

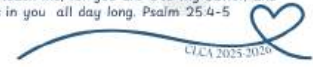


CROWN CHRONICLES

Your Weekly Email Connection to CLCA

Show Me Your ways Teach Me Your paths Guide Me in Your truth

Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long. Psalm 25:4-5



Week #25, February 16, 2026

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

Choice Window Closes 2/20

All returning and new Choice applicants should **apply via the DPI website** before this deadline.

Direct any Choice questions to cara.heagney@crownoflifeacademy.org

Berea Winter Concerts

Join us for the upcoming winter concerts: Scholars are asked to "dress to impress" and arrive 15 minutes before start time!

Grades 5-8: Feb. 17, 6 PM

Grades 1-4: Feb. 24, 6 PM

Miss Carole Concert

CLCA is excited to host the annual Miss Carole Concert on Tuesday **at 9:00 at the Bethany Campus!**

Late Start - Wed. Feb 18

Do you need childcare?

CLCA will host the 3rd Late Start event on **Wednesday, Feb. 18.** The Berea Campus offers care from 7:00-9:55 when doors open for the school day. The Bethany Campus is closed for Preschool and Kindergarten; childcare is offered 7:00-5:00. **LAST CALL TO**

SIGN UP FOR CHILDCARE ON 2/18

CLCA Q3 MID-TERMS - Weds!

Feb 18 marks the 3rd Quarter midterm. They will be distributed on **Monday, Feb. 23.** This is an eligibility check for winter athletes.

ASH WEDNESDAY- Feb 18

Wednesday marks the first day of Lent - a time of reflection as we follow our Savior to the cross. Various groups of CLCA scholars will be singing at Bethany Lutheran Church on most **Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM.** An evening service is also held at **6:30, with a light meal prior** - all are welcome!

No School Feb 19-20

CLCA will not be in session on **Feb. 19-20** due to professional development.

A-Team Home BBall- Feb 19

THURSDAY: **A-Team Games: Girls at 5 PM, Boys at 6 PM.** This is a special night to recognize 8th-grade players and cheerleaders. Come cheer on the Knights for the last time at home.

CLCA BOWL-A-THON, Feb 20

Our 8th-grade class is hosting a bowling night at Rock River Lanes, as a class-trip fundraiser! Raffles, silent auction, and family fun! **CHECK OUT THE FLYER!**

CEREAL BOX CHALLENGE!

WE NEED MORE CEREAL BOXES! We will be collecting cereal to donate to our local food pantries. Our goal at CLCA is 750! Please drop off your boxes of cereal at either campus between now and Wednesday, March 4th! [Click here to watch a video on this challenge!](#)

Upcoming CLCA Events

- Feb 16 Kindergarten to LLHS
- Feb 17 Bible Bites 8:15 Berea
- Feb 17 Miss Carole Concert (Bethany)
- Feb 17 Winter Concert (5-8) 6 PM
- Feb 18 Late Start Berea (No School Bethany/ Childcare Available)
- **Feb 18 Ash Wednesday Worship**
Bethany: 9:30 AM / 6:30 PM
Abiding Shepherd: 6:30 PM
- Feb 19-20 No School / No Childcare
- Feb 19 A-Team Home BBALL (8th grade recognition night)
- Feb 20 8th Grade Bowling Fundraiser (Rock River Lanes 6 PM)

Tuition Tax Deduction

The updated Tuition Tax Deduction form can be found on the CLCA website, at the bottom of the [PARENT PAGE](#).

CAMP RISE - SUMMER FUN!

Registration is now open for incoming 5th-10th graders at Camp Rise in Wild Rose, WI. The dates are July 5-10, and all details can be found on the [registration website!](#) This is a fun week of Christian fun and fellowship for our scholars!

Theme: *New Vibe* (Romans 6:4)

Heart Healthy Challenge

Feb 23-27 - Let's track our healthy habits! Check out the flyer on the announcements pages at the end of the Chronicles!!



