



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 #7 - September 29th, 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

CLCA 25-26 Information

We direct you to access important resources on our Parent Portal site for convenient access to ordering hot lunch and menus, SCRIP information, dress code updates, service opportunities, etc.

crownoflifeacademy.org/parents/

1st Quarter Mid-Term

CLCA 1st Quarter Midterm reports go home today, **Monday, Sept. 29, for our scholars in grades 5th-8th. As a reminder, this is also an eligibility check for our fall athletes.** Please review, sign, and return to school.

Berea Before-Care Reminder

For those who take part in our before-care program, just a reminder on 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 this same time, use the QR codes posted to check your child(ren) in via Brightwheel.

Last Home Vball Games!

Our last home volleyball games are on **Wednesday, October 1st!** This will also serve as parent night and 8th grade night! Our student section theme is "WHITE OUT! Come cheer on the Knights and **STUDENTS WEAR WHITE!** GO KNIGHTS!

New Parents & Mentor Families

Our New Parent Welcome Dinner is **tomorrow night - Tuesday, September 30th at 5:30pm.** We look forward to a great evening of fellowship and connection! [\[Click here to RSVP\]](#)

Green Shirt Day- TOMORROW!

September is Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month. In an effort to raise awareness and show our love and support for CLCA sixth grader, Ben, and his family, students and staff are encouraged to wear GREEN SHIRTS (uniform bottoms required) on **Tuesday, September 30.**

Singing Opportunities

We appreciate having the opportunity to say thank you to these congregations by singing songs about Jesus for them. Will you join us at **Bethany Lutheran on October 5th and Abiding Shepherd in Cottage Grove on the 12th?** We would love for you to bring your scholar to both of these singing opportunities. We do realize that the Cottage Grove campus is a drive; please consider carpooling with other families. [PLEASE R.S.V.P. here](#)

1-8 Violin Lessons

We are excited to announce that we have recently secured a violin instructor! Lessons will begin later this fall. Please complete the **VIOLIN SIGN-UP FORM.** so we can start putting together a schedule!

Upcoming CLCA Events

- Sept 29 - CC at Lakeside Lutheran HS
- Sept 30 - Green Shirt Day
- Sept 30 - New Family Welcome Dinner
- Oct. 1 - Home Vball - WHITE OUT!
- Oct 2 - 1st-2nd to Ebbert's
- Oct 5 - 1-8 Sings @Bethany 10:30 A.M.
- Oct 6 - Forensics Practice 3:30-4:15
- Oct 8 - Volleyball at Oconomowoc
- Oct 9 - CC at Fort High School

FORENSICS TEAM - Grades 5-8

Mrs. Oppermann and Mrs. Brown are encouraging ALL of our 5th-8th grade scholars to consider FORENSICS this fall!

There are 6 practices (Mon/Thurs, starting next week) and 2 meets (10/24 & 11/14). To learn more, check out this [Forensics Info Video](#) made by Mrs. Oppermann!

10/28 CLCA Parent Open Forum

Crown of Life Christian Academy will be holding its first required Parent Open Forum on Tuesday, October 28th at 6:00 PM at the Berea Campus. As part of our accountability with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, we host two open forums each year to give parents the opportunity to hear updates from administration and provide feedback. We invite all parents to attend and be part of the conversation.

Early Childhood Classrooms

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

This Week's Focus:

Theme: Scarecrows

Bible Lesson: Jacob Sees a Beautiful Dream

Fine Motor Development: Painting, Gluing, Tracing, Coloring



Social/Language: This week, students are building important social and language skills through songs, stories, and group activities. As we sing together, talk about scarecrows, count out loud, and take turns sharing, children are expanding their vocabulary, learning to express themselves, and practicing how to listen and cooperate with others—all while having fun!

Songs: 5 Crows All Shiny and Black (with movement and props), Tommy Thumb is Up (Movement/Interactive), 5 Little Scarecrows

Math: As they count from 1 to 5 during our interactive scarecrow song, they're practicing number recognition and sequencing. While painting, gluing, and creating their scarecrow crafts with tissue paper and googly eyes, children are exploring shapes, patterns, and one-to-one correspondence.

