather gets cooler, please remember to send a coat, hat, and gloves with your child each day for outdoor play. To help avoid mix-ups, make sure all items are clearly labeled with your child's name. Thank you!





October Book-It Coloring Sheets are due at the end of the month. Don't forget to turn them into me so your child can get their free pizza! We love to read!

# **Dates to Remember:**

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October 24- Doughnut Day, and wear pink (Breast Cancer Awareness)

Octobre 29 - Junior Olympic Color Day (wear your team color)

October 30, 31 NO SCHOOL/No Childcare, teachers in MKE for conferences

# 3-year-olds- MRS. TRICIA DUNCAN, tricia.duncan@crownoflifeacademy.org

# This week's Focus

**Theme:** Squirrels and Acorns

**<u>Bible Lesson:</u>** Joseph Forgives his Brothers

Fine Motor Development: Letter Tracing, and line tracing, crushing leaves

Literacy: Letter "H"

<u>Science:</u> We're excited to explore the fascinating world of squirrels and acorns! Our little learners will be discovering how these animals and seeds are connected in nature.

<u>Math:</u> By counting out five acorns, children are practicing one-to-one correspondence and reinforcing their understanding of quantity. The guessing game, where students identify which acorn the squirrel is hiding under, promotes number recognition and strengthens their ability to associate numerals with quantities. Additionally, this activity supports early problem-solving skills and encourages students to think critically about numbers, improving their understanding of sequence and position. Overall, this playful and interactive approach supports foundational math skills in a hands-on, engaging way, in line with early learning standards for 4K and 5K.

**Books:** Little Acorn, Squirrels, Busy Squirrels, Nuts to you, The Busy Little Squirrel, Scaredy Squirrel, The Nutty Nut Chase, Wonderfall, Apple Trouble, Squirrels All Year Long

Poem of the week: 5 Little Acorns

Get up and move: The Fall Run Brain Break, Fall Freeze Dance

- We're excited to share that the children have begun working on their Christmas songs, and they are already putting in so much effort and enthusiasm! It's always a joy to see their creativity shine through as they learn the lyrics and melodies. We encourage you to ask them to sing for you at home, as it's a great way to reinforce their learning and boost their confidence. They're working hard, and we can't wait to share their progress with you during our holiday performance!
- As the weather begins to cool down, please remember to send your child with hats, gloves, and jackets to ensure they stay warm during outdoor activities. Kindly label all items to avoid mix-ups. If your child has shorts in their Ziploc bag, I will be sending them home to be swapped out for pants, along with possibly a long-sleeve shirt for added warmth. Thank you for your cooperation!

Every Thursday, we have a visitor for a small devotion! Pastor Wessel, our campus pastor.

Every Thursday at 6:30 pm: You are invited to come to Bethany Lutheran Church's worship service

Every Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am, Worship services

Every Friday, we have Chapel. Please feel free to join us during this time, @ 10:50 am



**THANK YOU** for making sure you are using Brightwheel to check in/check out each school day! It really helps our office staff (and me!) to be sure our numbers are accurate each day.



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### 4K- MRS.ERTMAN, jennifer.ertman@crownoflifeacademy.org

If you haven't yet turned in your October Book It Coloring Sheet, please do so soon. The deadline is the end of the month. The weather also looks to be a bit chilly this week. We aren't used to the cold temps yet. Please consider sending a pair of light mittens for morning recess if your child's hands get cold easily.

Bible Lesson: Joseph Forgives His Brothers

Memory Treasure: "Be kind to one another, forgiving one another" Ephesians 4:32

**Literacy:** Letter D is our letter this week. We'll be practicing how to write the letter and working on a new nursery rhyme: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star.

**Math:** We start another new unit this week on Measurement. We'll be using the terms long and short and big and small to measure and compare.

**Social Studies:** Our unit about Fall is done, so we'll start a new unit on Pumpkins! This week we'll learn the parts of a pumpkin and its life cycle.

I continue to work individually with each student to assess basic concepts in advance of the conference next month.