Early Childhood Classrooms

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

This Week's Focus:

Theme: Desert Animals

Bible Lesson: Jesus feeds the 5,000

Fine Motor Development: This week, students are strengthening their fine motor skills through a variety of hands-on activities. During the cactus craft, they practice squeezing glue bottles and glue sticks, placing pre-cut pieces, and sprinkling and pressing colored rice and sand onto their paper. These actions help build hand strength, finger control, and coordination. In the Bible basket activity, students use a pincer grasp to pick up small croutons and goldfish to glue onto their paper, further developing finger dexterity. Additionally, scooping, digging, and pouring in the sensory bin supports hand-eye coordination and control. All of these activities help strengthen the small muscles in their hands that are important for writing and other daily tasks.

Social/Language: This week, students are developing social and language skills through group discussions, story time, and shared activities. They practice listening, taking turns, and using descriptive words when talking about the desert and desert animals. Singing the poem and discussing the Bible story encourages vocabulary growth and retelling skills. During sensory play and crafts, students build social skills by sharing materials, cooperating with peers, and engaging in conversation.

Math: This week, students are building math skills through hands-on activities and discussions. They explore measurement concepts by talking about desert temperatures (hot and cold) and comparing the sizes of animals and cacti. During crafts, they practice counting pieces (such as rice, croutons, and goldfish) and using one-to-one correspondence as they place items on their paper. In the sensory bin, they develop early math skills by scooping, filling, and comparing amounts (more/less, full/empty).

Science: This week, students are building science skills by learning about the desert habitat and how animals survive in hot environments. They discuss weather, temperature, and the physical features of the desert, such as sand and cacti. Through sensory play with sand and hands-on crafts, students explore different textures and materials, strengthening observation skills and understanding of the natural world.

Teacher/Student, Small Group Time:

- Bible Craft: Jesus Feeds the 5,000 (Gluing Bread and Fish Basket)
- Cactus Craft (Gluing and sensory exploration)
- Cactus counting and size sorting
- *Sensory Bin: Sand, Cactus, and Desert Animals with diggers/scoopers*



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 a Chapel. Please feel free to join us during this time, @ 10:50 am

****Please remember to turn in your January Book-Its for a free slice of pizza from Pizza Hut!**

Dates to Remember

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- Feb 19th-20th: NO School for Teachers' Conference



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

This week's Focus

Theme: All about the desert

Bible Lesson: Jesus Feeds the 5000

Fine Motor Development: Gluing, cutting, tracing

Literacy: Letter "R"



Science: In Science, our preschoolers will be exploring the fascinating desert biome! We will be learning about what makes a desert special, including how it can be very hot during the day and surprisingly cold at night. The children will discover the kinds of animals that live in the desert, such as camels, lizards, and snakes, and the unique plant life that grows there, like cacti. Through stories, pictures, and hands-on activities, we will explore how these plants and animals are able to survive in such extreme temperatures. We are excited to spark your child's curiosity as we learn all about this amazing habitat together!

Math. This week in Math, our preschoolers will be focusing on counting and number correspondence for numbers 1-10. The children will practice counting aloud, recognizing each number, and matching the correct number of objects to each number. Through fun hands-on activities, songs, games, and manipulatives, we will help them build a strong foundation in early number sense. We are excited to support your child as they grow more confident in counting and understanding numbers!

Books: Desert Song, Life in the Desert, Cactus Soup

Song of the week: Down on the desert (Desert song for kids)

Get up and move: The floor is quicksand (Danny Go), Desert chase (Go Noodle)

Thank you so much for coming to sing with us at chapel on Friday! We truly appreciate your time and support in making the experience so special for the children. They did an amazing job and were so proud to share their singing with you. It was a wonderful time of joy and celebration, and we are grateful for your continued partnership and encouragement!

Note: In our 3K classroom, we spend a lot of time learning how to be kind friends and how to play with others in positive and respectful ways. These social skills take time to develop, and it's all a part of being three! We are actively working with the children every day—modeling kindness, guiding them through sharing and turn-taking, and helping them learn how to express their feelings appropriately. As part of this learning, we also teach children about personal space and respectful boundaries. Children are reminded that while showing care and affection is important, behaviors such as kissing or licking other friends are not appropriate at school. We help children practice safe and kind ways to show friendship, such as using words, gentle actions, or asking before physical contact. I appreciate your patience and support as we continue to help each child grow and learn at their own pace.

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

Bible Lesson: Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

Memory Treasure: Give us today our daily bread. -The Fourth petition of the Lord's Prayer

Literacy: With our short week this week, we'll be reviewing letters both days. We'll also do two more days of the Nursery Rhyme Little Boy Blue.

