

Christ's Love Calls Us - Share the Message



Cougar Chronicle

September 22, 2010

Upcoming Events:

Thur Sept 23
Grades 3-5 at
Elementary Field
Day

Sun Sept 26
8 & 10:30 am
Worship

Sun Sept 26
9:15 am
Sunday School

Mon Sept 27
4:15 pm Volleyball
match vs. Redwood

Thur Sept 30
4:00 pm Volleyball
match at Lynd

Kindergarten Visit to Holmberg Orchard: The Kindergarten class took a trip to Holmberg Orchard on Friday, September 17th. We couldn't go on a hayride because it was too wet and muddy and the tractor would get stuck. We walked on a rocky path between the trees. The lady told us there are more than 7,000 apple trees at the orchard and lots of different kinds of apples. We each got to pick an apple to take home. We saw pretend owls and boxes on tall poles. The boxes make LOUD noises. They help to keep the birds away so they won't eat the apples. They have a tall electric fence that keeps the deer away from the apples, too. After we looked at the trees, we went in a big, cold room. There were lots of apples in there. Some were in bags and some were in boxes. They keep caramel in there too so they can make caramel apples. Then we went into the next room and saw them washing the apples. They wash them 2 times-first in a big tub and then the apples get a shower and get scrubbed. Next we saw the machine that sorts the apples by size. Then the people put them in bags. We got to play in a boat filled with corn and we got coloring books about apples. We had apples for snacks and Mrs. Festerling bought caramel apples for us to taste. YUM! We had fun at the orchard. For more information and pictures check out the Kindergarten website.☺

Field Trip: Grades 3 – 5 will be attending the University of Minnesota's Southwest Research and Outreach Center's Elementary Field Day on Thursday. We will leave at 8:40 AM and return by the end of the school day. The students will participate in the following sessions: Prairie Winds Zoo, Perk Through the Pores, Food and Fiber – Facts and Fun, Electrical Safety, Farm Safety, and Plant Pals. Students do not need to bring a sack lunch since it will be provided by South Central and Redwood County Electric Cooperatives. **Please dress appropriately since the forecast calls for rain and this is held rain or shine!!**

Testing: Standardized testing will begin next week for students in grades 1 – 8. Be sure your children get plenty of rest each night and eat a nutritious breakfast before coming to school.

Birthdays this month!!



Rebekah Swanson
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Parade: Our school will have a float in the SMSU Homecoming parade on Saturday, October 2nd. If your child would like to ride on the float please fill out the permission slip that was sent home with your student today. We will line up by Independence Park between 10:30-10:45 AM. Your child will be dropped off back at Independence Park.

Vision/Hearing Screenings: Mrs. Flock will conduct vision and hearing screenings on Friday, October 8th. Please be sure your student has their glasses or contacts with them that day.

Flu Shot Clinic: Public Health Services will be at our school on Thursday, November 4th to provide 2010-2011 Seasonal Flu vaccinations free of charge for all students. A letter and consent form were sent home today. If you would like your student to receive the vaccine please return your consent form by October 15th.

Volleyball: On Saturday, September 18, the Cougar volleyball team played in the Redwood Falls tournament. In the first game we played New Ulm. Even though we lost we played hard and had fun. In the second game we played PLS 2. In that game we also lost, but we worked hard. In the third game we played Belle Plaine. This is the first win of our winning streak. The fourth game we played Nicollet. We won this game also for a record of 2-2 at the halfway point of the tournament. In the fifth game we played Mount Olive's second team. We won that game by playing well and aggressively. In the sixth game we played Mount Olive's first team and won. This team was one of the older teams and was tougher to beat. But we pulled it together and won. The seventh game was against Redwood. We beat them by a little. They were more our age. The eighth and last game was against PLS's first team and we won. Again we did not win by much, but we won with a record of 6-2. *Celeste, Samantha, & Abby*

On Tuesday, September 21, Samuel Volleyball played MACS. The first three games the older girls played and lost the first two games but won the last game. The first three games were the games where the younger girls didn't get to play a lot. But, in this game the younger girls got a chance to play. In their game they lost the first one, but came back and won the last one. Over just the past few weeks the younger girls have improved very much! We are looking forward to a good season for the Cougars. *Kalley & MacKenzie*

*Check out the pictures from Redwood on the school website under photo galleries.

County Fair Receipts: Please begin saving your County Fair receipts dated September 1, 2010 – March 31, 2011. Samuel school receives one point for every dollar spent. These points are redeemed for school supplies and equipment.

Save Those Sunny D UPC's: You have the opportunity to help each of the classrooms get 20 free books. All you have to do is buy Sunny D and send the UPC's to your student's teacher by **October 8**. It takes 20 UPC's for a classroom to get 20 free books. UPC's from the following bottles are eligible:

3 liter, 2 liter, 1 liter, 128 ounce, 96 ounce, 64 ounce, 48 ounce, or 16 ounce bottles

6.75 ounce, 6 pack, 8 pack, or 24 pack outer wraps

6.75 ounce or 12 pack cardboard case

11.3 ounce, 6 pack, or 24 pack outer wraps

12 ounce, 12 pack, or 24 pack cans outer wraps

The following **individual** bottle UPC's are **not valid**:

6.75 ounce, 11.3 ounce, or 8 ounce cans; 12 ounce cans