



**October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Mission Statement** St. Peter Lutheran School exists to help parents bring up their children in the training and instruction of the Lord, to provide academic excellence using God’s Word, and to share the Gospel of Christ with the world.

**Church Singing:**

Sunday, November 5 <sup>th</sup>	Grs 5-8	10:30am @ Immanuel Waupaca
Sunday, November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Grs 3-4	10:30am
Sunday, November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Grs K-2	10:30am

**Mr. Miller’s Classes**

Grades 5-6 will have a test next week Tuesday (10.24.23). It will cover lessons 1-12. Part of the test will include writing memory work involving Commandments 1-3. Grades 3-4 excitedly began the creation of pumpkin wagons last week. I can’t wait to see their completed pieces. Grade 8 Math started their new unit. The very first example question was: ‘ You have 36 yards of fabric. You want to make placemats 1 1/3 yards in length as well as napkins 1/6 yard in length. How many matching sets of placemats and napkins can you make from the fabric?’

**Hot Lunch**

We have been having issues with the commercial stove in the kitchen. It is 30+ years old and after 3 ‘repairs’ since the start of school it probably needs replacing. Its replacement may take a while to obtain. Supply issues could play a factor. Please be patient with Mrs. Rodencal as menu items may change from time-to-time as she only has one working oven at present time. The one ‘working’ oven tends to overheat.

**Video Games**

I have seen students on their devices playing video games before school while waiting to be allowed to go to their classrooms. I have heard of students playing video games long into the night. I have attempted a game or two and wouldn’t put them down because they can be addictive. This week’s article found in Forward in Christ speaks to the challenges and blessings of video games. It is entitled “Parent Conversations: What do parents need to know about video games?’ and can be found at this link [FORWARD IN CHRIST](#).

**After School Pick-up**

There have been three cones with a line of flags set-up in the parking lot to create an open ‘safe-space’ for kids to saunter through to their parents at the end of each school day. Those cones and flags will be removed at the end of October in preparation for ‘snow plowing’. Once

they are removed, please continue to keep that space free of parked vehicles AND do not travel through that area with your vehicle upon departure. Everyone has done a great job during pick-up. **PLEASE CONTINUE TO WATCH OUT FOR KIDS AT ALL TIMES WHEN YOU ARE ENTERING OR LEAVING THE PARKING LOT!**

### **Mission Offerings**

Our first semester mission this year is Martin Luther College (MLC) located in New Ulm, Minnesota. This college is our Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod's teacher-staff minister-pastor training college. All who graduate from there are of the same faith in Jesus Christ. All of St. Peter's teachers have either graduated from there or have/are taking courses via MLC to become synodically certified. Each teacher at St. Peter, teaches the same thing about salvation through Jesus to the students. What a blessing that is. Students' mission offerings given at chapel and collected from the October 25 walk-a-thon will be going to MLC's tuition assistance fund which helps pay for 'some' of students costs while they attend the college. This is one way we at St. Peter can encourage men and women to consider becoming a teacher-staff minister-pastor. They are desperately needed in congregations and schools throughout our synod.

**FALL FESTIVAL – FAMILY FUN NIGHT** Join us for a Fall Festival on Friday, October 20, 2023, from 5:00-8:00 pm at St. Peter Lutheran School. This is a family friendly event with a bounce house, games & crafts, treats & more! We ask that you RSVP to the office by October 13th with how many will be attending. All proceeds will go toward St. Peter's "His Children, Our Mission" building project.

**St. Peter's 2nd school-wide Walk-A-Thon, "Miles for Missions"** will be held on Wednesday, October 25th, 1-2PM. 4K students do not have class on October 25th but we are inviting you to come and participate from 1-2PM with your St. Peter's Flock. Last year the students completed 1,340 laps which is equivalent to 335 miles (traveling from) St. Peter's, Weyauwega to Lafayette, Indiana. **Students should bring a water bottle to use during the event, and they may also wear shorts.** If we have inclement weather, students will participate in the gym completing their laps during the morning.

Inclement weather schedule for the gym:

8:00-8:30 am Kindergarten and 4K Students

8:30-9:00 am Grade 1

9:00-9:30 am Grade 2

9:30-10:00 am Grades 3-4

10:00-10:30 am Grades 5-6

10:30-11:00 am Grades 7-8

**All Students Flock Shirts:** The next time your child needs to wear their flock t-shirts will be: Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Trunk or Treat:** Trunk or Treat will be held on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:00-5:30pm in the west church parking lot. We will need vehicles to be set up, and if you want to help but cannot participate, please bring in your candy donation to the office or put it into the donation box in the narthex. Please contact Amber Curtis or Darren Carson if you have any questions.

**St. Peter Cheer is Back!** Practices are starting next week, information will be sent to those who have signed up. We will be learning new cheers and moves, but also looking for anyone who know the pep squad moves, cheers and chants and would want to show us, or if you could share a video of the pep squad in action at a game. We are very excited about teaching a fun Christian way to support our school. Please reach out to either JoAnn Pankow 920-249-0252 [jcpankow@ymail.com](mailto:jcpankow@ymail.com), or Lisa Forster 920-538-0421, [lforster82@gmail.com](mailto:lforster82@gmail.com).

## *Classroom News:*

**4K News:** This week in 4K we are talking about Moses and how God kept him safe and how God has a plan for him. We are talking about the letter F and we made a flamingo and a fox. We finished our story of The Three Bears. We had to sort the characters for Little Red Riding Hood and The Three Bears. We are going to start a new story, La Tortuga. In science we are talking about pumpkins and the shape and color.

**Kindergarten News:** We are in full swing of blending words and reading. Please keep practicing 2 letter blends and how to build words off of them at home. The more we practice the faster fluency will build! Thank you to everyone for working hard on those reading calendars too! Boom orders due Monday.

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade News:** We have finished our bat unit and Christopher Columbus unit this week. Math fact quizzes will start October 30th. Please have your child dress comfortably and in their flock t-shirt next Wednesday the 25th. No school next Thursday and Friday!!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade News:** 2nd grade is staying busy! We are just wrapping up with our milkweed bugs and almost ready to jump into a new science unit. We were excited to perform a Reader's Theater (play) for our classmates in social studies earlier this week. The students are also eager to learn about a new Superkid in our reading book!

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade News:** One of the things our class learned this week was the creation of posters using Google Drawings. Each student designed a digital poster as a welcome for Friday's Fall Fun Night. We plan to work together on Friday to use one of our digitally designed posters as a template to create a larger welcome poster for the family fun night in our art class.

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade News:** October 25 is end of first quarter! Students have been reminded to continue to work hard on their daily work and turn it in on time. Part of our morning routine is to check Gradelink, therefore students should know where they stand in each of their classes. Please check with your child to ensure they are doing this, so there are no surprises. This week we began a new vocabulary unit. We are working on prefixes, suffixes, and root words. Students will have a vocabulary quiz on Fridays. Please keep working on vocabulary and spelling at home too.