Science: Through the scarecrow theme, children explore natural materials and textures while painting and gluing, helping them learn about different materials and how they interact. Counting and sorting craft pieces promote problem-solving and classification skills. Singing about scarecrows and discussing their parts invites kids to observe and understand living things and their roles, laying a foundation for scientific thinking

**This week we are focusing on squares and the colors of the rainbow.

Teacher/Student, Small Group Time:

- Paper Plate Scarecrow Craft (Tissue Paper)
- Paper Bag Crow Puppet (Painting, Tracing, Gluing)
- Jesus Loves Me Interactive Activity and Coloring
- Bible Story Craft (Jacob's Beautiful Dream)
- **Songs:** Tommy Thumb is Up (Interactive/Movement), 5 Crows all shiny and black (Counting song with props)
- **Sensory Bin:** Scarecrow Theme (Hay, Buttons, Etc.)

Dates to Remember:

October 15th- Fieldtrip to Busy Barns



This week's Focus:

Theme: Scarecrows

Bible Lesson: Jacob's beautiful dream

Fine Motor Development: Cutting, Coloring

Literacy: Letter C,D,E Review



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Books: The Lonely Scarecrow, Let it Fall, The Little Scarecrow boy, Fall is for Friends, Mouse's First Fall, The Silly Scarecrow, I see fall, Brave Little Owl, Say What? Otis

Song of the week: 5 Crows all shiny and black

Get up and move: Dingle, Dangle Scarecrow, The Scarecrow song



I would like to share a quick update about something that we've been working on in our 3K classroom. Lately, we've been focusing on the importance of keeping our hands, and feet to ourselves and using gentle bodies when playing with friends. This includes avoiding things like tackling during play, and running in the building. Please know that we are not upset with any individual child, this is a developmentally appropriate area we're working on with the entire class. It's part of helping our little ones learn how to interact safely and kindly with one another. If you could help reinforce this message at home by talking with your child about safe and respectful play, I would greatly appreciate it. Thank you so much for your continued support, and trusting me with your children. God's Blessings!

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

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

Dates to Remember:

September 29th/30th- Vision and Hearing Screening

September 30- Green Shirt Day (Muscular Dystrophy)

October 15th- Fieldtrip to Busy Barns

4K- MRS.ERTMAN,
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Bible Lesson: Jacob Sees a Beautiful Dream



Memory Treasure: “surely I am with you always” Matthew 28:20

Literacy: Letter C is our focus this week. It’s the first in the series of letters which begin with the counter-clockwise arc. (We use the words “circle back” to help us learn this formation.) It’s really important that we learn to do this arc from top to bottom to help us learn other letter formations. Our nursery rhyme is Star Light, Star Bright.

Math: Numbers 6-10 are the focus this week. We will also review our position words.

Social Studies: We begin a new unit on Fall Changes. This week includes learning about trees and what happens to them in fall. The view from the Charles St side of school gives us lots of trees to look at to see the changing colors.

Important Dates:

September 29 & 30: Hearing and Vision Screenings

September 30: Green Day (wear green shirts and uniform bottoms)

October 15: Field Trip to Busy Barns

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

Crew is our student of the week this week!

Bible Lesson: Jacob Sees a Beautiful Dream (Genesis 27:41-28:22)

Memory Treasure: Surely I am with you always. (Matthew 28:20)

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

Nursery Rhyme: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Once I caught a fish alive...

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

Math: We are exploring patterns and working on recognizing our numbers.

Social Studies: We are learning about courage and respect, and that we can show love to others in the way we treat them.

Science: We are discovering more about plants, seeds and flowers.

Music: Some of the fun songs we are singing this week include “The Goldfish” and “Farmer in the Dell”.

Upcoming:

September 29 & 30: Hearing and Vision Screenings

September 30: Green Day (wear green shirts and uniform bottoms)

October 15: Field Trip to Busy Barns

Elementary Classrooms

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

Routines, Procedures, and Lots of Fun!



Tuesday morning your child will have their hearing and vision tested by nurses from the county. You do not need to do anything for this. This is a service that is done in all the schools every fall. Looking ahead, please let me know if you are wanting to attend our upcoming field trip in October. Due to the amount of little

scholars we are bringing we are asking that siblings and babies stay home on this adventure. Thank you for understanding! Any further questions about this field trip, please talk to me.

Math continues with modeling and counting 8,9,and 10. **Phonics** is a review as we start our brand new Science of Reading curriculum Monday! **Reading** has us discovering, "What makes each of us special?" **Writing** basics has us creating a sentence. **Science** has been fun discovering our senses, this week Taste and Sight. **ChristLight** teaches us to pray to God about our troubles and concerns, trusting that he WILL help us!



