

# Nydamnews

a monthly newsletter from Joel Nydam

## News & Updates

Dear Parents and Guardians,

There are some days that are extra special being out in the hallways greeting the K-6<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents as they enter the school. Today was one of those days! There was excitement, joy, laughter, and anticipation as students shared their Valentine's Day boxes and prepared for a fun day of reading.

I absolutely love seeing the creativity and joy of the students sharing their boxes. It reminded me, in a way, of the joy of our Father when he created mankind and said, "It is good."

It is good when joy is evident in our lives.

It is good when students have opportunities to be creative.

It is good when parents and teachers can partner together to teach children's minds, bodies, and hearts.

It is good when we can share God's amazing love with others.

It is good.

I encourage you to find opportunities this month to share your experiences of God's goodness.



## Upcoming Events

February 15: School closed, President's Day

February 16: School closed, Staff Development

February 18: 100<sup>th</sup> day of School Celebration (Kindergarten parade at 10:30)

March 10: Conferences 4:00-8:00 pm

March 11: Conferences 8:00-4:00 pm

March 14-18: School closed, Spring Break

March 23-24: Parent Art Day – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grades

March 25-28: School closed, Easter Break

April 7: End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

*Joke of the Month:*

*Q: What did the zero say to the eight?*

*A: Nice belt!*

*Books/Resources to check out... Facebook -*

[www.facebook.com/lcamnydam](http://www.facebook.com/lcamnydam)

*Parent Resource –*  
[www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/spiritual-growth-for-kids/who-am-i-your-childs-identity](http://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/spiritual-growth-for-kids/who-am-i-your-childs-identity)



# Life at Legacy

PreK had so much fun sorting and graphing Jelly Beans with their buddies! They loved learning about the letter J and math together. They also had so much fun wearing pajamas to celebrate filling up their bucket of kindness coins! Great job PreK!



The kindergarten students were thrilled to announce that they collected \$913 dollars to support Komeka for their Christmas Caring Project. They worked diligently to come up with creative ways to earn money!



1st grade and the Spanish class teamed up together to go on a school-wide scavenger hunt to find different colored shapes with their Spanish buddies. The kids had to say the colors in Spanish while their buddies recorded the color, shape, and where it was found.



In 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Mrs. McBroom's class had a traditional Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Feast before break. The kids loved celebrating Peanuts style!

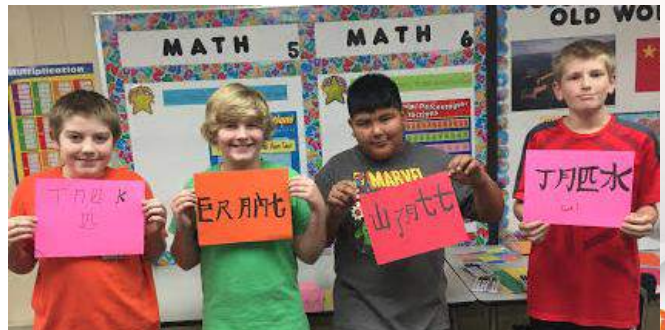


The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students received a thank you note from Samaritan's Purse for the money they collected to feed the hungry. They raised enough money to provide a week's worth of meals for 22 children and the elderly. It was very exciting for the students to see the little paper dolls go on the wall each time they raised \$7.00.

In 4<sup>th</sup> grade, they had seven visitors altogether for Bring a Friend to School Day. They had a lot of fun getting to know each other and the kids had a good time being hosts!



In 5<sup>th</sup> grade they have been busy wearing their editor hats for peer editing of their How to Write an Essay lesson. 6<sup>th</sup> graders put a creative spin on their names using the Chinese alphabet.



# Lunch Time Report

## Get to know our great lunch team!



**Pictured here:**  
**Mrs. Rasmussen, Mrs. Arenz,**  
**and Mrs. Beedle**  
**Not pictured:**  
**Mrs. Hoffman**  
**and Mrs. Smitsdorff**

Our fantastic lunch team keeps things rolling every day for all LCA students. Their hearts are set on Jesus and they do a great job loving our kids well. We decided to ask the team a few questions.

### **What is your favorite part of serving on the lunch team?**

**Mrs. Arenz:** One of my favorite parts of work is how much fun we have together. We have been blessed to laugh together as we serve. The lunchroom seems to be a place where the kids feel very comfortable and come to us for a variety of reasons. I love being there for them.

### **What's your yummiest indulgence (favorite food)?**

**Mrs. Hoffman:** Campfire Mocha from Caribou

### **Do you have any sweet or crazy stories of working with our kids at lunch?**

**Mrs. Smitsdorff:** One day a boy told me that one of his classmates did not have a lunch, but was too afraid to ask for help. This boy asked if I could find a lunch for his classmate! Such a demonstration of compassion!

### **What are some of the ways that the lunch team challenges and encourages the kids to walk out their faith?**

**Mrs. Rasmussen:** The younger kids are so sweet. I was once called a chef, and was asked if we baked the cookies. Often I'm told by many how "this is my favorite lunch"! The older kids are so thankful when they either forgot their lunch, or mom forgot to order them one and we are able to provide them with a lunch.

### **Which LCA hot lunch is your personal favorite?**

**Mrs. Beedle:** I love Mexican food!

### **What would be your ideal vacation?**

**Mrs. Hoffman:** Alaskan Cruise.

### **If you each could have a superpower, what would you want it to be?**

**The team:** Elasticity power (ability to stretch one's body like rubber) (Smitsdorff), stop sadness (Arenz), to be able to stop, slow, or reverse time whenever I want (Hoffman), to be teleported anywhere in an instant (Rasmussen and Beedle).