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2/1-2/3- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Tournament FLS

2/4-PK-1<sup>st</sup> grade Sing

2/8-2/10-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Tournament FLS

2/9—Salad Luncheon 11-1 \$10 adults/\$5 children

2/14- Valentine /Ash Wednesday

2/15-Kdgn-3<sup>rd</sup> grade to Poncan Theatre 1Pm

2/16 OK Teacher's Conv. NO SCHOOL

2/19-P/T Conf NO SCHOOL

2/22 Class Pictures/8<sup>th</sup> gr Pictures/ Spring Pics

3/8- Academic Bowl

The New Oklahoma School Voucher Tax Credit is in effect!

All our Pre-School 4 year olds to seventh grade students MUST APPLY (8<sup>th</sup> Grade optional) between December 6 to February 5 for the new year at <a href="https://www.parentalchoice.ok.gov">www.parentalchoice.ok.gov</a>.

The cost of the 2024/25 school year will be \$6000 per child. No financial changes will occur for this school year but you may be eligible for the State to pay.

Salad Luncheon: The Church ladies would love to serve your favorite salad at the luncheon. The more variety the better. They can be taken to the church kitchen on Feb 8<sup>th</sup> or handed off to a worker in front of the church on Liberty Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> from 8 Am-10Am. Join us for hot chicken salad and many others 11Am-1Pm for only \$10. Proceeds benefit the Guild projects. See you there!

**INK & TONER RECYCLING:** Help us keep your costs down! If you have a new or used ink or toner cartridge that you are done with, please send them with your student and the teachers will get them to the office. We recycle these and earn credit on the supplies that the school purchases each month. THANK YOU for your help with this!

Yearbook: Please send in photos of sporting events, class parties, and field trips!! yearbook@flcspc.com

ASH WEDNESDAY is on VALENTINE's Day this year. St. Valentine was martyred for his faith in our Savior. The chapel service will be a time of remembering our sins and the reason our Lord had to die for us. The preschool classes will not attend and the other students may opt out of having ashes put on their foreheads in the sign of a cross. YOU ARE WELCOME to join us! If you have any questions or concerns, please let any of us know.

**Principal--Mr. Birnbaum--** Welcome to the LAST DAY of January and wonderful weather. February is a short month, but we have an extra day this year. Next Wednesday is already mid-quarter again. Keep encouraging hard work in all aspects of life. Hopefully we will see you tonight for 8th grade basketball player recognition.

CARDINAL CARE – Heidi Daley: The signup sheet for Friday February 16th if you need daycare for that day please sign up in the entryway of daycare. There will be NO Daycare on Monday February 19th.

There is a lot of sickness circulating throughout the daycare. If your child is showing any signs or symptoms of any kind, please keep them home. This will help to prevent spreading. If you are not sure about your child and any symptoms feel free to reach out on brightwheel app to us. LIBRARY/Stem – Mrs. Manning: Hello! This week we are finishing our board game projects for STEM. The ELE/MS library has new books, so if you are still working towards an AR goal, come check them out! I hope everyone has a great week!

 $\beta$  MUSIC  $\beta$  – Mrs. Brey We have been talking about Encanto and Psalm 139. What! While these things don't go together, we've been discussing the emotions of the characters in the movie (music written by our composer of the month). We can often find ourselves feeling those same emotions,

and so did King David. Since his time, people have written music based on many of his psalms. We listened to a choir version of Psalm 139, and the students were able to point out the differences in the voices and the parts that were happening, and we also listened to a version by Caleb Gordon, which the kids enjoyed a lot!

**Religion**—**Mrs. Brey-** Students have a test tomorrow over Unit 5. Study guides were handed out yesterday and can also be found on Google Classroom. Memory work will be on Friday- Philippians 4:4-8

PRE-SCHOOL 3 – Mrs. Daine: We have started a new unit on dental hygiene. The following weeks we will cover health and hygiene of the whole body, using good manners, and being a good friend. Have a blessed rest of the week!

PRE-SCHOOL 4 – Mrs. Colvin-- February is here wow! This week we are continuing the L, K, U cluster, and name writing practice. We are having a food drive. You can send cans of food for the Church pantry, which helps our community. Also, each class is having a contest to see how many has the most! The Bible words this week are: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. Psalm 107:1. Have a great week!