### **Important Dates:**

October 20: Moms Night Out at Twice is Nice 5-7 pm

October 22: White Shirt Day (Uniform Bottoms) for Blindness Awareness

**October 24:** Donut Day and Wear Pink Day for \$1 (Money goes to the Breast Cancer Coalition of Jefferson County)

**October 29:** Jr. Olympic color day (dress in your team's color) Day

October 30 & 31: NO SCHOOL (No Childcare offered as teachers are at Teacher Conference)

### **4K**- MRS.KOERBER, <u>sarah.koerber@crownoflifeacademy.org</u>

We love to look at our own pictures in classroom books! Please send me a picture of your child dressed in a costume (does NOT need to be Halloween-related; it is more of a "guess who" theme. Please no scary costumes.)

**Preston** is our student of the week!

**Bible Lesson:** Joseph Forgives His Brothers (Genesis 44-45)

**Memory Treasure:** Be kind to one another, forgiving each other. (Ephesians 4:32)

Literacy: We are learning about the letter Ii and the sound it makes, and writing.

Nursery Rhyme: Three Little Kittens

Show-and-tell: On Friday, bring something that begins with I!

Math: We are working on recognizing numbers and comparing numbers.

Science: We are discovering more about plants, seeds, flowers, and trees, and what they look like in the fall.

Social Studies: We are talking about houses and where we live. I am still hoping to get pictures of students' houses to make a "Where We Live" book. If you have not yet, please send me a picture of your child standing in front of his or her house!

Music: Some of the fun songs we are singing this week include "Five Perfect Pumpkins" and "Little Acorn".

### **Upcoming:**

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# **Elementary Classrooms**

### **5K-** MRS. OPPERMANN, elise.oppermann@crownoflifeacademy.org

### Routines, Procedures, and Lots of Fun!

This week the temperatures turn colder. Thank you for making sure your scholar has warm clothes and a jacket as we acclimate to more fall-like temperatures. Kindergarten goes outside unless it is really raining so thank you for your help from home. Please also check their extra clothes at school! We will want our shorts swapped out for pants.

In **Math**, we start to understand numbers that make a whole, intro to addition. **Phonics** will have us working with /c/ and reviewing /p/ while adding "was" and "you" to our "words". This week **Reading** finishes the question "What makes us special?" and has us discovering character details. **Writing** teaches us past tense verbs. Our **Social Studies** unit will be wrapping up discussing school long ago. **ChristLight** has us studying Joseph. Wow, a boy who had to trust that God was in control! We will study his relationship with his brothers and being sold into slavery to Egypt.

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Oct. 24: Donut Day, Kinders sing in Friday chapel, "My God is Powerful"

Oct. 29: Jr. Olympic color day (dress in your team's color)

Oct. 30-31: No school/No childcare - teachers are at conference in MKE



# **5K-** MRS. STEFANSKI, <u>kayla.stefanski@crownoflifeacademy.org</u>

We have had a few dress code violations over the past few weeks. Here is the <u>uniform link</u> if you have any questions or confusion on the dress code. You can also find information in the Parent Portal on our website.

Reading bags went home with books and learning games over the weekend. A friendly reminder that those bags & all the materials inside need to be returned the following day.

Looking forward to a great week!

### Here is a sneak peek at what we are learning...

**Math:** comparing numbers to 10 by matching and counting, using math vocabulary words like greater than, less than, and equal to. We will take our Unit 4 assessment and begin Unit 5 where we begin to build and break numbers apart using number bonds.

**Phonics:** mastering foundational skills such as rhyming, blending, and segmenting phonemes, isolating and manipulating sounds/words; we will learn two new snap words: was, you. We will learn Pp /p/ and Cc /k/.

**Reading:** This is the last week answering the question "What makes each of us special?". We will learn about Fables, describe characters, and check for understanding by rereading. Books we will be reading: Tiny Rabbit's Big Wish and My Friends.

