

The Eagle's Cry

February 18, 2016

Nurturing students spiritually, emotionally, and academically.

HOT LUNCH

Thursday– Beefy Nachos, Corn, Fruit cocktail, Ice cream

Friday– Pizza, Carrots with Ranch, Apple Slices

Monday– Sloppy Joe on a bun, Chips, Corn, Fruit, Brownie

Tuesday– Chicken fiesta salad w/tortilla chips, Orange slices, Cookie

Wednesday– Baked pasta w/ meat sauce and cheese, Green beans



Don't forget to like us on facebook!

Principal's Pennings by Mrs. Arndt

Do you have an inkling of what your children will be when they grow up? As teachers look over their children in the classroom, they sometimes wonder what their "charges" will do when they reach adulthood. Will the studious ones become the teachers, lawyers, or doctors? What will become of the class clowns? Those of use who have taught for several years, long enough for some of our students tot grow up and have careers and families of their own, can tell you that there are surprises, and most of them very pleasant surprises.

I remember "Tommy: who is probably well into his 40's by now. As a 4th grader, he was built like a cuddly teddy bear, had a soft heart, and was quite sensitive. Then there was the side of him that was mischievous, and he always had a twinkle in his eye that made you wonder what he'd been up to! He never took life too seriously and seemed to see humor in everything, He wasn't a bad student, but certainly did not strain himself too much at age 9 doing his school

work. Being quite intelligent, he could "get by" without too much effort, and getting A's was not a priority. Enjoying life was a priority.

Maybe you can imagine my surprise when, years later, I went to a Christian book store and found a devotion book written by Tommy. Yes, it was the same mischievous student I taught years ago. When reading about the author, I found out he holds a master's degree in communications, is an active speaker, and has published poetry and children's stories. WOW! His picture was also there. I think I might have recognized him even without the name. He hasn't changed much, except for looking older with a beard and a mustache.

Did I understand his potential years ago when dealing with the mischievous side? Probably not. It taught me a valuable lesson though. Every child we teach is a work in progress. Even when they "mess up," it may be a valuable lesson



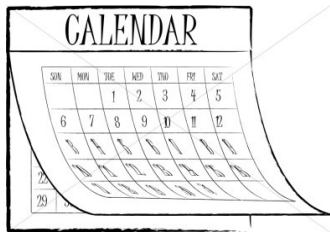
for them, one that is training them for God's plan to be pastors, teachers, store clerks, secretaries, housewives and mothers, you name it– each a valued and productive member of society. The exact part we play in their lives as parents and teachers may remain a mystery, but these children are to be respected as God's special handiwork, one not yet completed, but children who are very much a part of God's plan.

By the way I would look forward to hearing Tommy give one of his talks or presentation. I would expect the humor displayed years ago makes him an interesting speaker today!

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LAST WEEK AT MLA.....

- Students enjoyed Valentine's Day parties.
- Kindergarten and 1st graders were treated to a field trip to the Nelson Art Gallery.
- Auction planning continues!

LOOKING AHEAD.....

- Feb. 21-Open House
- Feb. 24- Chapel Family Activities
- Feb. 25- Jump Rope for Hearts Assembly- 10:00 am
- Feb 28- K-8 sing at St. Stephens 10:30 am
- Mar. 11- End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar. 12- Auction
- Mar. 13- K-8 sing at King of Kings 10:30 am
- Mar. 21-28 Spring/Easter Break

Come Support Our MLA Daisy Troop

The MLA Daisy Troop #1493 will be selling Girl Scout Cookies at two locations during February and March. A portion of the sales will go toward the costs of sending the scouts to camp this upcoming summer for four days.

The schedule for the sales is:

February 20 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at

True Value Hardware
2300 Kentucky Avenue
Platte City, MO 64079

March 6 and March 13 from 12:00 pm to 2:pm at Jo-Ann Fabric and Crafts
2201 NW Barry Road
Kansas City, MO 64154

If you would like to purchase cookies, but can't come to either of the sales, please email your request to mlagirlscoutstroop1493@gmail.com



ENROLLMENT LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT HOME.

Dates to remember:

*Registration fee prior to March 15 - \$150/student

*Registration fee from March 16-May 15 - \$200/student

*Registration fee after May 15 - \$300/student

Athletics



The boys basketball party for the players will be February 20th.

Please contact Tatum Epperson for details.



Track will begin in March, details will be coming. Please make sure if your child would like to participate, they have their physicals completed. If your child has played a sport this year and had their physical done, for that sport, they are good to go.

Mrs. Engle, Athletic Director

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SINGING ENGAGEMENTS TO ASSOCIATION CHURCHES

February 28 – St. Stephen's, 10:30 am

March 13 – King of Kings, 10:30 am

April 24 – St. John's, Farley

We appreciate your efforts to get your children to these churches so that we can be a part of their worship service on these dates. These churches contribute both prayerfully and financially to our school, and we appreciate the opportunities to be a small part of their congregation.

Auction News



Tickets to the Auction are disappearing quickly– we are now more than 75% sold for the evening and may not have tickets available the evening of the event. There are three ways to order tickets: return your RSVP card, complete a ticket order form available at the association churches or in the school office and return that to the school with payment, or send an email request to auction@martinlutheracademy.org.

Limited tickets are also available for the kids night out activity associated with the auction at www.eventbrite.com/myevent?eid=21684628307 It will be located at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church which is located less than a block away from MLA. Mr. Meier, one of our after school care employees, will be in charge of the activities at kids night and we will have several helpers on hand. We will be taking free will offerings and a portion of the donations will help fund the 7th & 8th grade trip this spring to St. Louis.



A popular feature of our auction last year was kids night out and it will be returning this year!

As a reminder, we are still collecting auction items and need your help! Do you have items or ticket packages to donate? We are offering an opportunity to win a \$50 scrip card from the office for donations brought in during the month of February. Let's get our Royals on!



A sign-up genius will be sent soon regarding our needed volunteer staff for the night of the auction. It will include positions for the wine table, silent auction room monitors, cashiers, and more. All positions will have a break in duties to allow for dinner and time to enjoy the festivities as well as bid on items. We would love to have your help!