PRE-KINDERGARTEN 5—Mrs. Kelly - Happy 100th day of school(tomorrow)! We will count cans tomorrow, so please remember to bring canned or box nonperishable food for the food pantry. Our 100-item show and tell is tomorrow. February Book It calendar is in folders today, the completed January calendar is due back to me by the 9th. Book orders are due online by Wednesday, the 7th. Our Valentine party will be on February 14th. Look for the note in folders and for the sign up on Class Tag. Our Bible words this week are, God loves us and sent his Son. 1 John 4:10 and Do not fear, only believe. Mark 5:36 We are finishing the letters Ll,Kk,Uu and all things 100. Have a Blessed week!

KINDERGARTEN – Mrs. Miller: -- This Friday is show & tell. Please bring something that will fit in your backpack. On Thursday, Feb, 1st will be our 100th day of school, so you may bring can goods until then. Monday was Dallas' birthday, happy birthday Dallas. On Feb. 14th, a Wednesday we will have a Valentine party at 2:30 and everyone is welcome to come. Also, on Thursday, Feb. 15th we are going on a field trip to the Poncan Theater to see a play of "Magic Tree House Pirates Past Noon" sorry but no parents on this trip. We will take the church van and each child will need to bring \$3.00 to school ASAP. Please look for the form in your child's backpack. If your child needs a booster seat, please provide one. Have a fabulous week!

FIRST GRADE – Mrs. Birnbaum— We welcome Amelia to our class! Memory verse for Friday is 1 Timothy 1:15 - Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Tomorrow (Thursday) is our 100th day of school! Our building is trying to collect 100 cans of food! Thank you to those of you who have brought in cans for us! Also, if you haven't done so yet - please bring in item or items for our 100th day of school trail mix! It's hard to believe that January is ending already, so that means that January reading logs are due for the Pizza Hut certificate! PreK, Kindergarten, and 1st grade are singing in Church on Sunday at the 9:00 service. I hope to see you there! If you want to order books from Scholastic, they are due by Feb. 7. A field trip form came home today for the Poncan Theater. Please return permission form with &3 as soon as you can. Spelling words this week are words with vowel diagraphs oe and oa. In Social Studies we will finish our unit on Beautiful America and in science we will start on unit on weather. Blessings on your week!

SECOND GRADE – Ms. Felton: Happy Groundhog Day on Friday! The students have written some fun groundhog fiction this week. New spelling lists were sent home in homework folders. This week's memory is the 4th Commandment and Meaning, next week is the 5th and meaning. It's coming up on mid-quarter, so your child should be about halfway to their AR goal. We are doing a food drive, so please send in nonperishable food items! Field trips: Feb. 15 to Poncan Theatre for Magic Tree House (no parents), then March 13 to Wichita for ice skating. We have started Little House in the Big Woods! Yay!! Math facts (addition and subtraction) are improving. Chocolate shops are taking shape for economics!

THIRD GRADE – Mrs. Steichen: This weather is AMAZING!! The kids have been going outside as much as possible and enjoying this great weather. Sorry for the muddy shoes! This week: Memory- 3rd Commandment and meaning, this is due by Friday. Spelling, Reading, Language, and Math Fact Quiz on Friday. Reading: We are making out way though Ivan and really enjoying it. Please ask your children what's going on so far. Science: Test TOMORROW. A review went home on Tuesday. We will start our animal unit next week. Social Studies: Test next week on Branches of the government. We will then move to a in class project for African America History Month. Book Report: This are due on February 23rd. I believe we have all picked a book, if you have any questions, please let me know. Glue: We are all running low on glue, please ask your child if they need a new one. Thank you! Permission Slips: Please get those back to me A.S.A.P. Thank you! Have a wonderful week!

FOURTH GRADE – Mrs. Sibley: What a beautiful blessing this weather is to us after the cold! We are working on long division now, with remainders. Continue to help the kids with the details, process, showing work, and questions kids have to ask themselves with long division. Following directions, especially for a new process is a good practice to have. They can do it! Keep practicing math facts and concepts. This helps to ensure that we have speed and accuracy for more difficult math problems, like the long division, and exponents! Our class has been chatty and unfocused recently, not just in the classroom. I know that a conversation at home will help as we are well into the quarter and needing to focus on doing amazing things. Our Valentine's Day Boxes are due on the 14th (look on a Friday letter for more info). We are now really ramping up academics as we are finishing out 4th grade, and preparing for the future. Mid Terms are next week! Some are really doing amazing things with AR, keep up the good work. Peace as we serve the Lord.