**Writing:** We are storytellers! We will practice dictating stories and illustrating stories. We will learn all about sentences & creating sentences. We will begin writing a story with a character and setting. In Grammar, we will learn about verbs and verb tenses.

**Science:** It's PUMPKIN week We will learn, explore and investigate pumpkins.

**Christ Light:** This week, we will learn that God uses what is bad and sad in our lives for his good purpose.

Bible Stories: Joseph Becomes a Ruler in Egypt; Joseph's Brothers Come to Egypt.

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### 1st- MRS. GARTHWAIT, bonnie.garthwait@crownoflifeacademy.org

- October 22nd Wear White Shirts (Uniform Bottoms) for Blindness Awareness
- October 24 (this Friday) Field Trip to LLHS ALL students MUST\* bring a booster seat for the trip as we are having volunteer drivers (not taking a bus). Also, please wear uniform bottoms with a navy polo.

### \*Per Wisconsin State Law

Children must be in a car seat until they reach age 4 and 40 pounds, and in a booster seat until they reach age 8, more than 80 pounds in weight, or more than 4 ft. 9 in. tall.

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<u>Math:</u> Wrapping up Chapter 3; Beginning Chapter 4 - adding up to 20 <u>Reading:</u> Pumpkin Town - whole group reading; Ships in the Shop- decodable text

**Science:** Forces and Motion Unit - we will be exploring this unit by doing a collaborative project with 7th grade! The students are very excited to get to work with the big kids!

Writing: Continuing our narrative writing unit with learning about editing & revising; handwriting - letter i

**Phonics:** Digraphs -th as both the voiced th (that, them) or unvoiced th (both, think)

<u>Christ Light:</u> This week, we will learn to trust God's wisdom even during troubled times. We will also learn to thank God for his love in happy and sad times.

### **Memory Work:**

October 21: Romans 8:28 We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him.

October 23: Ephesians 3:20 God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

# 1st & 2nd - MRS. SPLINTER <u>stephanie.splinter@crownoflifeacademy.org</u>

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### What are we learning?

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October 23: Ephesians 3:20 God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

**Math:** Both classes are finishing up Chapter 4.

**Reading:** 2nd grade will read a story called <u>Super Storms</u>. The reading skill we will focus on is the Main Idea and Details. The reading strategy we will focus on is to Visualize what you are reading. 1st grade will reading a story and will work on identifying Main Idea and Details.

**Science:** We will be learning about how landforms change shapes.

**Writing:** We will be working on our research project. Both classes will be researching what their animal eats.

**Phonics:** 2nd grade will be learning -dge spelling patterns and VCC ending patterns. 1st grade will be learning digraphs -th as both the voiced th (that, them) or unvoiced th (both, think).

# 2nd- MRS. HOLZHUETER, tina.holzhueter@crownoflifeacademy.org

On Friday October 24th we will be going to LLHS to watch the children's production. If your student uses a booster seat please send that with your child on Friday. We will be riding in cars to Lakeside.

Each student will also need to wear a blue polo and uniform bottoms.

Friday is also Breast Cancer Awareness Day. The students are encouraged to wear pink. Since we have the field trip to Lakeside and we wear uniforms for field trips your student may bring pink clothes that they can change into after the play.

### **Dates to Remember:**

- October 22 White Shirt Day Uniform Bottoms / Blindness Awareness
- October 24 \$1 GO Pink Day (Breast Cancer Awareness)
- October 24th (THIS FRIDAY): Field Trip to Lakeside Lutheran High School
- October 29th: End of the 1st Quarter / Junior Olympic Team Color Day
- October 30/31: No School- Teachers Conference / No Childcare

### What are we learning?

**Christ Light:** This week, we will learn to trust God's wisdom even during troubled times. We will also learn to thank God for his love in happy and sad times.

### **Memory Work:**

October 21: Romans 8:28 We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him.

October 23: Ephesians 3:20 God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

Math: We have started Chapter 15. In Chapter 15 we will learn all about shapes.