Math: We continue to work on comparing measurements. This week, we'll learn about more and less and most and least.

Social Studies: President's Day will be our focus this week as we learn a little about being the President.

We have also started our Shoe Tying Challenge for 4K & 5K! Any student who can tie their shoe will get a prize from the prize jar in the Bethany office. We are hoping to develop some small motor skills and independence with this challenge. It will be open for the rest of the year!

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Feb 27th: Donut Day and Wear Red Day

4K- MRS.KOERBER, sarah.koerber@crownoflifeacademy.org

Please bring your child's snow gear home over the weekend to wash- we have been absolutely enjoying this beautiful weather, but it is getting quite muddy on the playground! Check your child's boots, snowpants, coat, mittens and hat to see if they can be cleaned off and ready for next week's chillier temps.

Bible Lesson: Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand (Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 6:30-44; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-15)

Memory Treasure: Give us today our daily bread. (Matthew 6:11/ The Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer)

Literacy: We will play games to review letters A-T and the sounds they make.

Nursery Rhyme: review

Show-and-tell: none this week

Math: We will continue to learn about teen numbers.

Music: We will be singing some of our favorite songs this week, like "Doggy Where's Your Bone?"

Social Studies: We are learning about Presidents' Day.

Upcoming:

February 17: Miss Carole Concert in the fellowship hall

February 18-20: No School; childcare only open on the 18th.

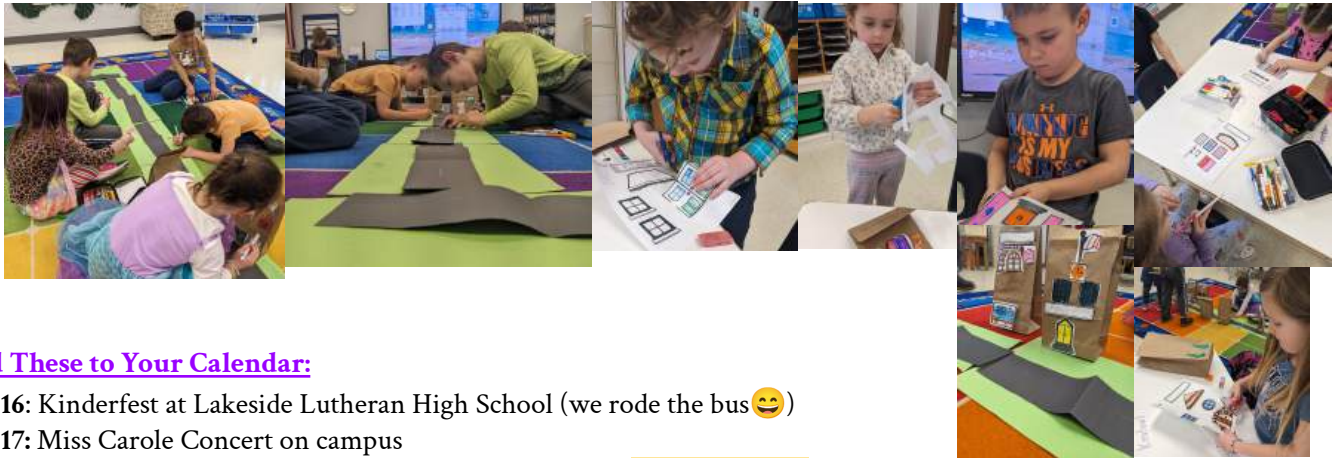
February 27: Donut for sale (\$2); Wear Red day

Elementary Classrooms

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

Routines, Procedures, and Lots of Fun!

We have a short week **PACKED WITH FUN**. Today was an awesome morning at Lakeside H.S., full of activities designed just for us. Tomorrow we will have a children's musician, Miss Carole, performing for us here at Bethany. Remember that the rest of the week in Kindergarten is off due to the late start and teachers' conferences. Below you will see some of the fun we had in Social Studies, creating a community.



