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October 18, 2023

CARDINAL CHATTER

10/19	Rose Hill-4 th grade	10/26	—Freddy's Night
10/20	Parent/Teacher Conf. Half Day 11:20 Dism.	10/27	—OKC Theatre- 8 th grade
10/20	Family Fall Fest 5:30-7:30 PM. (See below)	10/27	—2 nd Grade to Leonardo's
10/23-10/27	—Red Ribbon Week (see below)	10/28	—Trunk or Treat 4:00-6:00 P.M.
10/25	Awards Ceremony 9:15 A.M.	11/17	—Paint & Praise (all ages) \$30

Oklahoma Parental Choice tax credit goes into effect January 1st.

More information can be found at the following websites.

www.everykidcountsok.org/blog/faqs-oklahoma-parent-tax-choice-credit

to learn more from Every Kid Counts Oklahoma (EKCO).

oklahoma.gov/tax/helpcenter/income-tax.html

to read about student funding and tax credit eligibility from the Oklahoma Tax Commission.

Family Fun Fest on Friday, October 20 from 5:30 to 7:30. Costume Contest- Must be present to win in one of four categories for children and adults: 1) Homemade Costume, 2) Sweet Costume, 3) Unique Costume, 4) Group Costume

Parents: Please Send the following with your child according to their homeroom:

Mrs. Daine: bag of smarties	3 rd grade: bag of Miniature variety pack Chocolate
Mrs. Colvin: bag of smarties	4 th grade: Case of 16 oz waters
Mrs. Kelly: Bag of Lollipops	5 th grade: Case of 16 oz. Pops—Dr. Pepper, Coke
Kindergarten: Variety candy packs	6 th grade: case of 24 oz Gatorade (no red ones please)
1 st grade: Variety candy packs	7 th grade: Cakes and Desserts
2 nd grade: bag of Miniature variety pk choc	8 th grade: Work w/ Room Parent for Concession Stand

Breakfast and Lunch Reminder: *Free Summer Lunches have ended so we have begun charging for Breakfast and Lunch. Accounts. These need to be paid regularly. You can set up auto payment by calling the school Office. Or send payments with your child to take to Ms. Lori in the office.* Breakfast costs \$3.00 for students. Lunch costs \$3.60 for students. Adults wanting to eat the costs are \$3.25 for breakfast and \$5.00 for lunch. Extra milk is 50 cents. **Also, no fast food or caffeinated drinks in the cafeteria, if you send them with your students, they will need to come to the office to eat. This includes in the mornings. Thank you!**

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!

Principal--Mr. Birnbaum—The bible is daily bread, not a cake for special occasions.

CARDINAL CARE – Heidi Daley: The weather is now cooler in the mornings and all ages still go outside to play, please send light jackets, and make sure their name is inside the jacket.

LIBRARY/Stem – Mrs. Manning--I hope everyone had a great fall break! STEM can still use donations such as craft sticks, solo cups, old Legos, or anything stem related! Next month is book fair! Be on the lookout for fliers closer to time. The book fair is a big undertaking that funds a large portion

of our school library. Volunteers for event days would be extremely helpful! If you are interested, please contact me via Fast Direct or call the office. Have a great week!

STUCO—Mrs. Harbeson-Red Ribbon Week is next week from Monday, October 23 - Friday, October 27. We will have the following dress-up days:

ECE Building: Monday - Crazy Hats Day

Tuesdays - Backwards Day (wear your clothes backwards)

Wednesday - Super Hero Day

Thursday - All-Out Pink-Out Day

Friday - FLS Spirit Day

Elementary and Middle School: Monday - Country Club vs. Country Day

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We will also be having a few competitions! **DOOR DECORATION CONTEST** Each grade is asked to decorate the outside of their classroom door using the theme, "Be Kind to Your Mind. Live Drug Free." Doors are to be decorated and ready for judging on Thursday, October 26. Student Council will come to each class during lunch to take pictures. Pictures will be posted on the school website and Facebook pages along with a google form for community voting. (Church members, parents, grandparents, friends, etc.) Students will also have the chance to vote as well. The winner will be announced on Wed., Nov. 1st during chapel. The winning class will receive an ice cream / extra recess party on a day and time that works for the winning teacher. **PENNY WAR**

