

1st LUTHERAN SCHOOL

FRIDAY NOTE

March 9, 2018

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This weekend is one of my least favorite weekends of the year. Why? I dread losing that hour of sleep Sunday night as we spring forward into Daylight Savings Time. I understand that it is only an hour of sleep, but it always throws me out of sync for the next few days. However, I must admit that I enjoy the extra daylight in the evenings.

Today is the end of the Third Quarter and next week we will be having Parent/Teacher Conferences on Thursday, March 15. As a result, we will be **dismissing students on Thursday at 1:30 PM** for the start of their Spring Break. Today we have sent home slips giving appointment times for each student. Please ask your child for their appointment slip and then sign and return it to your child's teacher, so that they know that you are coming at your scheduled time.

PALS will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair next week. Profits from the 2 book fairs we have each year are used to purchase books for our classroom libraries and the school library.

We are continuing with our sale of Texas Roadhouse dinner rolls until Wednesday, March 14th. We profit \$3.00 for each dozen we sell! We hope to sell at least 500 dozen. Please help us by asking your friends, neighbors, and co-workers if they need some of those scrumptious rolls for their Easter dinner. (Order forms went home with each student Monday.)

Re-enrollment forms for the 2017-2018 school year were sent out in the mail several weeks ago. It is extremely important that those forms be returned as soon as possible. For effective planning for next school year, we need to

know how many students will be in each class.

We have another important event coming up that I would like you to put on your calendar. Achievement tests are just around the corner! They will be held April 23-27. It is extremely important that all students be here during the **mornings** those 5 days. Please check **now** to insure that your child does not have a doctor or dental appointment scheduled for then. If so, please try to reschedule them now. We do the majority of our testing in the morning; we begin promptly at 8:00 AM and most classes are done by 10:45 AM. Afternoon appointments should be fine. Having a child make-up a missed test is very difficult.

ACCELERATED READER

Today was the final day of the 2018 AR Reading Challenge and students all over the building could be seen finishing their last book and at the computers taking one final test. I have been extremely proud of their commitment to this task during these past 6 weeks. Up to the very end, our students continued to focus on accumulating points. As a school, we are currently ranked **3rd** out of the 55 Lutheran schools participating this year. Second Grade continues lead the way and are currently ranked **1st** among other second graders with a score of 74.93 points per student. Fifth Grade is also ranked **1st** in their division earning 56.85 points per student and Sixth Grade is 3rd in their division with 40.24 points per student. Fourth Grade has moved to 8th in their division at this point in the AR Challenge. Third Grade is 19th in their division and First Grade is in 26th. Our students cannot wait to see the **final standings** next week!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ELLIE FRIDDLE

Each school Geography Bee champion takes a written test upon winning the Bee in their school. One hundred school winners from each state proceed to the State Level Finals in April, based on their scores on a written test scored by the National Geographic Society.

Congratulations to Ellie Friddle! Ellie qualified for the State Geography Bee!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will be open for students to shop Monday – Wednesday from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. It will be open Thursday from 1:30 – 7:00 p.m.

FREE DRESS CODE DAY ~ THURSDAY

Thursday, March 15, students have a “free dress code day.” Our students earned this a Free Dress Day for topping another 1,000 Box Tops submitted.

CALENDAR

- March 12 – 15 Scholastic Book Fair
- March 14 Texas Roadhouse Roll Order Due
- March 15 1:30 Dismissal
Parent Teacher Conference
Roll Vouchers will be sent home
- March 16 – 25 Spring Break
- March 30 No School – Good Friday
- April 19 Operetta – *The Aristocrats*
- April 23 – 27 Achievement Testing
- April 30 Last Day for Registration Fee Discount
- May 15 Spring Concert
- May 20 Preschool & Kindergarten Program
- May 22 6th Grade Blessing
- May 24 Talent Show
- May 25 Last Day of School

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

I am so excited to be putting together the Daddy Daughter Dance this year. In years past each class was asked to bring to a specific item(s) to help keep cost at a minimum. To help keep from multiples of the same thing being bought for each class I will be sending home a sign-up sheet. Please

sign up to bring anything you are willing to purchase. I am asking that all items be turned in by Thursday, April 5. I will take inventory and go purchase items still needed.

I am looking for the following items to decorate with: lava lamps, fuzzy dice, bean bags, shaggy rug, Rubiks cubes, and bead panels. If you have anything that you are willing to let us borrow, I would greatly appreciate it and make sure it gets turned to you.

If you would like to help or have any questions, please call, text, or email me. Thank you all so much! Sara Freeman 479-651-0317 Sara.freeman00@gmail.com

First Lutheran School Daddy Daughter Disco



**Saturday, April 7
FLS Gathering Place
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

If Dad is unable to attend, please invite a special friend or relative to enjoy the evening.

We are looking forward to seeing all our beautiful young ladies with their Dads (or special friend) at the dance for an evening of fun and entertainment!