

Nydamnews

a monthly newsletter from Joel Nydam



News & Updates

Dear Parents,

March 2, 2019

What a great month of February we had! The PreK students celebrated a special person at the Love Tea, the K – 4th grade students read like crazy for Legacy Loves to Read month, the 5th grade students demonstrated their learning through the Heroes of the Faith Wax Museum, and the 6th grade students are preparing for a busy March with their Pizza Ranch work experience learning. The chapel theme this month also focused on Love and how we can show God's love to others as he demonstrated His love to us.

This month we also have the PreK – 4th grade music program on Tuesday, March 10th at 7:00. The students have been working hard to showcase their God-given voices!

Lastly, our 4th grade students are heading to Biz-Town on Monday, March 2nd. This is a great time for the students to demonstrate their learning as they operate a town for the day. This is run through Junior Achievement, a program that volunteers have been teaching at Legacy in grades 2nd – 5th grade.



Upcoming Events

March 2nd at 6:00 - Reading Challenge Jump!

The students made it!!! They read 116,155 minutes! Mr. Nydam and Mr. Mulvihill will be jumping into Crooked Lake around 6:15. There will be a live feed and some fun activities that evening. Feel free to come watch this live or enjoy it from the warmth of your own home. More information will be sent out on Monday.

March 10th – PreK – 4th grade Music Program

March 13th – 22nd Spring Break – Enjoy some great time with your family!

April 3rd – Legacy Gala – Please mark your calendars for an evening of fun and fellowship as we celebrate the great things God is doing at Legacy!

Joke of the Month:
Q: How does a penguin make a house?

A: Igloos it together!

Q: How do you make a lemon drop?

A: You just let it fall!!!

Books/Resources to check out...
What is Junior Achievement of Upper Midwest and BizTown?

[LINK #1](#)



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Art & Technology



Mr. Andy Anderson: Art/Tech



Ms. Jayme Buchelt: Art/Tech

Stop animation update! 5th & 6th grade technology students have been wrapping up their stop animation movies! Mark your calendars for Thursday night, April 23rd as we highlight our band, choir, art students and technology students for an evening showcase. Stop animation movies will be on display as well as the thaumatrope animation devices.

Make plans to join us!

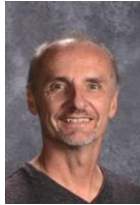


FOCUS: 7/8th Grade Art

One of the most challenging aspects of art is learning how to draw in proportion. Proportion is the idea of drawing something representative, or drawing it exactly how it looks. The 7th and 8th graders were challenged with the project of drawing a celebrity portrait. They learned about adding value, line and texture which are some of the elements of art. After succeeding in their value practice, they learned about the grid method. The grid method is the method of drawing a picture using a grid. The students learned how to find the lines they needed to draw in each square and then move along to the next square, etc. The end result would be a proportionate representation of their chosen celebrity with full value.



Band/Choir



Mr. Rudzitis: Band Director

This week we started working with a new group of students whom are learning some basics about Garageband. Many students are already capturing basic concepts and are ready for the next challenge. Currently, they are working on creating a 30 second fictional "News flash", or "News Bulletin." Some are "capturing the moment" at the scene of severe weather while others are reporting on some incident that happened. After writing and recording the narrative with another student, they will add music as a "bed" underneath the reporting and then add some "special effects" to add to the broadcast.



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: Mrs. Gerber

PreK - 2nd Grade: February is an awesome month to celebrate special holidays and music. For Groundhog's Day, we sang "I'm a Little Groundhog" and talked about how the groundhog's heartbeat is very slow when they are hibernating and faster when they wake up. In music, we call this tempo. Valentine's Day and President's Day were great days to sing about and grow in our music skills.

3rd-4th Grade: Students are working hard to earn their Recorder Karate belts. Legacy has its first official Black Belt! Please encourage your son or daughter to spend 5-10 minutes daily working on their recorders. Students are working at their own pace and receive music for the next level when they pass a belt. Below is a list of the songs for each belt level. The following Youtube Channels are great for students to practice with at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/RPESrecorder>

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLzPP1Evz0WkQkPXMjWk0c64KPBssoljyg>

5th-Grade: Students continue to build skills in their music reading of rhythm, solfege and are busy creating ostinatos (repeated patterns) to accompany the song "Peace Round." The use of syncopated rhythms has filled our classroom with energy as we sang "Hill & Gully" from Jamaica. Lastly, the students have started to sing an arrangement of 2 songs from the Underground Railroad that give us insight into how hard the journey was for slaves to find freedom in the North.

6th-Grade The month of February was filled with lots of fun researching the lives of famous composers. Who is your favorite composer?



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Mrs. Cheryl Fregeau: PE and Health Teacher

Our PE Department has been so lucky to have Ham Lake Bowl, a local business, bless us each year by delivering 6 colorful bowling carpets and pins so that we can do a bowling unit. We start learning the correct grip, arm swing and follow through in Kindergarten and then add the one step approach in 1st grade. 2nd graders are using the three step approach and by 4th-6th grade, the five step approach. The younger students work some math addition into PE and record their scores. We add in the Bowling Dice Game for warm-ups, Bowling Bingo, Dot Game and Bowling Candyland.

The other unit we have been working on the end of February is basketball. This picture is of 5th grade girls playing a shooting game called Shoot, Solve (math equation), and Stack.



Mr. Todd Manske: PE and Health Teacher

During the month of February, Mr. Manske's PE classes did a wide variety of activities. The PreK-3rd grade classes played Scoops, Bowling, Battleship, and Polo Stick Hockey. Next month we will be starting fitness testing and have a yo-yo unit!

The 5th-6th grade boys also played Battleship, Lacrosse, and scooter races/activities. Next month, they will also do fitness testing and yo-yo's.

All the classes have been working on upper body strength, so encourage your children to keep doing push-up, pull-ups, planks and stomach exercises at home!



Media Center



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I LOVE TO READ MONTH: Pre-K through 4th grade spent the month of February reading Dr. Seuss books! We created ears for *The Ear Book*, socks for *Fox In Socks*, images of a real life Lorax from the *The Lorax*, cats in the hallway for *The Cat In The Hat The Movie*, eating green eggs and ham, counting books read, decorating the truffula tree in the library, and snacking on truffula seeds! It was a successful month of reading and creating!