**Reading:** We will read a story called <u>Super Storms.</u> The reading skill we will focus on is the Main Idea and Details. The reading strategy we will focus on is to Visualize what you are reading.

**Social Studies:** We will continue to learn about Community Resources. This week we will learn about recycling. **Science:** We will be taking a break from Science.

Writing: We will start opinion writing this week. Each student will write their opinion on being a spider.

**Phonics:** -dge spelling patterns and VCC ending patterns

# 3rd- MRS. THAYER, <u>lindsey.thayer@crownoflifeacademy.org</u>

Happy Week 10! Our class enjoyed visiting with the goats and mini horse I brought in for my enrichment class last week. (picture below)

On October 24th please send PINK clothes along with the 3rd graders to change into after our field trip for Breast Cancer awareness. Thank You!

3rd graders are diving into their Native American Social Studies unit. They will be working on a group project to research a specific Tribe over the next few weeks. If anyone has some paper grocery bags they are willing to bring in, I will need about 12 more. Thank you!

\*\*\* As temperatures begin to dip, your scholar needs a sweatshirt or coat for outside. Especially in the morning during 1st recess

- October 22- White Shirt day- Blindness Awareness day
- October 24- Field Trip to Lakeside Lutheran for a Play (Still in need of a few more drivers) and Breast Cancer Awareness Day- Bring Pink clothes along
- October 29 End of First Quarter / Junior Olympic Team Color Day
- October 30/31: No School- Teachers Conference / No Childcare

Christ Light: 8B Jacob Returns Home and 9A Joseph is sold by his brothers

Memory Work: Tues (Genesis 39:9) and Thurs. (Romans 8:28)

Math: Unit 1 assessment and beginning Unit 2: Multiplication facts  $\bigcirc$ 

Reading: Starting our book study- "Because of Winn Dixie" - Chapters 1-6 this week

Spelling: New sorts Monday, Pretest Tuesday, Final retakes Friday

Social Studies: Indigenous people- Native American Study

### 4th- MRS. GUT cindy.gut@crownoflifeacademy.org

We are almost to Fall break! We can do it! Please be sure your scholar is coming with a coat or at least a sweatshirt. It is chilly in the morning and they need to have one. You might also send them with a hat for that morning recess. Also as a reminder, after Fall break they will no longer be allowed to wear shorts. Please be sure they are coming to school in pants every day. Our 1st quarter is ending next week so please check in about missing assignments or work from when your scholar was gone. Have a blessed week!

### **Dates to remember:**

- October 22 White Shirt day (Uniform bottoms) Blindness Awareness
- October 24th- \$1 GO Pink Day (Breast Cancer Awareness)
- October 28th-Board of Directors Open Forum
- October 29-End of First Quarter / Junior Olympic Team Color Day
- October 30-31st, No School; Teacher's Conference / No Childcare

### What we are learning in 4th Grade:

**Christ Light:** Christ Light has us looking at Joseph's life and how God used the troubles in his life for good.

Memory work-Tuesday, October 21st; Genesis 32:10a and Deuteronomy 33:27a. Thursday, October 23rd; Romans 8:28 and 5th Commandment. Please work on these with your scholar at home.

**Reading:** We will be moving into a new story this week entitled, "Invasion from Mars." We will be focusing on story structure and inferring and predicting as we read.

**Grammar:** We will work on compound and complex sentences this week.

Writing: We will be planning out our paragraphs and working together to revise and edit.

**Math:** We will continue working on multiplying by one-digit numbers and learning various strategies to help us with that. I again encourage you to practice their multiplication facts at home. Knowing these facts will help greatly!

**Social Studies:** 4th grade will be researching their Pre-Columbian group they were assigned and creating their slideshow to share with the class.

# **Middle School Classrooms**

5th- MRS. BROWN (5-8 ELA), whitney.brown@crownoflifeacademy.org

### **#** TO THE POINT DATES

- o October 22: White Day
- o October 24: Pink Dress for \$1
- o October 27: Bullying Presentation
- October 29: End of 1st Quarter / Team Color Day
- o October 30-31: No School
- Every day: God is Good!





