



# NEWSLETTER

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**January 2025**

## **Note From the Principal:**

Happy New Year! We are excited to be back, and we hope that your Christmas break was full of loving moments. May God continue to bless you in the New Year!

## **Reminder:**

Some of you have received notice about immunization updates for your child. If that is you, be sure to get those updates done quickly. Our immunization records are due to the Health Dept. on **Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>**.

## **Upcoming Events:**

The Spelling Bee for 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades is coming up on Friday, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. This event will be taking place at the school. Final spell-off and awards will begin at 1:30 for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1:45 for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2:15 for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>.

Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Report cards will be sent home.

## **Thanksgiving Coloring Contest Winners:**

Preschool – Kindergarten: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Sawyer Delay, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Ellie DeVos. 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Noah Risser, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Anniston Daley. 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Arielle Poole, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Madison Elliott.

## **Fundraising Notes:**

Be sure to stop by the office and pick up the blue collection bags for our ongoing bottle & can drive. You will also need the special sticker to apply to the bag so that they know to credit the school for them. You can either drop the filled bags at the Bottle Drop place on Rogue River Hwy (just go in and turn the filled bags in at the counter), or you can bring the filled bags back to the school and one of us will take them in. They do charge us for the bags so please take care not to lose them.

## **Thank you:**

We are so grateful for the extra help that has been given to us by some of our parents and grandparents. Your help is such a blessing to the staff and students. Blessings to you all!

## **Congratulations:**

## *The Students of the Month for November were:*

Preschool – *Avery Patton*

Pre – K – *Marleigh Cofer*

Kindergarten – *Charlotte Clary*

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – *Kyndel Young*

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – *Quinn Cotton*

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – *Logan Stobbe*

4<sup>th</sup> Grade – *Madison Elliott*

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grades – *Kimber Lackey*

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades – *Evie Bender*

## *The students receiving a Christian Character award for November were:*

Preschool – *Juni Risser*

Pre -K – *Amelia Haney*

Kindergarten – *Shepherd Risser*

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – *Lane Roy*

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – *Jameson Gerrish*

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – *Eli Risser*

4<sup>th</sup> Grade – *Gabe Lock*

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grades – *Caleb Hoyle*

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades – *Sam Johnson*

## **Preschool - Miss Bleeker**

I hope you had a blessed Christmas and fun filled break. I can't believe we are almost halfway through our school year and beginning 2025! Our new memory verse for this month will be "Be kind to one another." Ephesians 4:32.

We will be starting our "Hop on Reading" program this month. It will continue through February 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **Pre-K – Mrs. Dahl**

Welcome back, I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break! As we settle back into our class routine, we will be reviewing the vowels and consonants we have learned so far and then move on to new ones. I am pleased with the children's progress. Our next few letters are Dd, Gg and Rr. I appreciate your cooperation and dedication in helping your child with their memory verses and taking the time to listen to your child read blends and words at home. Reviewing the blend ladders with your child will greatly help them on the journey to reading. Soon we will begin learning sight words. Put simply, these are

words that cannot be sounded out phonetically and must be memorized. They are words used frequently, like the word, "the". We are counting to number 30 and your child should recognize numbers 0-10. Again, I ask that your child comes to school with a WARM coat as we will be going outside for some of our recesses, weather permitting. A few of the students have been cold at recess because they did not have a warm enough coat. Our new memory verse is "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me", Philippians 4:13.

#### **Kindergarten – Mrs. Kimzey**

We have almost made it halfway through our school year already. Time is passing so quickly. It is such a joy to get together to play and learn with our class each day. The Lord is blessing our time! We started our reading groups in December. We have 3 groups that take turns going into our cubby room to practice our reading in groups of 5 or 6. The remainder of the class does "seatwork" where they work independently at their desk. Mrs. Ayers supervises, but students are expected to sit quietly and only ask questions when necessary. The class is doing amazingly well adjusting to this new routine. It's amazing to hear them all starting to read.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Mrs. Hoyle**

Thank you to everyone who supported our students at the Christmas Variety Show. So many lives were touched that night by the words that our students sang out. God is already using them in big ways! We'll be starting our "Around the World" unit study in history. The students will get to "travel" around the world, visiting different countries. In Bible class we have been learning about the tower of Babel and in math, we have been learning about measurements. Please continue practicing subtraction facts at home. We are up to the 9's family. Thank you for all your hard work and love that you pour into your children! It shows in my classroom. I pray you all have a blessed year full of new beginnings, new chapters, and a newness of life.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Mrs. Garrett**

Happy new year and welcome back! During our Bible time we will be learning more about some of the healings Jesus performed as well as His authority. We will also be teaching the importance of the children knowing their own authority in Jesus. Some helpful things the students can be practicing at home include telling time on an analog clock and practicing their before and after numbers. Thank you!

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Mrs. Davis**

Happy New Year!

Our field trip to the Dutch Bros. roasting facility was super fun! The students really had a great time and learned so much about the coffee business and the dedication that goes into a great business.

The new year has begun, and we are about halfway through the school year. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class will be wrapping up "American History" and moving into our semester of Health and Science.

The students are excited about the Spelling Bee and looking forward to the rest of the year.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Mrs. Ellis**

Happy New Year! I hope that all of you had a wonderful Christmas holiday. Thank you for coming out to the Christmas Program.

We will begin the New Year by finishing our 3<sup>rd</sup> book report. In History we are learning about World War 1. In Science the class is learning about our ecosystem. I am looking forward to a New Blessed Year with the students.

#### **5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grades – Mrs. Violette**

First, I want to thank all who gave me a special gift. I felt blessed by your generosity. During the month of January, students will be learning about God's great universe. Students will be learning about constellations. In history, we will continue to learn about Africa and then move on to Europe. It is important that your child spends time studying the notes taken/given for upcoming tests. January's book report will be based on a sci-fi/fantasy book. For their report, students will have to construct a book jacket. Instructions and information are found in the book report packet. Our memory verse for this month is 1 Kings 2:3.

#### **7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. Kaily**

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break. Thank you all for the wonderful birthday and Christmas wishes you sent my way. The students sure made me feel special. This month in literature we will be reading *Redwall* by Brian Jacques. The book report for the month is non-fiction, 300-350 pages, and is due on January 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be a current event assigned on January 13<sup>th</sup> and due on January 21<sup>st</sup>.