FIFTH GRADE – Mrs. Harbeson: - Happy Wednesday! The weather has been beautiful, and I hope you've been able to get outside to enjoy it!

We've entered Book Madness in the elementary school! We have sixteen books that are competing for the top spot of our favorite books this year. All second through fifth graders are listening and voting on their favorites. I'll keep you updated!

We finally have a week with full five days of school!

Here's what coming up... Memory: Romans 8:28 (reciting) due Friday

Math: Students completed chapter 3 math test. We'll be moving forward with chapter 4.

Social Studies: Chapter 4 test on Thursday Science: Dinosaur and fossil test on Friday Language: Simple and complex sentences

Reading: Continue reading Summer of the Monkeys; continue reading for AR goal

Spelling: Spelling test on Friday Blessings on the rest of your week!

## **Basketball**



Feb 1-3 4<sup>th</sup> Grade FLS 4<sup>th</sup> grade Tournament
Feb 5 JVG,JVB,VG,VB VS Dewey JVG 5:00, JVG 6:00, VG 7:00, VB 8:00
Feb 8-10 6<sup>th</sup> Grade FLS 6<sup>th</sup> grade Tournament
Jan 30-Feb 2 VG/VB HCAA Tournament VG/VB TBA
Feb 16-18 VG/VB Texas State Tournament -Tomball Tx
Mar 21-24 LBAA Nationals – Ft. Wayne, IN

**7**<sup>th</sup> – **8**<sup>th</sup> **MATH** – **Mrs. Stewart**8th Grade (Adv): We are finishing up Chapter 6 this week and will have a test on Friday. Please check with your student and make sure they are completing their homework. Since this has been an ongoing issue, I will no longer accept late work for credit.

8th Grade (Reg): We are finishing up Chapter 6 this week. We will have a quiz on Friday and a test towards the beginning of next week.

7th Grade (Adv): We are finishing up Chapter 6 this week. We will have a quiz on Thursday and a test on Friday.

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**LANGUAGE** – **Ms. Kester**: Grammar tests are tomorrow! Friday is reading day. After that, we'll jump into our book projects that will be in full swing next week. This consists of character monologues for sixth graders, posterboard timelines and debate teams for seventh graders, and film viewing followed by debate preparation for eighth graders. Toodles!

SCIENCE – Mrs. Porter-Cain: Hello Cardinals!! Can you believe that January is almost over?

In Science we are blazing trails! All grades will be testing over their current chapters soon.

7th Grade- test over Geology on Feb 1!

6th Grade- test over Cells on Feb 7!

8th Grade- Test over Creationary Science Feb 5!

We will also be doing labs! Lab days are:

7th Grad- Feb 2

6th Grade- Feb 2

8th Grade- Feb 6

The students love lab days so please try to have them here!

**P.E.--** In PE this week we have played ball tag and capture the cone and will play handball on Friday!

**BASKETBALL -** Cardinal Fans- come catch a game!!

Wednesday night is 8th Grade night! Come out and honor our wonderful 8th grade basketball players!

Kinley, Anniston, Claire, Ella, Cailyn, Michaela, Tay, Peyton, Adam, Landon, Maddox, Casey, Kellan and Jack. These athletes work hard all season, every season. They will be missed so much, but we know they will move on to be great assets to their high school teams and we cannot wait to watch them leave their marks on the world!

Monday- we played McCord at Home!

Tuesday- both varsity girls and varsity boys played their opening rounds in the HCAA Class 4A State tournament

Wednesday we will host Pawhuska at home. Games start at 5 with JV girls. JVboys will play at 6. 8th Grade night will take place after JV boys, V girls play at 7 and V boys play at 8.

Thursday- HCAA tournament continues

We also start our 4th grade tournament at home. Thurs- Saturday

Friday- Finals of the HCAA tournament

GO CARDS!!

**SOCIAL STUDIES – Mr. Brey**-- 6th: Students are focusing on the Western world for the majority of the rest of the year. We are starting the with Middle Ages and will be working our way towards the reformation later next week.

7th: Students will be learning about human-environment interactions this week.

8th: Students just got done learning about life during the civil war and General Sherman's impact. We will be reviewing the civil war this week and then taking a quiz on it next week.

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