Add These to Your Calendar:

Sept.30: Hearing and Vision Screenings

Sept. 30 - Green Shirt Day (Uniform bottoms and any green shirt in honor of Muscular Dystrophy Month)

Oct 15: Field trip to Busy Barns

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

We are calling this week "Kindergarten Bootcamp!"



We are adding another reading rotation which means we have to get REALLY good at working and reading independently. We will spend time working on these new routines and procedures and practice practice practice! We have been VERY chatty the last two weeks so we will be working on following our classroom rules.

Looking ahead into October...if you are wanting to attend our field trip to Busy Barns, please let me know. However, due to the amount of scholars attending, we are asking that siblings stay home. Thank you for understanding!



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

Math: counting, modeling, and writing numbers 7, 8, 9

Phonics: reviewing some foundational skills such as rhyming, alliteration, blending and segmenting phonemes

Reading: Starting our NEW reading curriculum this week! We are identifying the problem and solution; learning new vocabulary words and discovering "What makes each of us special?"

Writing: We are storytellers! We will practice dictating stories and illustrating stories. We will learn all about sentences & creating sentences.

Science: We will study the seasons, sunlight, and weather.

Christ Light: This week we will learn about how God forgives the sins of all people through Jesus and we can show love to God by being truthful. Bible Stories: Jacob Lies to His Father; Jacob Sees A Beautiful Dream.

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Oct. 15: Field trip to Busy Barns

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

- **September 30 (Tuesday) – Green shirt day! (uniform bottoms)**
- **Oct. 5th – 1st–8th SING at Bethany Lutheran Church @ the 10:30am service [PLEASE R.S.V.P. here](#)**
- **October 2- Field Trip to Ebert's Greenhouse**
- **October 24 - Field Trip to LLHS**

- **October 29th - End of First Quarter**
- **October 30 & 31 - No School - Teacher Professional Development**

Math: Continuing Chapter 2 - fluency and strategies within 10

Reading: Problem and solution - whole group reading; understanding our character - decodable text

Social Studies: Rules and Laws

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

Phonics: Short vowel review (all) in CVC and words with blends

Christ Light: This week we will learn that God always does what he says. We will also learn to confess our sins to God and know that he forgives them.

Memory Work:

September 30: 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

October 2: 8th Commandment You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

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

It's field trip week!! We are going to Ebert's Greenhouse on Thursday. Here are the details that you will need to know:

1. The bus will leave CLCA at 9:15 and return at 1:00.
2. Each student will need a sack lunch. Please use disposable containers if possible.
3. Each student will be getting a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch. Please have your student bring a pillow case to carry the pumpkin.
4. Each student needs to wear a blue polo, uniform bottoms and a good pair of walking shoes.

Dates to Remember:

- **September 30 (Tuesday) - Green shirt day! (uniform bottoms)**
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What are we learning?

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Memory Work:

September 30: 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

October 2: 8th Commandment You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

Math: 2nd grade is continuing to add 2 digit numbers. We have been working on various strategies when adding 2 digit numbers. 1st grade is working on fluency and strategies within 10.

Reading: 2nd grade will read a story called Animals Building Homes. The target reading skill we will be working on is Text and Graphic Features. 1st grade will work on problem and solution

Science: We will be starting our first unit this week!

Writing: We start learning about Informative writing pieces.

Phonics: 2nd grade will learn - ed and -ing endings. 1st grade will learn short vowel review (all) in CVC and words with blends.

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

It's field trip week!! We are going to Ebert's Greenhouse on Thursday. Here are the details that you will need to know:

5. The bus will leave CLCA at 9:15 and return at 1:00.
6. Each student will need a sack lunch. Please use disposable containers if possible.
7. Each student will be getting a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch. Please have your student bring a pillow case to carry the pumpkin.
8. Each student needs to wear a blue polo, uniform bottoms and a good pair of walking shoes.

20/20 Reading Club for September ends on Tuesday. The students will have an October calendar in their binders on Wednesday.

Dates to Remember:

- **October 2nd: Field Trip to Ebert's; leaving at 9:15 and returning at 1:00**
- **October 5: Singing at Bethany Church @ 10:30 Service [PLEASE R.S.V.P. here](#)**
- **October 24th: Field Trip to Lakeside Lutheran High School**
- **October 29th: End of the 1st Quarter**
- **October 30/31: No School- Teachers Conference**

What are we learning?

Christ Light: This week we will learn that God always does what he says. We will also learn to confess our sins to God and know that he forgives them.

