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Upcoming Events:

Thur Feb 24 2:30 pm Pep Rally

Fri Feb 25 NO SCHOOL

Fri Feb 25 3:15 pm Cougars at MLC tournament

Sun Feb 27 8 & 10:30 am Worship

Sun Feb 27 9:15 am Sunday School

Mon Feb 28 6:30 pm PTF meeting **Pep Rally:** All parents and fans of the Cougars are invited to join us for the pep rally at 2:30 PM on Thursday.

Tournament Information: Our A basketball team will begin their tournament play this Friday, February 25, at Martin Luther College at 3:15 PM against Belle Plaine. You are encouraged to park in the Chapel Lot/Event Parking nearest the gymnasium at MLC. A map of the campus and the city of New Ulm as well as player passes were sent home today.

Basketball Pictures: MLC would like to send each of our players home from the tournament with a team picture as a souvenir and reminder of their participation. We are scheduled to have our team photo taken at 2:45 PM on Friday, February 25th on the stage in the gymnasium at MLC. This is prior to our first game. Parents please have your player at the college promptly at 2:30 so they can be dressed and ready before 2:45. The photographer will not be able to wait for any late arrivals. Everyone photographed will receive a complimentary souvenir photo card.

Tournament Potluck: Basketball players, parents and fans are invited to the Microtel Hotel for a potluck supper on Friday at 5:30 PM. (Our first game is at 3:15 PM on Friday.) Please bring a dish or two to pass (including serving spoons) and your own beverage. Table service (plates, napkins, forks) will be provided. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Onken at lonken@christlutheran-marshallmn.org or call the office.

Special Menu on Thursday: The A basketball team has selected a special menu for this Thursday. It will include chili cheese dogs, baked potatoes with all the fixings, strawberries, and dirt and worms (with extra worms!)

PTF: The PTF will meet on Monday, February 28 at 6:30 PM. All parents, teachers and friends of Samuel are invited and encouraged to attend.

Birthdays this month!!



Orchestra Concert: Grades K-8 will be attending an orchestra concert, presented by the Southwest Minnesota Orchestra and Friends of the Orchestra, at the Marshall High School on Thursday morning, March 3^{rd} . The concert will include *Tubby the Tuba*, a movement of *Painting By Numbers* and movements from Mozart's *Symphony No. 40*. We will be leaving at 9:00 AM and will return approximately 10:45 AM. We still need drivers. If you are willing to drive for this event, please let your child's teacher or the office know. Thanks!

Kindergarten Community Helpers

POST OFFICE WORKERS ARE COMMUNITY HELPERS

Mrs. Nobles, the Post Master in Marshall, gave us a tour of the Post Office. She met us in the front part of the Post Office where she showed us the post office boxes. These are used by people who don't get their mail at home. Lots of businesses use them, too. If you have one of these boxes, you get a key to unlock it. There are different sizes of boxes. Regular people have small boxes and businesses have bigger boxes because they get more mail. Next we got to go in the back part where they were working. She showed us the post office boxes from the back. They are all open so they can be filled with mail. Some had covers because they were not being used. Mrs. Nobles showed us some of the new stamps that you can buy to use on letters. One had pictures of dogs and cats. She showed us where the mail goes when you put it into the slots out front. Your mail goes into a big basket. Then they sort this mail by size and put it in bigger baskets called hampers. These hampers are picked up by trucks and the mail is taken to St. Cloud. In St. Cloud big machines turn all the letters so the stamps are all in the same corner. Then another machine sorts the mail by zip code and gets it ready to be sent back to the right post office so it can be delivered to your house. It is VERY IMPORTANT to put a ZIP code on letters. You also need to put a return address on your envelope so it can be returned to you if something isn't right. We got to see where the trucks come in to deliver or pick up mail. It was really cold out there. There were a lot of empty hampers there. They are waiting to be filled with mail when the trucks come in. Next, Mrs. Nobles showed us where the mail carriers sort all the mail they have to deliver. We saw where Landon's, Elena's, and Randi's mail is kept until it goes to their houses. Some of the slots had colored papers in them. This shows that a person at that house is gone for a while so the post office keeps their mail. We also saw yellow boxes that had mail in them. They had addresses on the front and the word SNOW on them. This means that the mail carrier could not deliver the mail to these homes because the sidewalks hadn't been shoveled. Mrs. Nobles also showed us special covers that strap to a mail carrier's shoes that have screws in them. The mail carrier puts these on so it is safer to walk on ice and hard packed snow. We also got to see one of the bags that a city carrier uses to deliver mail. It had a lot of room inside for all the mail. It also had a special spray that they can use if a dog tries to bite them. Last, we got to see the big vault where they keep extra stamps and money. Everything gets locked up at night. We learned a lot about the post office and what the workers do. We will try to help you by keeping sidewalks clean and remembering to address envelopes the right way. Thank-you for your work as community helpers.

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DOCTORS AND NURSES ARE COMMUNITY HELPERS

Mrs. Flock came and talked to us about her job as our school nurse. As our school nurse, she weighs and measures us to be sure that we are growing the way we should. She checks our eyes and ears to be sure they are healthy so we can learn better. She also keeps track of all the shots we have had. It is very important to have all your shots so you stay healthy. She talked to us about what we can do to stay healthy. You need to eat the right foods, get plenty of exercise and you also need to get lots of sleep. Mrs. Flock has worked in a lot of different places as a nurse. She got to deliver babies and has also worked helping people after they broke some bones. Now she works at a nursing home taking care of people who are sick or old and can't take care of themselves. Nurses can do many things. They can give you medicine if you are sick so you can get better. They can teach people how to stay healthy by eating the right foods. They can give you shots so you don't get bad diseases. Nurses can help doctors by checking people in the hospitals then telling the doctor how they are doing. Mrs. Flock brought stethoscopes so we could listen to our hearts and lungs. Nurses and doctors are important community helpers. Thank-you Mrs. Flock!