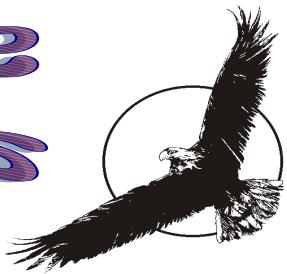


Salem Eagle Expressions

A QUALITY EDUCATION UNDER A CARING CHRIST



UPCOMING DATES

November 4 – 8

SAT Testing Grades 3 – 8



OUR PRINCIPAL

SAT TESTING NOVEMBER 4 - 8 GRADES 3 – 8

This year we will do 2 major tests. The SAT (Stanford Achievement Testing) in the Fall (Nov. 4 – 8, Grades 3 – 8) and the Iowa Test of Basic Skills in the Spring (April, Grades K – 8).

These tests will give us a better indicator of the progress your child is making in comparison to other students across the nation who take the same test for that particular testing period.

Please make sure your child gets plenty of rest and eats a good breakfast on these testing weeks. Thank you.

CHAPEL OFFERING 2ND QUARTER

Chapel offering for 2nd Quarter will go to St. Matthews Lutheran School in the city for people in need of food. We will also collect canned goods and nonperishable food items.

Our goal is to collect 2,019 items by December 19. Watch in the school entryway as the canned goods grow. We need your help!

BOBO'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 13

11:30 – 1:30PM

Thank you fundraiser sellers! Wednesday, November 13 is the date to go to Adrenaline Zone. See the attachment for all the students who will be going.

We will do the money machine when the students return from Adrenaline Zone. The list for the money machine is also attached.

Thank you again for all your help!

SCHOOL PICTURES

Picture re-takes were distributed on Friday, November 1. Lifetouch also sent extra pictures, so some kids may be getting some more.

VETERAN'S DAY

November 11 is Veteran's Day. See attachment for a star to cut out and a note of explanation. If you need another star, please visit the school office.

We are so thankful to all our service people for their sacrifices! Thank you!

DON'T FORGET! DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS

Don't forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday night before you go to bed.



ACCELERATED READER

Our Accelerated Reader board will be going up in the next couple of weeks. Our AR board stays up all year. The AR board is located next to the gym.

Accelerated Reader goals are set by the classroom teacher each quarter based on your child's reading ability. If the student reaches his/her goal by the end of the quarter, they will receive a sticker on their bookmark.

We are also doing a "Word Wall" board for our Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, and Kindergarten.

Each student will have a bookmark on the Word Wall board in the hallway next to the Accelerated Reader board.

Each Pre-K and Kindergarten teacher has identified goals for their classroom related to sounds or words. For instance, here are 4 words – can you say them or what is the sound of this letter, etc. If the student is successful at the end of the quarter, they will be given a shining star sticker which will be put up on their bookmarks in the hallway for each quarter.

I would like to encourage you to find your child's name and picture and see if they have their sticker that indicated they have reached their 1st Quarter goals. We will do the same thing for the 2nd – 4th Quarters.

Congratulations to all our students who reached their AR Goal for 1st Quarter! Congratulations also to our Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, and Kindergarten students for reaching their Shining Star goals! (See attachment)



OUR TEACHERS

4TH GRADE

This week we learned about the Reformation of the Church that began on October 31, 1517 with our books, "Martin Luther: Life & Legacy". We celebrated Reformation Day with a little party on Thursday. Next week we will learn how "God Gives Hannah a Son" in 1 Samuel 1, how "God Gives Israel Its First King" in 1 Samuel 10:20-24; 11:12-15; 15, how "Goliath Threatens Israel" in 1 Samuel 17, and how "David Slays Goliath" in 1 Samuel 17. We memorized Philippians 4:6 and 1 John 1:8-9. We'll be memorizing Psalm 118:14 and Psalm 70:1.

We've read about how the orange buffalo almost became extinct with "The Buffalo Are Back" by Jean Craighead George, and we learned about the forest food chain by reading "Energy in the Ecosystem" in our "Wonders Literature Anthology" books. We also read about "Rescuing Our Reefs" and "Animal Adaptations" with our "Wonders Reading/Writing Workshop" books.

We're learning about the digestive, circulatory, respiratory, skeletal, and muscular systems of the human body in Science.

During Social Studies we've learned about "The Hopi" and "Herders of the Gobi Desert". We'll be learning about the "Arrival of the Spanish" and "The Rise of Ranching" as we continue to study the history of the Southwest of the United States with our Social Studies books, "Our Country's Regions".

We're memorizing the multiplication facts; working with square roots; identifying right,

acute, and obtuse angles; and finding the area of squares and rectangles in Math.

In English we've learned how to spell the plural forms of "Nouns Ending with y" and how to spell the "special plural forms" of other nouns like child, man, woman, foot, tooth, ox, goose, mouse, deer, moose, and sheep.

Last night many Christians celebrated All Hallows Eve or "Halloween", a night that is meant to be hallowed or holy because it is the night before All Saints' Day when we remember those who have died believing in Christ and have gone before us to heaven. We were able to celebrate All Saints' Day today with a little food from south of the boarder prepared by our consultant, Mrs. Spanglet. Thank you, Mrs. Spanglet, for the delicious food.

The Reformation was celebrated in Salem's church this past Sunday and Monday. Salem will be celebrating All Saints' Sunday this Sunday, November 3rd, during the 10:00 worship service. You're welcome to join the Saints of Salem in worship every Sunday! Bunches of blessings to you on this All Saints' Day!!!

Mrs. Schulz and Salem's Fantastic 4th Grade Class

5TH GRADE

The first quarter has ended and I am so thankful for the good start that we've had. It was a pleasure to meet with all the parents and grandparents of the 5th graders at conference time. God has given you an important role in the lives of these children and it will be interesting to see what they become someday. I am looking forward to a fun year of growth and learning.

In Reading, the students are finishing up their biographies using the "Who Was/Is" books that are in my classroom. Besides the written report, they also have to do an oral report which includes a sock puppet that represents their person. So far, I have really enjoyed listening to their speeches and feel that we've learned a lot from them.

In Math, we are working on division. We are so thrilled because all the students achieved 60/60 on their timed tests! Now we are now trying to improve on their times. In Social Studies, we have moved on to explorers and are learning about how our 13 colonies came into existence. In English, the students have been working on sentences and structure and how to properly combine sentences. They've also written two, 3 point paragraphs. Hopefully their writing skills will improve because of this.

I'm still looking forward to the Cahokia Mounds trip. I am praying for better weather on the next day that we get planned. Thanks for your flexibility in trying to make this happen.

God's blessings and continued success for our school year.

Ms. Mansfield