Memory Work:

September 30: 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

October 2: 8th Commandment You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

Math: We are continuing to add 2 digit numbers. We have been working on various strategies when adding 2 digit numbers.

Reading: We will read a story called Teacher's Pet. The target reading skill we will be working on is Story Structure. The target reading strategy will be how to visualize.

Social Studies: Our American Symbols are almost finished. They look great and I can't wait to hang them so everyone can see them.

Science: This week we will focus on the life cycle of a spider.

Writing: We have finished our narratives. Our next writing project will be an opinion piece.

Phonics: - ed and -ing endings

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

Hello week 7! The Month of September flew by, hello fall and October... The 3rd graders will have a busy week of fall activities and fun while I am gone Tuesday evening through Friday. If you need to reach me, please know my response may be delayed later this week/weekend.

- **Sept 30 - Green Shirt Day**
- **Oct 5 - 1-8 Sings @Bethany 10:30 A.M. [Please RSVP here](#)**
- **October 1-3rd: Mrs Thayer Gone- Judy Schmidt will be subbing**
- **October 29 - End of First Quarter**
- **October 30/31: No School- Teachers Conference**

Christ Light: 5B God answers Abraham's Prayer and 6A God Tests Abraham's Faith

Memory Work: Tues (None) and Thurs. (1 Peter 5:7)

Math: Unit 13- assessment, fall math activities



Reading: intro to "Bat Loves the Night" and Bat anatomy

Spelling: No spelling sorts this week with Mrs. Thayer gone

Social Studies: Fall craft, Fall science activity, Magic School Bus Episode with Sub

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

I can't believe we are at the end of September and heading into October! Although the temperatures don't feel that way. Looking forward to another week with each of your scholars growing in God's grace. Congratulations to TJ and Adrian for their Crown Awards on Friday. Keep serving your Savior boys!

Dates to remember:

- **September 30th-Green shirt day**
- **October 5th-1-8 sings at Bethany-10:30 service [Please RSVP here](#)**
- **October 29-End of First Quarter**
- **October 30-31st-No School; Teacher's Conference**

What we are learning in 4th Grade:

Christ Light: We will continue to look at the story of Abraham and how our Savior eventually comes from his family. We will talk about how God keeps his promises always.

Memory work-Tuesday, September 30th; Proverbs 3:5 and Address to the Lord's Prayer and Thursday, October 2nd; Matthew 22:37 and 1st Commandment with Explanation

Reading: We will finish up reading the play [The Power of W.O.W.](#) and looking at how the characters, their actions, and the setting all help us determine a theme.

Grammar: Verbs will be our grammar lessons this week.

Writing: We will be focusing on supporting ideas in our writing and specifically for our paragraphs. We will work on making sure our ideas support the topic and help to make the paragraph more interesting.

Math: Math will have us working on problem solving using addition and subtraction. We will work through finding what we know, what we need to know, and how to solve those tricky word problems. We will continue our math practice using Xtra math. Congratulations to those students who are well on their way to the goal of 40 minutes each month!

Social Studies: We will be diving into Pre-Columbian peoples in North America. Students will get the opportunity to look at different Native American cultures and how the environment affected each group.

Middle School Classrooms

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

↓ TO THE POINT DATES

- September 29: Midterms released
- September 30: Green Shirt Day for Muscular Dystrophy Support
- October 29: End of 1st Quarter
- October 30-31: No School



- Every day: God is Good!

📌 LEARN AND GROW

CHRIST LIGHT: We'll read the stories of Isaac and Rebecca and how Jacob deceived his brother. Memory Work Link is [HERE](#). The class will recite Memory Work #3 this Wednesday. Please consider bringing your scholar to sing at Bethany or Abiding Shepherd these upcoming weeks. [PLEASE R.S.V.P. here](#)

ELA 5+6: This week's sketchnotes feature -ancy, -ency, -ance, and -ence. We'll dive back into grammar studies with verbs and adverbs. Next, we're working on using opinion words and phrases in a Would You Rather... writing prompt.

ELA 7+8: The class will dive into Roots 4 this week called Around We Go! We're working on parts of an argumentative writing (without being threatening) through Would You Rather... writing prompts. In grammar, we'll work through the different kinds of sentences, subjects, and predicates.

LITERATURE: We're reading the book *PIE* by Sarah Weeks—and what a treat it is! The class is learning about similes, making predictions, and answering questions with evidence from the text.

