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#### RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

- The first and second graders are learning about Buffalo Bill Cody.
- The kindergarteners learned about and investigated the sense of smell. Did vou know our brains remember smells not our noses?
- The third and fourth graders played a chemistry game in which the students were atoms that formed covalent bonds.
- Miss L. Laubenstein's students made origami avroscopes which thev decorated with achromatic texture.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Mar 5 - Fish Fry

Mar 12 - Fish Fry

Mar 14 - Academy Choir sings Daylight Savings starts

Mar 15 - Emma Raffa's birthday Daylight Savings starts

Mar 16 - Board of Ed. meeting 6:30pm

Mar 19 - End of 3rd Quarter

Mar 22 Parent / Teacher

and 23 - Conferences. Report Cards are distributed

Mar 29 - Levin Renner's birthday

## **LEARN-BY-HEART** CATECHETICAL **WEEK 26**

#### Verse:

2 Timothy 3: 16

#### Catechism:

Table of Duties- To Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers 1 Timothy 3: 2-4, 1 Timothy 3: 6, Titus 1: 9

#### Leaders:

Verse: Kali W.

To Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers: 1 Timothy 3: 2-4 Edith H.

1 Timothy 3: 6: Sarah U.

Titus 1: 9: Sarah B.

#### FROM MRS. MAY:

Please sign up NOW if you are planning to attend the 10:30 am Divine Services on March (Academy Choir) and/or March 28 (Academy and Cherub Choirs). Sign up is no longer required for the 7:45 am service but individuals are still asked to register for all other service times.

### AND THE WINNER IS...

THE GIRLS! The penny war is over and the girls were victorious for the second year in a row. Thank you to everyone who supported their children in the battle and helped to bring some excitement to a dreary time of year. \$215 was raised and will be donated to a family in need within the congregation.

#### ON THE CLASSICAL **BOOKSHELF**

Anthony Esolen, from "Quality Education is Not Rocket Science," Memoria Press Jun 7, 2019

"There is no reason to turn up our noses at [recitation], to sneer at it as "mere" memorization. Actors commit hundreds and hundreds of lines to memory. Is that "passive"? Singers commit hundreds of songs to memory. Is that "uncritical"?

One of my favorite professors in graduate school grew up on his grandfather's farm in Saskatchewan, back in the days when a wheat farmer would spend long hours behind the plow. He told us that his grandfather's neighbor sometimes spent those hazy hours reciting Milton's Paradise Lost. He had gotten it by heart.

Notice what great difference there is between the phrases "learning by rote" and "getting something by heart"? You cannot do such a thing without considerable intelligence and love.

Ah, that is but one thing, the care and strengthening of the memory, that we all know is good and a worthy object for school, though for fifty years we have been cowed by the educational "experts" into believing that it is contemptible, simplistic, ineffectual. backward. and continued on page 2

## A TOURNAMENT OF LETTERS

The Tournament has commenced! March is the perfect time to instill in your child a love of reading for pleasure and the Tournament of Letters is the perfect opportunity. Encourage your child to read for pleasure a little bit every day and record that time. At the end of the month, turn in your logs for prizes and recognition! Complete information additional logs are available on the QuickSchools Parent Portal.

# IT'S CONFERENCE TIME AGAIN

The third quarter closes on Friday, March 19 (one more quarter left before summer vacation). Since conferences are scheduled for the following Monday and Tuesday, report cards will be distributed to parents at the conferences.

As a reminder, the teachers have asked that your child accompany you to his/her conference. Should the teacher need to speak with you alone, your child may step out into the hall for a few moments.

Conferences are scheduled in fifteen-minute blocks with homeroom teachers only. If you feel that fifteen minutes will not be enough, please alert Laura Ferguson. If you feel a need to meet with any of your child's other teachers, please contact them directly to schedule separate meetings.

#### **CLASSICAL BOOKSHELF**

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So we end up with sixth graders who are supposed to solve simultaneous linear equations, but who do not instantly see that fifty-four divided by six is nine, or that twelve percent of ninety-four is going to be a little less than 12.

What I'm trying to say here is simple enough...Do not be played for chumps! This is not quantum physics. Children learn naturally, and if they are treated well they will learn most things with ease. What requires practice. requires practice. and though that is difficult in one sense- you have to do the math, you have to diagram the sentences, you have to commit the declensions to memory- it perfectly straightforward. You know how to do it, and you know when you've done it.

### **FISH FRY SCHEDULE**

The fish fry coordinators, recognizing the higher demand for fish that accompanies Lent, have scheduled Peace Lutheran Academy fish fries for every Fridav during Lent. If you are interested in helping in any way, don't hesitate to contact John Bender. The sale is two hours. the work is well-organized, and all volunteers have the opportunity to gather for a meal together at the end. If you are not volunteering, consider picking up a fish dinner for the family!

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The Annual Goods and Services Auction has been rescheduled for *Saturday, June 19, 2021* and will be held on campus. Watch for more information!

#### **EASTER GIFT IDEAS**

Does the Easter Bunny visit your home? Do you traditionally gift Easter gifts to your children or other children that you love? Consider books! Unlike the Scholastic Book Club, Ignatius Book Club offers ageappropriate classic books and books of faith without any social or political agendas. As a bonus, for every order that is placed using our code, the Academy receives points. Those points can be redeemed by us for books and/or other educational items.

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