**CHRIST LIGHT:** This week we will read the stories of when Joseph becomes ruler and his brothers visit Egypt. Our class had an amazing time last week with an impromptu skit called "Brother for Sale" based off the story of Joseph being sold by his brothers. We even performed it for the 2nd graders. Good memory! The Memory Work link is **HERE**.

**ELA 5+6:** The sketchnotes are done, but learning continues. We are diving into Greek and Latin roots that make up words. Our first one is TERR and TERRA. In writing, we're pulling together our paragraphs for an opinion piece. In grammar, we'll tackle conjunctions.

**ELA 7+8:** This week in Roots study we're learning roots that mean to move. We'll study MOB, MOT, TRACT, and TENDS. In writing, we're honing in on our thesis statements and working on making stronger counterclaims and rebuttals. In grammar, we'll review the kinds of pronouns in a mentor sentence from the book The Giver.

**LITERATURE:** Thank you so much for all the PIE supplies! We had an amazing pie party! We're diving into our brand new reading curriculum featuring stories about inventors. We'll focus on skills like summarizing and finding main ideas as we explore why inventions are created.

CATEGORIES: List 5 kinds of candy.

### **# STAY SHARP REMINDERS**

Send gym clothes in on Mondays and Tuesdays.

# **6th**- MR. HOLCOMB (5-8 Social Studies), <u>mark.holcomb@crownoflifeacademy.org</u> **Thoughts from God's Word**

John 6:26 - "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill."

With these words, Jesus began his Bread of Life sermon. So what was the issue? Jesus had just fed the 5,000 with five barley loaves and two small fish. The people were hungry, and Jesus graciously fed them. The people, however, failed to see beyond the food to the One who provided it. Standing in front of them was the Savior. Only God could do the miracle Jesus performed. But the crowds missed the connection. We can fall into that trap as well if our eyes are focused too much on the things of this life. Possessions, vacations, sports, and work are all blessings from God, but if we make them the end-all and be-all of life, we miss what matters most - Our Savior and his life and death for our salvation. The things of this world are temporary. Our Savior and his salvation are eternal.

### **Important Dates**

- → Wednesday, October 24 Forensics at CLCA
- > Thursday and Friday, October 30 and 31 No School
- → Saturday, November 8 Vision Night
- → Monday, November 10 Basketball and Cheer seasons begin see schedule for practice times and dates
- → Tuesday, November 11 Veterans' Day Program 10 A.M.
- → Thursday and Friday, November 13 and 14 Parent Teacher Conferences
- → Tuesday, November 21 Thanksgiving Program 10 A.M.

### **Subject Work This Week**

- → **Bible History:** Jacob's problems with his family continued. He played favorites with his children and caused division in his family. God was constant in his love and forgiveness for Jacob, just as he is for us.
- → **Doctrine:** In the Fourth Commandment, God directs how we treat our parents and others he has placed in positions of authority over us. We are to honor, serve, and obey them, and give them love and respect. We do not have specific rules about when to worship God or customs to follow. God tells us that our whole life is a life of worship to him. To do that, we need to surround ourselves with His Word daily.
- → **Memory Work:** Monday Passages 1-22; Tuesday Fourth Commandment; Wednesday Passages 3-4; next Monday Passages 5-6. We are starting the second time through our passages for the year. Grades will be weighed more heavily this time through.
- → 5-6 History/Geography: African country reports.

- → **7–8 History:** The colonies declared their independence, but the King of England was not going to let the colonies leave. England should have won the Revolutionary War, but the colonists used the geography and their leaders to overcome great odds and win the war. Daily assignments will continue.
- → **Literature:** We have finished our novel study. Most of the students did very well on the end-of-book review. We are continuing to grow in our literature skills. The amount of information is significant at this point. The students need to review their literature skills daily. It is the same as knowing math facts in math. We are covering pages 1, 2, 3, and 11 of the study guide. We will be reading short stories. The daily assignments require **slow**, **careful** attention.