CATEGORIES: List 5 foods that are red.

📌 STAY SHARP REMINDERS

On [Monday](#), midterm grades will be handed out. Your fifth grader is expected to take this home, get it signed by a parent, and return it back within two days. This is for eligibility checks for athletics and clubs. It's always a great time to check in on late assignments and efforts that could be made to make improvements.

Send gym clothes in on Mondays and Tuesdays.

6th- MR. HOLCOMB (5-8 Social Studies), mark.holcomb@crownoflifeacademy.org

Thoughts from God's Word

Ephesians 1:3 "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ."

If you were asked, "How have you been blessed?" What would you answer? Would you think of possessions like homes, cars, electronics, or bank accounts? Would you think of people like your spouse, children, friends, or relatives? Would you think of necessities like food, clothing, or shelter? These truly are blessings from God, but they are all temporary. Paul reminds us in our Bible verse that we possess every spiritual blessing. Last week our CLCA students listed many of them: faith, forgiveness of sins, God's Word, God's continual presence, Baptism, the Lord's Supper, life as a child of God, eternal life in heaven, sanctified and made holy by God. These blessings never fade or go away. These blessings are in Christ. We have them because through our Savior's death and resurrection, he made us heirs of eternal life. Let us praise God for and grow in the spiritual blessings he has graciously given us.

Important Dates

- **Monday, September 29 – Mid-term grades go home. Please sign and return them.**
- **Tuesday, September 30 – Green Day**

Subject Work This Week

- **Bible History:** God kept his promise to Abraham and gave him a son. Isaac was not just any son but the one through whom God would send the Savior into the world.
- **Doctrine:** In the Second Commandment, God commands us to protect his good name and reputation. We do this not only by our speech but also by living lives that bring honor and glory to him.
- **Memory Work:** Monday - Passages 15-16; Tuesday - the Second Commandment; Wednesday - Passages 17-18; next Monday - Passages 19-20
- **5-6 History/Geography:** We are studying a variety of maps. The African country culture charts are due on Friday. We will begin a study of Russia.
- **7-8 History:** The colonies had survived the French and Indian War. The war had been costly, and the King of England expected the colonies to help pay for their defense. The colonies did not necessarily oppose taxes. They

just wanted a say in their government if they were being taxed. Lines were drawn both in England and the colonies over the issue that led up to the Revolutionary War.

→ **Literature:** We are reading the novel *Where the Red Fern Grows*. The students have a guide packet to fill out with each chapter. The students will be able to use their notes for quizzes on the novel. This week chapters 12=15.

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



Special note: On Tuesday, October 7th, the 7th grade class will be visiting the Bethany Campus as part of our Jr. Olympic/PBIS activities. During this time, students will have the opportunity to read, journal, and play with the preschool and kindergarten scholars. We will depart from the Berea Campus at 1:30 PM and return by 2:30 PM. No drivers are needed.

Bible History/Hymnology: This week will begin Bible history by praising God through the singing of our new worship song "Your Way's Better". We will do a mini review on Acts Chapters 1-5 by watching a video that summarizes what we have learned so far. We then will study Chapter 6 and answer questions.

7th Grade Literature: We continue to read and study our first novel, *Black Radishes* by Susan Lynn Meyer. *Black Radishes*, is a powerful historical novel set in Nazi-occupied France. This story not only offers engaging characters and a compelling plot, but it also provides meaningful opportunities to discuss themes such as courage, identity, and resilience. As we read, students will be challenged to think critically, make personal connections, and deepen their understanding of both history and literature. We will also be working on summarizing the chapters by completing a diary from the characters point of view.

5th Math: The class will review and will be tested on numerical expressions. Their new study will be estimating, and calculating sums and differences.

6th Math: The class is currently mastering adding and subtracting decimals and will then move on to multiplying and dividing decimals.

7th Math: The class is currently working on dividing rational numbers. Their test on Chapter 2 will be early next week.

8th Math: The class will be reviewing slope and then begin a new study on graphing proportional relationships and slope-intercept form.

Dates to Remember:

- **September 30th green shirt for Muscular Dystrophy Awareness**
 - **October 5: Singing at Bethany Church @ 10:30 Service [PLEASE R.S.V.P. here](#)**
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Science Notes for Middle School

-All of 5-8 are moving into the third out of four chapters in their opening units this week. 5th & 6th will be starting to learn about twins and gene inheritance, while 7th & 8th grades are looking at the effects on populations when there is competition over resources in an ecosystem.