Another competition will be a Penny War that will run from Mon., 23rd - Fri. - 27th. The "depositing" of coins in class buckets happens only between 8:10 and 8:20 each day. Pennies add points; silver and bills delete points so that means you'll want to put pennies in YOUR CLASS'S bucket and anything silver or paper in OTHER CLASSES' buckets. One winner per building. Each winning class will receive a donut party and extra recess that works with the winning teacher's schedule.

DAILY WINNER-Each student will receive a red bracelet to wear beginning on Monday, October 23 - Friday, October 27. Each day, stuco members will announce over the intercom one winner per building. If the student is wearing the bracelet and his or her name is called, they will win a prize (candy). StuCo will bring the prize to ECE building each day. Elementary and MS winners may pick up their prize in the office from Lori. If the student whose name is called is not wearing his or her bracelet or is absent, another winner will be called. Next week will be full of fun! We hope to see everyone participating!

♪ **MUSIC** ♪ – **Mrs. Brey:** We are spreading holiday cheer up here! We are diving into minor keys and spooky music to celebrate Halloween. Since Christmas is coming up, we are also spending time learning advent and Christmas music! Fourth and fifth grade sing in church on November 5th. Children's choir and middle school choir are singing in church on December 3rd. See you there!

Religion—Mrs. Brey- Sixth and seventh grade students have started their third unit, focusing on Samuel and King David. Memory work is still due every Friday that we have school - check Google classroom to find out what it is!

PRE-SCHOOL – Mrs. Daine: Happy Fall families!! The weather is definitely changing. Please send a jacket with your child daily and make sure their name is printed in it. We are learning the letter H, number 8, color pink, and learning about different leaf shapes! If you have not signed up for parent/teacher conferences, please message me asap. Have a blessed rest of the week!

PRE-SCHOOL – Mrs. Colvin: We had a great time at Pumpkin Pants, it was so much fun! I hope everyone had a nice fall break. Parent/Teacher conferences are Thursday and Friday. If you have not already Please sign up for them on our class tag page. We are starting a new Alphabet cluster this week- P, T, and I. The Bible words this week are: God says, "I am with you." Genesis 28:15. Have a fabulous week!

PRE-KINDERGARTEN – Mrs. Kelly: Happy Birthday KJ! I hope you all had a great Fall Break! We had a great time at the pumpkin patch! Report card conferences are on Thursday and Friday. There is a reminder in folders today for the time that you signed up, if you haven't signed up I am sending a time for you. If it doesn't work let me know and we can work something out. We dismiss at 11:10 on Friday. If you haven't signed up to help with our class booth at the fall carnival, please look on Class Tag and fill a slot. Book order is due to me or online today. Our Bible words this week are, The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. Hebrews 13:6 and God has wondrously shown His steadfast love to me. Psalm 31:21 We are learning the letter cluster Pp,Tt,Ii and the number 3 this week. Have a Blessed week

KINDERGARTEN – Mrs. Miller: -- I hope everyone had a great "Fall Break"! This week on Friday we get out early at 11:20. Also on Friday we have our Family Fall Fest from 5:30-7:30 pm. There will be a costume contest (Friday "Fall Fest") and you must be present to win. The kindergarten class needs to bring a variety candy pack for the fall fest. This week we will have our parent/teacher conferences and I am looking forward to seeing all the parents. During the conference I will give you the children's report cards. If you haven't paid your child's \$3.00 yet for the snow cone (we did this Wednesday/today) please send the money by Friday. Thanks for helping with the Fall Fest this week and have a marvelous week!