Add These to Your Calendar:

- Feb 16:** Kinderfest at Lakeside Lutheran High School (we rode the bus 😊)
- Feb 17:** Miss Carole Concert on campus
- Feb 18:** **No School** due to late start (child care available, see [link on 1st page](#))
- Feb 19-20:** **No School** Teachers @ conference

5K- MRS. STEFANSKI, kayla.stefanski@crownoflifeacademy.org

This weather has been AMAZING! We have been getting outside as much as possible. As the snow melts, please continue to send in snow gear. We use it for warmth and cleanliness. It gets very muddy on our playground.

We have a short week filled with fun! Kinderfest at Lakeside this morning was amazing! Tomorrow we will see Miss Carole perform for us here at Bethany. She is a children's musician, and I have heard amazing things! We have no school on Wednesday due to the Late Start. We also have no school on Thursday and Friday due to teachers' conferences. I pray you have a wonderful week and the long weekend!

Add These to Your Calendar:

- Feb 16:** Kinderfest at Lakeside Lutheran High School
- Feb 17:** Miss Carole concert on campus
- Feb 18-20:** **No School** (due to a late start and then our teachers @ conference)
- Feb 27:** 5K sings in chapel

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

A couple of items:

- We will be having our iReady celebration on Wednesday, Feb 18th. We will be having ice cream sundaes and watching The Gruffalo (a short movie based on the children's book)
- Please make sure your student has a hat, boots, snowpants, and mittens/gloves. We try to get outside for all recesses as long as it is not too cold. Winter gear may stay at school during the week, but will come home on the weekends to get washed. **Please make sure to label everything!**

Dates to Remember

- **February 18- School Starts at 10:00 - Late Start**
- **February 19,20- No School**
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Math: Chapter 10: Measure and Compare Lengths

Reading: Hidden Figures - whole group; The Sandbox Hike - decodable text

Writing: Adjectives: identifying and using in sentences

Phonics: 2 syllable words ending in y: -y making /e/ (happy, bunny)

Christ Light: This week, we will learn about the special blessings that God has given to each of us.

Memory Work:

February 17: 6th Commandment- You shall not commit adultery

1st & 2nd - MRS. SPLINTER stephanie.splinter@crownoflifeacademy.org

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What are we learning?

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Memory Work:

February 17: 6th Commandment- You shall not commit adultery

Math: In 2nd grade, we will focus on adding three-digit numbers. In 1st grade, we will wrap up learning about measuring.

Reading: This week we will be learning about Jackie Robinson.

Social Studies: We will wrap up our learning about Italy.

Science: We will wrap up our science experiment.

Writing: We will review parts of speech and introduce our next writing project.

Phonics: 2nd grade: Prefixes: dis-. 1st grade: 2 syllable words ending in y: -y making /e/ (happy, bunny).

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

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Memory Work:

February 17: 6th Commandment- You shall not commit adultery

Math: This week, we will be using an open number line to add 100 and 10. We are also working on showing an amount of money in two different ways.

Reading: We will read a story called Signmaker's Assistant. The target skill we will work on is understanding characters. The target strategy is to analyze and evaluate what we read.

Social Studies: We will learn about different types of maps. We will also learn about the cardinal directions.

Science: We have finished our unit on making glue. We will be taking a break from Science for now.

Writing: We will finish our Jackie Robinson biography.

Phonics: Prefixes: dis-

3rd- MRS. THAYER, lindsey.thayer@crownoflifeacademy.org

Happy Week 25!

Thank you to all who helped make our Valentine's Celebration here at school special with our snacks and treats. This week is short, with school being normal today and tomorrow, but ending with a half-day late start on Wednesday. Teachers will be off to a WELS conference in Lake Mills for the remainder of the week.

Upcoming Dates:

- Feb 18 Late Start Berea (No School Bethany/ Childcare Available)
- Feb 19-20 No School / No Childcare
- Feb 20 8th Grade Bowling Fundraiser (Rock River Lanes 6 PM)
- Feb 14 Pinecar Derby race Day
- Feb 24- 1-4th Grade Winter Concert @ 6pm Berea, Dress to Impress, Arrive 5:45
- **May 15th- END of the YEAR field trip- Shalom Wildlife Park/ZOO- see email coming home this week with details and chaperone opportunities**

Christ Light: 10A The SunnStands Still and 11A Gideon's Call

Memory Work: See February memory work calendar

Math: Unit 7 review and Lesson 7.5, assessment 7 on Wednesday

Reading: BOOK REPORT information coming home Tuesday- DUE APRIL 10th

Spelling: Spelling sorts today, pretest Tuesday, not retakes this week

Social Studies: Black History Month projects and Study Unit

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

It's a short week! Just a reminder that we have a late start on Wednesday, and no school on Thursday/ Friday. We also have our winter concert next week, Tuesday, February 24th, at 6 pm.