### 7th- MRS. TOMLIN (5-8 Math), beth.tomlin@crownoflifeacademy.org

**Extra**: The 7th graders will be teaming up with the 1st graders for an exciting science project on *force and motion*! Together, they'll design and build their own paper roller coasters, while learning the value of teamwork and creativity.

**Bible History/Hymnology:** This week will open our Bible History lesson with the singing of "What an Awesome God" by Phil Wickham.

This week, we will be studying Acts Chapter 10, focusing on the powerful work of the Holy Spirit. Students will learn how God used a vision to guide Peter and bring a Roman centurion, Cornelius, to faith. Through this story, we'll see how God's message of salvation is for all people.

**7th Grade Literature:** We have finished reading our first novel, *Black Radishes* by Susan Lynn Meyer. This powerful historical story, set in Nazi-occupied France, features engaging characters and a compelling plot while exploring themes of courage, identity, and resilience. As a final project, students will create a timeline or poster to showcase their understanding of the story's events and themes. **5th Math:** The students are now moving on to multiplication. They will spend this week multiplying one and two digit numbers.

**6th Math:** Ratios will be the focus for our 6th graders this week. Students will learn how to compare quantities, write ratios in different forms, and apply them to real-world situations.

**7th Math:** The students are continuing their study of algebraic terms.

**8th Math:** Students will practice identifying parts of an equation, using inverse operations, and checking their solutions to prepare for upcoming assessments.

### **Dates to Remember:**

- October 22nd White Shirt Day (Uniform bottoms) Blindness Awareness
- October 24th \$1 PINK DAY (Breast Cancer Awareness)
- October 24 Forensics at CLCA
- October 29 End of First Quarter / Junior Oympic Team Color Day
- October 30 & 31 No School Teacher Professional Development
- November 8 Vision Night

# 8th- MR. METZGER (5-8 Science), <a href="mailto:glenn.metzger@crownoflifeacademy.org">glenn.metzger@crownoflifeacademy.org</a>

### **Science Notes for Middle School**

-We took a short diversion this week from our regularly scheduled lessons to make observations about the traits and populations we have been studying by watching the "Islands" episode of Planet Earth II. Students enjoyed a break from the routine, as well as a very emotional chase between a baby iguana and a beach full of snakes. Returning to the scheduled lessons, 5th & 6th grades are starting their final chapter this week, with the end-of-unit assessment scheduled for 10/27. 7th & 8th grades are taking their end-of-unit assessment this Wednesday.

-I will be hosting a student from Luther Preparatory School in my classroom next week. He will get a "taste" of what teaching in our setting is like, helping students and assisting with lessons.

### **8th Grade Notes**

- -We continue our study of Joseph this week in Religion classes, focusing on chapters 42-45 and 50 in Genesis. The memory passages for this week are Proverbs 28:17-18.
- -We finished our reading and viewing of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* last week. This week and next, students will be planning and writing a "character confessional" answering questions about the theme of control in the play. Students will be taking the voice of a specific character to explain:
  - 1) What motivates people to try to control each other's actions?
  - 2) Is it possible to control another person's actions in the long run?

# **Specials - Music, Art, P.E., Enrichment Electives**

### Music – MRS. BECKER (5K-8 Music)

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### **Upcoming Performances:**

- O Nov 11 Veterans Day Concert (Gr. 5-8)
- O Nov 20 Recital (Band & Piano Students)
- O Nov 21 Thanksgiving Program (Gr. 1-4)
- O Dec 14 PreK-K Christmas Program (PreK-K)
- O Dec 18 & 19 Children's Christmas Service (Gr. 1-8)
- Feb 17 Winter Concert (Gr. 5-8)
- O Feb 24 Winter Concert (Gr. 1-4)
- O Apr 9 Fine Arts Fair Preview Concert (Band/Choir)
- O Apr 11 & 12 Fine Arts Fair (Band & Choir Students)
- O May 7 Recital (Band & Piano Students)

# **Enrichments 5th-8th**

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We thank the staff members and parent volunteers for the time and effort it takes to plan, prepare, and teach these enrichment electives each week!

