

Nydamnews

a monthly newsletter from Joel Nydam



News & Updates

Dear Parents,

November 1, 2019

We are already done with a quarter of the year and now my favorite months are ahead of us. I love November and December, not for the weather, but for the themes in each of the months. I love talking with students and my own girls about the importance of being THANKFUL. November reminds me of the many blessings that I have amidst the times that are difficult. Then December focuses on the gift we are most thankful for in Jesus!

One special day in November that we love to celebrate at Legacy is Veterans Day. We are so thankful for the sacrifice that many of you and your loved ones have made to serve in our military. We speak with the students on how thankful we can be for those who have fought for our freedom. We talk about the freedom of speech, the freedom to vote, many other freedoms, but especially the freedom to worship.

Lastly, Grandparents and Special Friend's Day was wonderful. This is one of my favorite days of the year seeing the love and joy your children have with those that love them. Thank you for supporting your child and for your partnership in your child's daily life! We love the students!



Upcoming Events

November 8: Veterans Day Program - You are invited to attend the program from 8:30 – 9:15 a.m. in the Meadow Creek Worship Center. We will honor those who have fought for our country and hear our special speaker share their life experiences.

November 21: 5th and 6th grade Band Concert and Musical. Please come and enjoy a special performance from our Beginner Band. Also, Danny and the Shacks will be the musical that is performed.

November 27 – 29: Thanksgiving Break

December 2: NO SCHOOL – Staff Development

December 3: NO BUSING – Please mark your calendars! Anoka Hennepin does not have school on Tuesday so we do not have busing on that day.

Joke of the Month:

Q: Why do fish live in salt-water?

A: Because pepper-water makes them sneeze.

Q: What kind of shoes do ninja's wear?

A: Sneakers.

Books/Resources to check out...

LINK

Here is a list of Apps that all parents and educators should be aware of.

Art & Technology



Mr. Andy Anderson: Art/Tech

Technology students have been busy sharpening their typing skills, diving into coding and learning more about the current activities taking place on the International Space Station. The past three weeks have seen our 2nd and 3rd grade students typing, learning their basic letters and finger positions. You can talk to them about this while visiting typingclub.com. 4th grade students are working through their first adventures in coding, using the fantastic site code.org. Ask them to show you their progress and you might just find yourself coding too! Our 5th and 6th grade classes have been following the recent 'space walks' being conducted by astronauts aboard the ISS. This past weekend NASA celebrated its first all-female space walk with astronauts Christina Koch and Jessica Meir. Students watched live footage of the astronauts as they held a press conference while aboard the ISS. Visit nasa.gov for more information.



Ms. Jayme Buchelt: Art/Tech

FOCUS: 1st Grade Technology:

The first graders have begun their Engineering Unit. They learned that not all technology revolves around using a laptop computer. Computers are a useful tool in creating a design for a structure but is not the only way to do it. We learned that engineers often create a three-dimensional model to test their design before beginning a final product. The first graders got to test their beginner's engineer mind by building paper structures that can support the weight and speed of a marble. These marble ramps could only be created using printer paper and tape. Great curiosity and imagination sparked in these students and they created very different but successful ramps!



PhyEd



Mrs. Cheryl Fregeau

PE and Health Teacher

October has been filled with soccer activities in Mrs. Fregeau's PE classes. Starting with Kindergarten all the way through 6th grade. Little kids love to run so when you throw in a ball it's a win, win situation!

To practice dribbling, trapping and passing skills the youngest students did activities like musical hoops, bulldog, croquet, soccer golf, soccer tag, soccer stations, and red light - green light. They practiced shooting on goal before playing mini-games. The older students moved more quickly into playing games. The 5-6th grade girls ended the unit with a peer assessment. Pictured below are the two kindergarten classes:



The end of the month we started our Fall Presidential Fitness tests which evaluates the five components of fitness:

- Flexibility
- Abdominal/Upper Body Strength
- Endurance
- Agility

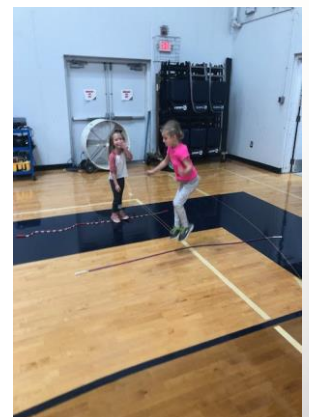
In the spring we will do these tests again to measure their improvement!



Mr. Todd Manske

PE and Health Teacher

This month in Mr. Manske's PE class, the PreK and Kindergarten students worked with jump ropes. We jumped over the raging river, made numbers and letters with our ropes, balanced on the ropes and tried jumping rope! They did a great job! The 2nd-3rd-grade classes worked on throwing, catching, and kicking a football. They also have been working on push-ups and sit-ups to get them ready for fitness testing in November! The tests will be sit and reach, pull-ups, shuttle run and sit-ups. We have also been playing some fun tag games and working on our cone flipping. The 2nd-3rd grade classes also did some jump rope activities. The 5th-6th grade classes finished up soccer this month and started our football unit. It has been hard trying to get outside to play some football games with all the rain we have been having but the boys are having a good attitude playing indoor football activities. The 5th-6th grade boys also ran the mile run this month so make sure to ask your son how he did!



Band/Choir



Band Director

The students in Music Tech class will begin working on creating their own "sound effects" that they will incorporate in to a news bulletin as if they are reporting on a story or incident. They will be recording their "news coverage" and then adding the original special effects.



But now bring me a musician. And
when the musician played, the
hand of the LORD came upon him.

2 Kings 3:15



Choir Director

PreK - 4th Grade *"Wherever you lead me I'm gonna follow. I'M TRUSTING YOU GOD, You are good!"*

I'll bet many of you parents have heard these words being sung at home or in the car lately! These lyrics came from the theme song of our recent Grandparents and Special Guest Day program last Friday. PreK-4th grade spent the month of October preparing their songs for this special day. During this journey, students discovered the musical patterns and form of their class songs. What a joy to share songs of TRUSTING in God with our guests!



Grade 1 Miss Kubly's class - Rehearsal

5th - 6th Grade "Danny & the Shacks" Musical - A Hallmark Experience.

The cast is chosen and the students are hard at work learning music, lines, and choreography for their Fall Musical! Music, drama, and creative arts can play a powerful role in giving our children a strong foundation in faith. Please pray for our students as the countdown to their performance is on!

Wednesday, 11/20: 8:15 - 9:00 a.m. - Meadow Creek Worship Center

- *Dress Rehearsal* during Chapel

Thursday, 11/15: 7:00 p.m. - Meadow Creek Worship Center

- *5th-6th Program* featuring the LCA Lion Band & the musical



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Media Center



Media Center Specialist

Preschool and kindergarten spent the month of October reading books and doing projects related to pumpkins, monsters, owls, and scarecrows. We read *The Little Old Who Was Not Afraid of Anything*, *Love Monster*, *Monster Needs His Sleep*, *Little Owl*, *Spookley*, and *Bedtime for Monsters*.

1st grade has spent the last two-week studying two different authors, Leo Lionni and Else Minark. We also studied fiction and nonfiction books about spiders.

2nd grade learned about Peggy Parish's books Amelia Bedelia. We learned the difference between an idiom and figurative speech.

3rd grade is reading *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* and creating a WORDLE of favorite characters.

4th grade did an excellent job creating a book character pumpkin for display at the Rum River library!