Dates to remember:

- **February 18th-Late Start**
- **February 19-20-No School**
- **February 24th-1st-4th Grade Winter Concert at 6 pm, Dress to Impress, Arrive 5:45**

What we are learning in 4th Grade:

Christ Light: This week, we will be focusing on how God can help us use the abilities he has given us for his glory. We will also be focusing on trusting God to give us the victory over all those temptations in our lives.

Memory work: Tuesday, February 17th; Isaiah 119:105 and the 9th Commandment with explanation.

Reading: We will be focusing on some short stories this week.

Grammar: There will be an introduction to prepositions and prepositional phrases this week.

Writing: We will continue reading some tall tales and begin brainstorming ideas for our own stories.

Math: We will use the short week to review some key concepts from chapter 6 and make sure we are ready for fractions next week!

Social Studies: We will continue to read about the West region. The quiz for this region will be next week Thursday.

Science: We will be looking at the last chapter in our Energy Conversions unit and getting to the cause of the blackouts in Ergstown.

Middle School Classrooms

5th- MRS. BROWN (5-8 ELA),

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↓ TO THE POINT DATES

- Feb 17: Winter Concert, 6 PM, arrive 5:45, dress to impress
- Feb 18: Late Start
- Feb 19-20: No School - Teacher Meetings
- Feb 24: Field Trip to Milton House Museum
- March 13: End of Q3
- March 16-20: Spring Break
- **Every day: God is Good!**

↓ LEARN AND GROW

CHRIST LIGHT: We're taking a deeper dive into the book of Proverbs. Today, the kids will be sharing their favorite Proverbs slide with the class. No New Memory Work (The Memory Work link is found [HERE](#).)

ELA 5+6: In ELA this week, we're taking the Lakeside Spelling Bee test! The rest of our classes will focus on some readings about famous African Americans for Black History Month. We'll be reading selections with partners to determine two truths and one hidden lie. Teamwork makes the dream work!

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LITERATURE: We're digging our way through *A Night Divided* –Fritz and Gerta are tunneling under the Berlin Wall, but a few unexpected visitors are causing some trouble. This week, the skill we'll focus on is finding the main idea with supporting details.

CATEGORIES: List 5 Winter Olympic events/sports. (Paralympics included!)

STAY SHARP REMINDERS

Send gym clothes in on **Mondays** and **Tuesdays**.

Field Trip: We still need one more driver to the Milton House! I have confirmed Sara Hoefling, Heather Schiefelbein, and me. A few have shown some interest, so reach out if you would still like to. First come, first dibs! :)

Tuesday, February 24 - Milton House Museum

Students will get a tour through the underground railroad and explore local history.

Times: 12:30 departure after normal lunch, 3:10ish back at school

Address: 18 S Janesville Street, Milton

Notes: We will visit the gift shop after the tour, so students are allowed to bring money for purchases. Wear comfortable shoes for walking and dress in layers. We will be inside drafty buildings and cooler underground tunnels. About 3 drivers are needed.



Grateful to work with all of your families this year! ❤️

Check out our photo from Phoenix for a Day!



Thoughts from God's Word

Luke 9:28-36 About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John, and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, “Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” (He did not know what he was saying.) While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. A voice came from the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.” When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

For three years, Jesus’ disciples walked with him, talked with him, and ate with him. Although Jesus’ characteristics as true God could be seen in the miracles he performed, Jesus’ disciples mainly saw his attributes as true man. Now, as Jesus’ suffering and death approached, Jesus appeared before Peter, James, and John in all his glory. God spoke from heaven and confirmed that Jesus was his Son and the Savior. Jesus’ transfiguration was for the benefit of his disciples and us. We can be confident that the One who went to suffer and die for us really is our Savior. Since he is true God, he has the power and ability to forgive our sins, give us the victory over sin, death, and the devil, and take us to heaven. On Wednesday, we begin the season of Lent. During Lent, may God give us repentant hearts and open eyes to clearly see our God and Savior who has won salvation for us.

