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Giving Thanks to God for Many Years of Grace

Samuel
Lutheran
School



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Upcoming Events:

Wed May 1
7:00 pm Spring
Program

Thur May 2
6:30 pm Piano
Recital

Fri May 3
NO SCHOOL
9:00 am Track Meet

Sun May 5
8 & 10:30 am
Worship
9:15 am Sunday
School

Tues May 7
6:30 pm Activities
Banquet

Wed May 8
8:20 am Chapel

Our Feature Family: The Blums Morgan

Morgan started attending Samuel in January. Morgan is in Mrs Ellingson's 2nd grade class. Morgan has a lot of interests. She loves to dance and is enrolled in Just For Kix. She also loves volleyball, loves to sing, gymnastics and any outside activities and then sing some more. She loves to entertain to whoever her audience may be. She loves crafts and baking. She is always finding a recipe or a craft for us to try. Morgan has a brother TeSean who is in kindergarten at Parkside. Her mom Randi is a waitress and works part time at Southwest Wholesale. Morgan lives with her grandparents Mike and Louise. Louise is a part owner in Southwest Wholesale and Mike is retired from the Lyon County Public Works. Morgan enjoys being part of Samuel and all the new friends she has met. We hope you enjoyed meeting the Blum family.

Mayday Mayday Mayday! Some of you will recognize this as a distress call. If you have ever watched an old war movie you have heard the radio man call out Mayday Mayday Mayday! In chapel today, Pastor Schreiner used that as the theme for his message. Our distress call is addressed to God who can help us. Most of you have probably heard that Rebekah Swanson, a third grader, the daughter of Gregg and Becky, has been diagnosed with Leukemia. Currently she is at Children's Hospital in Sioux Falls taking treatment. The family invites to you to follow her recovery on CaringBridge. The link to her site is <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/rebekahswanson>. We need to continue to keep Rebekah and her family in our prayers.

No School on Friday: Just a reminder we will not have school on Friday so students and their families can attend the track meet.

Track Meet: The track meet will be held this Friday beginning at **9:00 AM** in Sleepy Eye. Right now the weather forecast for Friday looks chilly but remember if the track meet has to be cancelled because of rain, there will be no school.

Help at Track Meet: We need parents who are willing to help with the field events at the track meet on Friday. If you are able to help for an hour or two with raking, measuring or timing, please let the office or Mr. Festerling know.

Grades One and Two Field Trips: On Monday, May 6th we will be attending the Teddy Bear Clinic at Avera Marshall Regional Medical Center. We will leave school at 9:30 and arrive back by 10:45. Students 6 or 7 years of age will need to provide their own booster seat. On Tuesday, May 7th we will be going to the Children's Museum of SD in Brookings, SD. We will leave by 8:30 and arrive back by 3:00. Each child is asked to bring his/her own lunch. A cooler will be available or your child may bring his/her own.

Pioneer Village: Grades 3 - 5 will participate in Heritage Week at the Pioneer Village in Montevideo on Friday, May 10th. We will be leaving at 9:00 AM and returning by the end of the school day.

Birthdays this month!!

Mrs. Flock-3
Paxton Schultz-7
Landon Lanoye-
Guerrero-16
MacKenzie Schultz-
17



Piano Recital: Please join Mrs. Knutson's piano students on Thursday at 6:30 PM for an evening of piano solos and duets.

Serving Committee for Concert: All students participating in the piano recital are asked to bring bars or cookies. Those on the committee for serving refreshments following the concert are Deanna Loeck and Lonny and Kathy Schultz.

PTF: At the PTF meeting this past Monday, Lori Schultz was reelected secretary, and Donna Wendorff was reelected as treasurer. Lori Biastock will take over as president. Thank you to Mike Prah who has served as president this school year. We are still in need of a vice president for next year. If you are interested in that position, please contact the office or one of the PTF officers. (Just a reminder, according to the PTF bylaws, "only members of WELS or ELS churches may hold elected office".) In other action, the PTF approved donating \$1000 to the Early Childhood fund, \$500 to technology, and also approved a gift of \$250 to each teacher to be used for their classrooms. These gifts and donations were made possible in part by the sale of the Hy-Vee and County Fair gift cards. The PTF has made a profit of over \$2000 from the sale of these cards since July of 2011. Thank you to all who support our Scrip card program!

Activities Banquet: Tuesday, May 7th we will hold our Activities Banquet beginning at 6:00 PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend this annual potluck supper. This banquet is hosted by the 8th grade parents but every family is asked to bring a main dish and dessert or salad and help with the clean-up. Please let the school office know if you will be attending.

Pop Tabs: Final weigh in for pop tabs will take place next Thursday, May 9th!

Band Concert: The band concert has been rescheduled to Wednesday, May 15th at 6:30 PM.

Garage Sale: The PTF of Samuel will be having a garage sale early this summer. (Tentative dates - May 31st and June 1st.) If you have any items you would like to donate, please consider saving them for our sale. If anyone would wish to help with organizing, pricing, item pick-ups, and/or advertising, please contact Charity VanKampen at 507-423-5290 or cvankam95@gmail.com. Watch for future announcements regarding dates for the sale and drop off times. Proceeds from the sale will be used for updates to the kitchen equipment at Samuel. Thank you.