- First Chapter Fridays- Mrs. Brown
- Wisconsin Ag- Follow the Word, not the Herd- Mrs.
   Thayer
- Cooking- Mrs. Moore
- Fantasy Football- Mrs. Metzger
- CrossFit- Mrs. Kristin Kutz
- Spanish Culture Club- Mrs. Wessley
- Paper Quilling- Mrs. Tomlin
- Ukuleles Mrs. Becker

# **ART** - MR.HELGESTAD (5K-8)

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CLICK HERE TO SEE WHAT CLCA STUDENTS ARE STUDYING

AND CREATING

# Phy. Ed - MRS. TOWNE (5K-8)

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We are in our fitness unit:

- Lower elementary is learning about heart rate and ways to tell that my body is working hard with some fun cardio activities.
- Middle school students are learning about target heart rate zones and analyzing which zone their heart rate falls into with different activities. We are also learning the difference between anaerobic and aerobic exercise this week.

# Athletics-MR. HOLCOMB: Athletic Director

### **Coaches Needed**

→ **Boys Volleyball:** Boys volleyball is open to all boys in grades 7-8 this year. Please let Mr. Holcomb know if you are interested in playing. Practices 3:30-4:45, Mon-Thurs, November 3-6, with a volleyball tournament on Saturday, November 8. Please let Mr. Holcomb know if you are interested. Coach: Katie DeGalley

### **Cross Country**

- → **Season End:** Our team finished fifth at the conference cross country meet out of 22 teams. Good job, runners!
- → **Final Meets:** Some of our runners have qualified for the WLC Meet on Wednesday, October 22. Our boys will be going to the national cross country meet on Saturday, October 25, at Concordia University in Mequon. The cross-country coaches have the information that is needed for those who are going.
- → **Uniforms:** As the season ends, remember to turn in your uniforms to Mr. Holcomb or Mrs. Flack in the school office.

### Volleyball

- → **Match Results:** Our girls finished third at the conference volleyball tournament. Thanks for a great season!
- → **Uniforms:** As the season ends, remember to turn in your uniforms to Mr. Holcomb or Mrs. Flack in the school office.

### Soccer

→ **Return Uniforms:** Soccer players are reminded to wash and turn in their uniforms to Mr. Holcomb or Pastor Wessel as soon as possible.

### **Basketball Open Gyms**

→ **Open Gyms:** There will be two basketball open gyms for all girls in grades 5-8. One will be on Monday, October 20, and the other on Thursday, October 23, from 3:30-4:30 each day.

# **Spiritual Growth** - PASTOR WESSEL: Campus Pastor

→ Foundations: Foundations is a Bible Basics class for those interested in learning the core teachings of Scripture. We'll answer questions like "What does the Bible say?", "What is God's plan for my life?" and "Why is Jesus so important?" This class is also the path for membership at one of our association churches – but there's no obligation! Come and learn with us in a relaxed setting as we take an honest look at God's Word. We just started a new session, but there's still time to get involved! Join us for Foundations at our Bethany Campus, Sundays at 11:35 am.

# Thankful for another week of God's Grace!



WEDNESDAY, 10/22 CLCA WHITE SHIRT DAY

uniform bottoms required

CREATE AWARENESS





SHOW LOVE

FRIDAY, 10/24 KNIGHTS GO PINK DAY

NO UNIFORM BOTTOMS REQUIRED

\$1 TO WEAR PINK

\$1 TO PURCHASE SPECIAL PINK ITEMS

ENCOURAGE & SUPPORT

A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BREAST CANCER COALITION

November 8th, 2025

JOIN US FOR A RADIANT EVENING AS WE

# ILLUMINATE the path

FOR CLCA'S FUTURE AT OUR ANNUAL VISION NIGHT
Raffles | Silent & Live Auction | Dinner | Message