FIRST GRADE – Mrs. Birnbaum:--2nd quarter here we come! I hope everyone had a great and relaxing fall break, and now we are ready to get back to work! I am looking forward to meeting with you for our conference time! Remember, early dismissal on Friday! Memory verse for Friday is Philippians 4:4 - Rejoice in the Lord always: again, I will say, rejoice. Book orders are due today if you would like to order. Family Fun Fest is on Friday, please bring a bag of variety candy - thank you! Chapel offerings this quarter are going to St. Jude hospital in honor of Ms. Connie. Spelling words this week are ph and wh words. In Social Studies we will learn about the 7 continents and in science we will learn about motion and force. Next week we will have special dress days for Red Ribbon Week! Blessings on your week!

SECOND GRADE – Ms. Felton: Congratulations to the second graders on all of their learning during this first quarter and happy beginning of the second quarter! Thank you, parents, for signing up for conferences this week. If you did not sign up, I sent home an orange paper with your child with your meeting time on it. I'm looking forward to meeting with each of you! For memory this week is Psalm 23:1-2. Next week will be Psalm 23:3-4. We go to Leonardo's next Friday, October 27 at 9am! Our Halloween party will be on Halloween (Monday, 10/31) in class. Congratulations to all of the Second Grade Scholars for meeting their AR goals! Please turn in the \$3 for snow cones, \$2 for Halloween party pizza (to Honicks), and \$10/person for Leonardo's. Please order "Little House in the Big Woods," by Laura Ingalls Wilder (\$7 on Amazon, also on other sites or in stores) for your child. This week will finish our unit on government and democracy! Next is habitats! We are beginning math minute facts next week, along with the new homework folders. This Friday is Family Fun Night here at FLS - please sign up to help with our game, bring in bags of candy, and come enjoy the festivities with your family and friends!

THIRD GRADE – Mrs. Steichen: Welcome back and hello to the 2nd quarter! I am super excited to see where this quarter takes us. This week: No memory, I will send one home for next week. Spelling, Reading, and Language test on Friday. Remember Friday is a half day, dismiss at 11:20. Parent/Teacher Conferences: These are in full swing, I can not wait to meet with you all and brag on your amazing children. If you have not set up a time please do so! If a time on the list does not work, please let me know and we will work something out. Glue: We use glue so much in 3rd grade, some of us are running out. If you could please send a new glue stick that would me great. Family Fun Night: Please remember to bring your bag of assorted candy by Friday. Have a wonderful week!!

FOURTH GRADE – Mrs. Sibley: Hope you had a great, safe, relaxing Fall Break! We are in a short week as we have had a long weekend! Chapel offering is going towards children battling cancer at St. Jude in honor of Mrs. Connie Erickson. We also wore pink in her honor today. We have conferences this week. Make sure you sign up for a time if you have not yet! I can't wait to speak to each of

us at Parent Teacher Conferences this week. Remember we have a half day of school on the 20th. Thank you for your commitment for your child's education and success! I am so glad that First Lutheran and I are on your team to assist your child for their flourishing achievement. This is the first week of the second quarter; which means a fresh start academically. AR goals have reset after fall break. Rose Hill words are this week as well as Memory is by this Friday. We will leave no later than 8 am in the morning to transport back to 1910. See you Friday at Family Fun Night. Please bring in your cases of water! As the weather is making many changes, make sure kids are dressed appropriately for the weather. Blessings as we follow Christ's paragon example!

FIFTH GRADE – Mrs. Harbeson: Hello, 5th graders and families! I hope you had a wonderfully restful Fall Break! My husband and I made a quick trip to Colorado and saw all the beautiful fall colors! We have jumped into a busy second quarter, so here are a few things that are coming up: - Parent/teacher conferences are underway as you read this.

- School is out at 11:20 this Friday.

- Family Fun Night is this Friday from 5:30-7:30. Each 5th grade family is asked to bring 1 case of 16 oz. pop. You may bring them to my room.