Important Dates

- Tuesday, February 17 - 5-8 Winter Concert at 6 PM, Dress to Impress, arrive at 5:45
- Wednesday, February 18 - Lent Begins; an opportunity to make time to worship our Savior and reflect on his suffering and death for our sins
- Thursday and Friday, February 19-20, no school
- Thursday, February 19 - 8th Grade Basketball Night

Subject Work This Week

- Bible History: God provided kings for Israel to lead them. The kings were to set an example for the Israelites by trusting God to guide and protect his people and preserve his promise to send the Savior.
- Doctrine: The Third Article talks about the work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit works through the gospel in Word and sacrament to bring us to faith and keep us in faith.
- Memory Work: Monday - Passages 10-12; Wednesday - Passages 13-15; Next Monday - Passages 16-18.
- 5-6 Geography: We will study various types of maps that help us to understand the products, roads, and elevation of various areas.
- 5-6 History: none this week
- 7-8 History: As America grew, it dreamed of stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean. This was called Manifest Destiny. America carried this out by acquiring territory, winning territory in wars, and moving settlers to the West. America was not always ethical in the means it used to carry out Manifest Destiny. The students will have an opportunity to analyze the growth of the United States.
- Literature: We will be reading the second half of our novel, *Indian Captive*. As we finish the novel, students should continue on their novel analysis charts in Google Classroom. At the end of the unit, the students will write a paper about what they learned from the novel. The paper will focus on the growth of the main

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

Bible History/Hymnology: We will continue to open our bible history class with “The Power of the Cross”. This is the hymn the students will be sharing during Lent at Bethany Lutheran Church. The 7th-grade class will review chapters 18 and 19 by watching a video clip on those chapters. They will then complete a worksheet.

7th Grade Literature: The 7th graders will continue their unit on Poetry. We will review “free verse” and the power of “I”. We will then focus on beginning inside while writing our poems. They will also continue their work on comprehension.

5th Math: The students have completed their first math book and will begin their second book this week. They will be studying fractions.

6th Math: The students this week will continue writing algebraic expressions. They will review solving one-step equations by adding and subtracting, and will be introduced to solving one-step equations by multiplying and dividing.

7th Math: The students will start a new chapter on fractions, decimals, and percentages.

8th Math: The students this week will be studying the rotation of shapes on coordinate planes.

Dates to Remember:

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 - **February 18: Late Start and Lent Begins**
 - **February 19-20: No School**
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8th- MR. METZGER (5-8 Science), glenn.metzger@crownoflifeacademy.org

Science Notes for Middle School

-The 5th and 6th grades have examined how the amount of surface water available and temperature changes affect the amount of rainfall in an area. Next up is how much wind plays a role in rainfall totals.

-The 7th and 8th grades designed tests last week to determine what changes the amount of potential and kinetic energy in a system. This week, they will be working toward a final determination about our foundational question, including creating models to explain the results of the tests that were designed.

8th Grade Notes

-With the short week, we will just have one lesson introducing the book of Ruth, and there won't be any memory work due this week. Psalm 29:10-11 will be the verses that are due next week, on Friday.

-In Literature, students should be done with their rough draft and first revision of their essay. We will spend this week seeking peer feedback, formatting, and publishing the final drafts of the essays. After the long weekend, we will be starting our next foundational book: *The Omnivore's Dilemma*.

-On Monday and Tuesday, there will be rehearsals from 2:00-3:00 for the winter concert, so there will be fewer opportunities for study hall and PE.

- Tuesday, Feb 17 - Winter Concert at 6 PM, Dress to Impress, Arrive at 5:45

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

Music – MRS. BECKER (5K-8 Music)

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We are getting ready for our Winter Concerts in February! On **February 17th @ 6 pm**, our 5th-8th graders will have an opportunity to perform! On **February 24th @ 6 pm**, our 1st-4th graders will also have an opportunity to perform! Students in both concerts are asked to “dress to impress”. Students will need to arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the concert.

Fine Arts Fair at Lakeside Lutheran High School is just around the corner on **April 11th and 12th**. Students in band and choir get to perform together!