8th Grade Notes

-With the conclusion of our study of Abraham, we are taking time this week for our first assessment of our Heroes of Faith class. Students may use their Bibles and notes to help them. Our memory work passage for the week is due on Friday. This week's passage is Micah 6:1. In addition to memorizing the passage, students are expected to know who is speaking, who is being addressed, the context of the passage, and how it might be used in sharing God's Word with others.

-This week will hopefully see our final practice lessons leading up to our first assessment in Literature class. Students will be identifying the meaning of words based on the context in which they are used, answering focus questions with detailed explanations and evidence from the text, and comparing a scene from the play with a clip from the movie *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (1999). Students may use their assignments as examples of how to write their responses.

-I try not to repeat information from the front page, but if you have the chance to sign up to sing at one (or both!) of the churches over these next two Sundays, I would encourage you to do so. I've noticed that our student body really looks up to the 8th graders, and it would be a wonderful opportunity for them to be leader-examples by sharing the song they've been working on in Music class. If you're unable to make it, I hope you are finding opportunities to worship with your children somewhere this weekend.

-Thank you Mr. Lange, Mr. Stelzer, Mrs. Baldry, Mrs. Jilek, and Mrs. Austin for chaperoning the Camp Phillip field trip last week. The students arrived at school on Tuesday thoroughly exhausted and full of stories, which we got to share throughout the rest of the week. I'm enjoying the progress the group has made through this first month of school, and look forward to all the growth they are going to achieve as we keep working toward getting ready for high school.

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

Music – MRS. BECKER (5K-8 Music)

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Music is off to a great start! We've been having fun singing songs and playing games!

• Upcoming Performances:

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

Enrichments 5th-8th

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Enrichments have started and our scholars are off to a great start! 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!

[SEE A RECENT FACEBOOK POST ON ELECTIVES](#)

- 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
- Ukulele's - Mrs. Becker

ART - MR.HELGESTAD (5K-8)

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CLCA students are officially beginning their artistic journey this week!

Within every unit, Week 1 is set aside to engage in content & knowledge. In the weeks that follow, students will demonstrate their understanding of the unit's goals by using their unique, God-given talents to create works of art and design.

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

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

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This is our last week in soccer:

- Lower elementary is learning basic game rules to soccer. They will also be assessed on their dribbling and passing skills.
- Middle school students are reviewing rules and practicing soccer skills in a game of soccer. They will have their **end of the unit quiz** on soccer rules at the end of the week.

Athletics- MR. HOLCOMB: Athletic Director

Coaches Needed

- **Boys Volleyball:** We are looking for a coach or coaches to lead our boys volleyball team. Practices would be after school the week of October 27, with a volleyball tournament on Sunday, November 2 (late morning and afternoon) Please let Mr. Holcomb know if you are interested.
- **B-Girls Basketball:** We need coaching help for our fifth and sixth-grade girls basketball team for the winter season. There are two practices a week and one tournament on a Saturday in January. Please let Mr. Holcomb know if you are interested in helping out.

Cross Country

- **Meet Results:** Our team ran well at the Lake Mills Meet. We should know the results soon.
- **Practices:** Tuesday through Friday 3:30-4:15
- **Next Meet:** Monday, September 29, at Lakeside Lutheran High School in Lake Mills. The address is 231 Woodland Beach Road, Lake Mills, WI 53551. Runners will need to leave class at 2:45 p.m.

Volleyball

- **Match Results:** On Wednesday, the team played well against Trinity-St. Luke's. The B-team girls lost a close match, and the A-team girls won.
- **Next Match:** On Wednesday, our girls will play against St. Paul's Lake Mills at CLCA. Fifth-grade girls play at 4; sixth-grade girls play at 5; and the A-team plays at 6.

Soccer

- **Tournament Results:** Our soccer team finished up its season with well-played games in the conference tournament. We thank Pastor Wessel and Mrs. Tomlin for their coaching and hard work. Soccer players are reminded to wash and turn in their uniforms to Mr. Holcomb as soon as possible.

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 11:35am.
- **One Dad to Another:** Calling all dads! The first of our workshops this year will focus on what God has to say to us as fathers, grandfathers, and sons. Join us for a morning of God's promises and encouragement. Breakfast will be provided. We hope you will join us at the Berea Campus cafeteria on October 11, from 8:30–10:00am. All dads are welcome!

Thankful for another week of God's Grace!



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