- Next week is Red Ribbon Week with lots of dress-up days and competitions. Be sure to check out all the information in this week's Chatter.

- This quarter, I will begin implementing the late work policy that is stated in the Parent Handbook. (1 day late -10%; 2 days late -30%; 3 days late -50%; 0's for anything not handed in or handed in after 4 days.)

- 5th graders are beginning to memorize their lines for the upcoming Christmas Musical on Thursday, December 7.

That's all for now! Blessings on the rest of your week!

Middle School

7th – 8th MATH – Mrs. Stewart: 7th Grade Math (Reg): We finished the Chapter 3 test corrections on Tuesday and moved on to Chapter 4.

7th Grade Math (Adv) & 8th Grade Math (Reg): We finished Chapter 3 before fall break so moved on to Chapter 4 on Tuesday.

8th Grade Math (Adv): We finished the Chapter 3 test and corrections on Tuesday and will move on to Chapter 4 on Thursday.

LANGUAGE – Ms. Kester--Theater permission slips and money are due today for eighth graders!

Family Fun Fest is Friday, and parent-teacher conferences, too! If you have not yet signed up for a conference slot for your sixth grader, then do so today!!

Also, my homeroom has door decorating on the brain, as Red Ribbon Week is right around the corner. Additionally, our WoW will segue us into a scary-story read-aloud on October 31, complete with flashlights in the dark...spooky! Other than that, ELA classes are preparing for next week's test in Literature. As for you, enjoy the rest of your week!

SCIENCE – Mrs. Porter-Cain: Hello Cardinal families! I hope everyone enjoyed their fall breaks and I hope students are ready to get back to business!

Don't forget about parent/ teacher conferences this Friday! It is also our fall fest that evening! We hope to see everyone out for some fun!!

6th Grade will be moving into Mechanics and dynamics!

7th Grade- We will be starting Earth Science!

8th Grad- we are continuing with cells and functions!

BASKETBALL -- if your child is going to be ineligible, you will hear from me or will have already heard from me! Until you hear it from me, send them to practice!

Games will kick off on Nov 2!! Schedule was included with last weeks chatter! GO CARDS!

If you need the schedule ~extra's are printed in the office!

SOCIAL STUDIES – Mr. Brey-- 6th Grade will be exploring Greek civilizations this week.

7th Grade will be focusing on Middle Eastern History and current events this week.

8th Grade is about to start the "Westward Expansion" unit. All students will need a three-ringed

binder and a small journal by Monday. If this is an issue please fast direct me and we can figure something out.

Chess Club: Due to the dramatic drop in interest and attendance for Chess Club, we will be ending the chess club on 10/26.

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Reaching out with Jesus, Walking together in Jesus*

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2023/24 PTL AUCTION

Would you like to bid on any of these items for your child or grandchild at FLS?

Give us your best bid and return this form to the School Office by Thu. Oct. 26.

In the event of a TIE, the individuals will be contacted for an increased bid (or if possible, both will be given the item).

If you end up with too many items, you can let us know and we will go with the 2nd highest bidder.

\$80 Minimum Bid Required

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | A. Principal for a Day which includes lunch w/a friend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | B. School Secretary for a Day which includes lunch w/a friend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | C. Pastor's Assistant for a Day which includes lunch w/a friend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | D. Name the Street - South side of the church |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | E. Name the Street - East side of gym |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | F. Name the Cafeteria |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | G. Name the Gym court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | H. Movie Afternoon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | I. Cardinal Nest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | J. VIP parking space at the gym |

\$50 Minimum Bid Required

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | K. Librarian for a Day which includes lunch w/a friend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | L. Teacher for a Day which includes lunch w/a friend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | M. Lunch with a Teacher of your choosing w/a friend |

Your Name: _____

Your Child's Name: _____

Your Contact Information: _____

Watch the Chatter for the Winners.