Enrichments 5th-8th

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2nd trimester enrichments are going very well!
Here’s a look at Mrs. Thayer’s Follow the Word, not the Herd, and Mrs. Tomlin’s paper quilling!



ART - MR.HELGESTAD (5K-8)

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We are thrilled to have our K-8 artwork on display at the Hoard Museum in Fort Atkinson soon. The 64th Annual Mary Hoard Art Show for K-4 scholars opens on Feb 25 and runs through March 7. Part 2, showcasing grades 6-12, runs April 19 - May 2nd.

[SEE WHAT CLCA STUDENTS ARE STUDYING AND CREATING](#)

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

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We are in our new unit of pickleball!

K-4th grade will focus on balance, ball control, and how to grip their racquet this week.

5th-8th grade will finish up their line dance creations and then move into the forehand/backhand swing.

Athletics- MR. HOLCOMB: Athletic Director

Basketball/Cheer This Week

- **Practices:** Monday - 4:45-6:15 (A-Girls); Tuesday - no practices due to the winter concert; Wednesday 3:30-5:00 (A-Girls); Thursday - **Eighth Grade Night** - We want to recognize our eighth-grade players and their accomplishments. The A-girls will play St. John the Baptist from Jefferson at 5:00. The A-boys will play at 6:00. Please come to recognize our eighth-graders and cheer them on as they play.
- **Congratulations, A-Girls:** Our Lady Knights demonstrated incredible GRIT to overcome an eight-point halftime deficit and capture the BLAC Conference Tournament championship. The hours of practice were evident in your hard work and teamwork on the court. Congratulations on your victory. You represented your Savior, your school, and yourselves well.
- **Basketball Uniforms and Game Nights:** Basketball uniforms are never worn to or from games. For away games, we dress to impress (boys - dress pants, dress shirt or sweater, good shoes, possibly a tie; girls - dress, good-looking outfit, think what most girls did for volleyball). It is part of representing our Savior, our school, and ourselves. For home games, we dress for the home theme of the night or wear our warm-up shirts and khakis or decent-looking pants. Players change at the game site before their game. As soon as the game is done, we change back into our regular clothing for the evening. We look forward to giving a positive CLCA impression to our fans and visitors. Coaches will help to remind players of game dress code expectations.

→ **Cheer Season Ends:** Thank you, cheer coaches, cheerleaders, and parents, for a great season and an awesome pep rally. We appreciate the cheering and halftime performances. It meant a lot to our teams and fans. **Uniforms should be washed and turned in to Mr. Holcomb or the school office during the next two weeks.**

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 and the blessings that lie ahead!



**Student Leadership Council is hosting a one-week
HEALTHY HABITS challenge.**

**ARE
YOU...**

- Staying Hydrated?**
- Eating Fruits & Vegetables?**
- Getting Good Sleep?**
- Keeping Active?**



CHALLENGE DATES: February 23rd - 27th

DUE DATE: Tracker Sheets due in the office by March 2!

PRIZES: First-place prize for each grade division - Awarded March 6!

CLCA Bowl-A-Thon
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH
 8th Grade Class Trip Fundraiser

Rock River Lanes - Fort Atkinson
6:00-9:00pm
Raffle Prizes | Silent Auction | Family Fun
 Final Basket Draw at 8:30pm

**All students, families & friends are
welcome to come & attend this FUN event!**

*A Portion of
Food & Bowling
Sales will go
Back to
Our scholars!*

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2026 GRADES 1-8 FINE ARTS

FEB 17	TUESDAY Winter Concert Grades 5-8 w/Band, Choir 6PM - BEREA
FEB 24	TUESDAY Winter Concert Grades 1-4 6PM - BEREA
APR 09	THURSDAY Fine Arts Fair Preview Band /Choir /Solo & Ensembles 6PM - BEREA
APR 11-12	SAT - SUN FINE ARTS FAIR Band /Choir /Solo & Ensembles LAKESIDE LUTHERAN HS
APR 30	THURSDAY GRADES 1-4 SPRING MUSICAL 6PM - BEREA
MAY 07	THURSDAY Piano & Band SPRING RECITAL 6PM - BEREA

2026 Mary Hoard YOUTH ART SHOW

Hoard
HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Part 1: Grades K-5
Visit the Show: February 25 - March 7

Part 2: Grades 6-12
Visit the Show: April 19 - May 2